

ILA BRITISH BRANCH SPRING CONFERENCE 2022 INTERNATIONAL LAW AND CLIMATE CHANGE*

PROGRAMME

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Thursday 28 April

PANEL ONE: THE IMPACT OF RISING SEA LEVELS (VIRTUAL PANEL)

- 18:30-20:00hrs **'The Work of the ILC on Sea Level Rise in relation to International Law'**
Professor Nilufer Oral (National University of Singapore & International Law Commission)
- 'The Rise in Sea Level Rise Litigation: North, South and International'**
Dr Joana Setzer (Assistant Professorial Research Fellow, Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change, London School of Economics)
- 'Rising Tides, Rising Law: The Need for a New Treaty Regime to address Climate-induced Statehood Challenges'**
Dr Alexandra Harrington (Lecturer in Law, Lancaster University)
- 'Resources sovereignty in the context of sea level rise: towards the emergence of land-lost States'**
Mr Selman Aksünger (Ph.D. Candidate, Maastricht University)

Friday 29 April

- 08:00-08:40hrs **Coffee & Registration**
- 08:40-09:00hrs **Opening Addresses**

PANEL TWO: INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT LAW AND CLIMATE CHANGE

- 09:00-10:40hrs **'Mobilising \$130 Trillion: The Difficult Balance between the Interests and Objectives of Private Investors and States in Transitioning to "Net Zero"'**
Ms Wendy Miles Q.C. (20 Essex Street Chambers)
- 'Climate Change in Investor-State Arbitration: Where are We Now and What Does the Future Hold?'**
Ms Oonagh Sands (Counsel, Fietta LLP)
- 'Reconciling and Prioritising Climate Aspirations in Investor-State Arbitration: The Role of Different Players'**
Dr Mala Sharma (Lecturer in Law, London South Bank University)
- 'Reimagining Eco Oro v. Colombia in light of Reformed Provisions on Fair and Equitable Treatment: Skillful (Re)Balancing Act?'**
Mrs Laura Létourneau-Tremblay (Ph.D. Candidate, Pluricourts, University of Oslo)
- 10:40-11:00 hrs **Coffee Break and Book Stands**

PANEL THREE: HUMAN RIGHTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE

- 11:00-12:40hrs **'Shared and Partial Responsibility for Climate Change: Lessons from the Urgenda Case'**
Professor André Nollkaemper (University of Amsterdam)
- 'The Right to a Healthy Environment in Climate Litigation'**
Dr Annalisa Savaresi (University of Eastern Finland)
- 'Climate Change and Armed Conflict'**
Dr Stavros-Evdokimos Pantazopoulos (Post-Doctoral Researcher, University of Helsinki)
- 'When the Heat is on: Climate Change and the Rights of Women facing Extreme Heat during Pregnancy'**
Dr Thomas Bundschuh (Senior Lecturer in Human Rights, Sheffield Hallam University)

12:40-13:40hrs **Lunch & British Branch Council Meeting**

PANEL FOUR: LITIGATING ON CLIMATE CHANGE

- 13:40-15:20hrs **'Stories of Justice: Changing Mindsets and Shifting Power through Climate Litigation'**
Mrs Michelle Jonker-Argueta (Senior Legal Counsel for Strategic Litigation, Greenpeace International)
- 'Standards for Adjudicating the Next Generation of Urgenda-style Climate Cases'**
Ms Lucy Maxwell (Senior Legal Associate, Climate Litigation Network)
- 'Settling Climate Change-related Disputes through International Arbitration'**
Professor Belen Olmos Giupponi (Head of School, University of Portsmouth)
- 'Addressing the Climate Crisis through International Law: Invoking the Advisory Jurisdiction of International Courts and Tribunals'**
Dr Margaretha Wewerinke-Singh (Assistant Professor in Public International Law, Leiden University)

15:20-16:00hrs **Coffee Break, Book Stands & Branch Annual General Meeting**

PLENARY: ROUNDTABLE ON INTERNATIONAL LAW PROBLEMS ON CLIMATE CHANGE

- 16:00-17:30hrs Professor Laurence Boisson de Chazournes (Professor of Public International Law, University of Geneva & Matrix Chambers)
- Professor Christina Voigt (Professor of Law, Pluricourts, University of Oslo)
- Professor Lavanya Rajamani (Professor of International Environmental Law, University of Oxford)
- Professor Alan Boyle Q.C. (Emeritus Professor of Public International Law, University of Edinburgh & Essex Court Chambers)
- While this will be a discussion on the general themes of the conference, the speakers have indicated that themes will include the evolution of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change regime and whether UNCLOS litigation could make a difference.
- 17:30-18:00hrs **University Transport to Guildford Harbour Hotel**
- 18:00-20:00hrs **Conference Dinner & Keynote Speech, Guildford Harbour Hotel**
- 'The Impact of Climate Change on International Law: Some Personal Reflections'**
Professor Catherine Redgwell (Chichele Professor of Public International Law, University of Oxford)

CONFERENCE CLOSURE*

* Spaces limited to prior registrants on a first-come, first-served basis.

* Pre-booked transport from the University to the dinner venue and also from the dinner venue to Guildford Railway Station will be provided.

Trains from Guildford to London Waterloo as at 11 February 2022, 20:18-20:51hrs, 20:35-21:19hrs.

Trains from Guildford to Reading, 20:16-20:53hrs, 21:14-21:56hrs.