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UNDERCOVER POLICING IN THE US, GERMANY, ITALY, AND FRANCE

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Undercover policing provides unique access to the inner workings of criminal organizations, and tips off law enforcement about planned crimes. But undercover policing, some tactics of which have raised legal questions, also poses special risks. Based on interviews with police, prosecutors, and judges, Jacqueline Ross compares how the United States, France, Germany, and Italy differ in addressing these challenges. Why, for example, does the United States resort to undercover policing far more readily than Europe, where court systems grudgingly tolerate its existence while fretting about its legality? And how does the process of regularizing covert practices and opening them to scrutiny transform them?

Professor of Law **Jacqueline Ross** is co-director (with Maximo Langer and Kim Lane Scheppel) of the UCLA-Illinois-Princeton Comparative Law Work in Progress Workshop. Together with Thierry Delpuech of the Centre National de Recherche Scientifique, she organizes transatlantic seminars on intelligence-led policing and local security partnerships. Ross completed her BA and JD (both with honors) at the University of Chicago, where she was an articles editor for the *University of Chicago Law Review*. She served as law clerk to the Honorable Douglas H. Ginsburg, US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and spent nine years as an assistant US attorney in Chicago and Boston, where she acquired extensive federal trial experience. Ross also taught in the law schools of Columbia University and New York University.

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