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From Runway to Regulation: Understanding the Legal Ecosystem of the Fashion Industry

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From haute couture runways to fast fashion retail, the dazzling fashion world operates within a complex web of legal and regulatory frameworks. But what exactly constitutes "fashion law," and what are the pivotal legal issues that shape this multi-trillion-dollar global industry?

In this presentation, Professor Calboli discusses her recently co-edited *Handbook of Fashion Law* to draw insights on the multifaceted legal landscape impacting the fashion sector. In particular, she will delve into the critical application of intellectual property (IP) rights to protect fashion creations and the exceptions and limitations to this protection to promote innovation and competition in the industry.

Join us for a discussion that unpacks the multidisciplinary and multi-jurisdictional dimensions of this rapidly evolving field, offering a deeper understanding of the legal forces shaping fashion creation, distribution, and consumption in the 21st century.



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