

# Sustainability, Natural Resources & International Law

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University of Cambridge Law Faculty Room LG17

Interested in International Law, Sustainable Development or Natural Resources Governance? Hoping to hear from World-Class Experts on Recent Trends, Challenges & Innovations?

Join us for two fascinating and interactive international law experts panels, with intervenors from around the world, on recent trends in:

*The Principle of Sustainable Use of Natural Resources in International Law:*

How is the principle of sustainable use of natural resources, as expressed in the 2002 ILA New Delhi Declaration and the 2012 ILA Sofia Guiding Statements, being reflected in international law? How is the principle being expressed in treaty instruments? How is it being taken into account by courts and tribunals?

*The Rules & Practices of International Law for Sustainable Resources Management:*

What are the rules of international law for sustainable management of key resources? What instruments are proving most effective? How are the rules changing practices on the ground in different countries towards achieving the sustainable development goals.

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## Sustainability, Natural Resources & International Law

Preceding the 78th Biennial Conference of the International Law Association (ILA) in Sydney in August 2018, the ILA Committee on Sustainable Resources Management in collaboration with the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law and the Centre for International Sustainable Development Law is hosting an expert panel event on the role of international law in sustainable resources management.

The importance of natural resources to global economic growth means that disputes over the control and exploitation of natural resources have become ubiquitous: triggering social unrest, political instability, and armed conflict. At the same time, the exhaustion of natural resources is inherently linked to environmental degradation, poverty and human rights violations. Effective governance and management of natural resources is thus a pressing international concern. During two interactive and dynamic panels, world-class legal experts from the ILA consider the international legal framework governing natural resources with view towards fostering research collaboration and knowledge transfer.

### 14:15 Welcome and Opening Address

Prof Eyal Benvenisti, *University of Cambridge, UK & Director, Lauterpacht Centre for International Law (LCIL)*

Prof Nico Schrijver, *Leiden University, Netherlands & Chair, International Law Association (ILA) Committee on Sustainable Resources Management*

Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger, *University of Waterloo, Canada; Senior Director, Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL) & Affiliated Fellow, LCIL*

### 14:30 – 15:45 The Principle of Sustainable Use of Natural Resources in International Law

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Chair: Prof. Nico Schrijver, *Leiden University (The Netherlands)*

Prof Freya Baetens, *University of Oslo Faculty of Law (Belgium)*

Prof Damilola S Olawuyi, *Hamad Bin Khalifa University (HBKU) (Nigeria)*

Prof Yea-jen Tseng, *Southern Taiwan University Science & Technology (China (Taiwan))*

Dr Markus Gehring, *University of Cambridge (Germany)*

### Roundtable Discussion with Intervenors

Dr Alexandra Harrington, *University of Albany Faculty of Law (Colombia)*

Dr Fabiano de Andrade Correa, *UN Food & Agriculture Organization (Brazil)*

Erick Kassongo Kalonji, *Congolese Centre for Sustainable Development Law (DRC)*

### 15:45 – 17:00 The Rules & Practices of International Law for Sustainable Resources Management

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Chair: Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger, *University of Waterloo & CISDL (Canada)*

Prof Christina Voigt, *University of Oslo Faculty of Law (Norway)*

Prof Yongmin Bian, *University of International Business and Economics, Beijing (HQ)*

Prof Cymie Payne, *Rutgers University (USA)*

Prof Pamela Towela Sambo, *University of Lusaka Faculty of Law (HQ, Zambia)*

### Roundtable Discussion with Intervenors

Dr Ilaria Espa, *World Trade Institute & University of Milan (Italy)*

Dr Barbara Janusz-Pawletta, *German-Kazakh University (Poland)*

Dr Maximilian Oehl, *University of California, Berkeley (Switzerland)*

### 17:00 Closing Remarks and Acknowledgements

Dr Kamal Hossain, *International Law Association (Bangladesh) –*

Prof Friedl Weiss, *University of Vienna (Austria)*

Nadia Sanchez Castillo-Winckels, *Leiden University (Chile) & Harum Mukhayer, University of Cambridge (Sudan)*