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Summary

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Biography

Professor Paula Giliker has held the Chair in Comparative Law at the University of Bristol since 2008. She is a graduate of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge (BA 1989, BCL 1990, PhD, 1994) and a qualified Barrister and Solicitor. She has taught at Queen Mary, University of London and was Senior Law Fellow at St Hilda's College, Oxford and CUF Lecturer at the Faculty of Law, Oxford. She is also a Visiting Lecturer at the Universities of Hong Kong and Valencia.

Paula teaches and researches in the law of contract and tort, in particular the comparative law of obligations and has published widely in all these fields, including the popular textbook, *Tort* (7th ed., 2020) and contributes to leading practitioners' text, *Clerk and Lindell on Torts*. She is currently researching in the fields of vicarious liability in tort and European contract and tort law. Her recent publications include *The Europeanisation of English Tort Law* (Hart, 2014), 'The influence of EU and European human rights law on English private law' (2015) 64 ICLQ 237-265, 'Comparative law and legal culture: Placing vicarious liability in comparative perspective' (2018) 6 CJCL 265–293 and 'Analysing institutional liability for child sexual abuse in England and Wales and Australia: Vicarious liability, non-delegable duties and statutory intervention' (2019) 77 CLJ 506-535. She is also the editor of the *Edward Elgar Research Handbook on EU Tort Law* (2017).

Paula is Honorary Secretary of the Society of Legal Scholars of the UK and Ireland (SLS). She is also a former President of the British Association of Comparative Law, member of the Editorial Board of the *International and Comparative Law Quarterly*, chair of the European Law Exchange Network and an Associate Member of the International Academy of Comparative Law. She is also the former Convenor of the SLS Comparative Law Subject Section.

Paula welcomes PhD applications in the field of tort law, comparative private law and European private law.

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