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International Environmental Law Symposium

Towards Rio+ 20: Contemporary Issues in International Environmental Law

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8.30am	Registration
9 – 9.10am	Welcome by Don Anton, Organising Committee, & ELSS
9.10 – 10.45am	<p>Plenary Session 1: SETTING THE STAGE</p> <p>The globalisation and harmonisation of environmental law The Honourable BRIAN PRESTON, Chief Judge, New South Wales Land & Environment Court</p> <p>Institutions of governance for sustainability Professor KLAUS BOSSELMANN, Professor of Law & Director, New Zealand Centre for Environmental Law, Faculty of Law, University of Auckland</p> <p>Environmental Justice, regime interaction, and the limits of transcendentalism Mr AARON WU, Senior Policy Officer, Finance, Markets & Trade Section, International Division, Department of Climate Change & Energy Efficiency</p> <p>Disciplining the ‘green economy’ of Rio+ 20 with international environmental law Associate Professor DONALD K ANTON, ANU College of Law, The Australian National University</p>
10.45 – 11.15am	Morning tea
11.15 – 12.45pm	<p>Student Workshops</p> <p>Workshop 1: MOVING INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW FORWARD</p> <p>Reimagining the environment in international law: a responsibility to protect? ALICE BLEBY</p> <p>Catching quicksilver: prospects for an internationally binding legal instrument on mercury BYRON FAY & CHARLOTTE HANSON</p> <p>Climate change, disappearing states and forced human displacement: the desirability of a convention or protocol for persons displaced by climate change TANJ GANGULY</p> <p>The utility of environmental impact assessment in developing states NICHOLAS TOPFER</p> <p>Workshop 2: NATURAL RESOURCES: PUBLIC GOODS, MANAGEMENT & HUMAN RIGHTS</p> <p>Adaptive management in international water law: the tension between flexibility and stability ROSANNA BARTLETT, GEORGIA DAVIS & CASSANDRA KANALEY</p> <p>Question: is there a normative right to water; and if so, how might it be enforced? ELLEN CHAPPLE & FRANCES LEITCH</p> <p>International environmental law and the sustainability of fish stocks: how can we swim against the tide? JEAN YUAN</p>
12.45 – 2pm	Lunch

2 – 3.30pm	<p>Plenary Session 2: THE DEVIL IN SOME DETAILS</p> <p>International climate negotiation: trekking the Bali roadmap—from Cancun to Durban Professor ROB FOWLER, Adjunct Professor & Chair, IUCN Academy of Environmental Law, Law School, University of South Australia</p> <p>Strengthening international law for the conservation and management of sharks Dr ERIKA TECHERA, Senior Lecturer and Director, Centre for International Environmental Law, Macquarie University Law School</p> <p>International disaster law Dr MICHAEL EBURN, Senior Fellow, ANU College of Law & Fenner School of Environment and Society, The Australian National University</p> <p>Climate litigation: common themes and problems Ms KIRSTY RUDDOCK, Principal Solicitor, Environmental Defender's Office New South Wales (Ltd)</p>
3.30 – 4pm	Afternoon tea
4 – 5.30pm	<p>Student Workshops</p> <p>Workshop 3: CHILDREN, FORESTS, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>Climate change and the right of the child: is international law effective? CAITLIN POWELL & JILL STEIN</p> <p>Forests: integrating sustainable forest management and indigenous people's rights into the green economy HALYNA DANYLAK</p> <p>Sustainable development = sustainability + development? is sustainable development an effective tool for mitigating deforestation? DENEN DE SILVA, KATE ROBINSON & ISHARNA WALSH</p> <p>Workshop 4: ACCOUNTABILITY IN INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW</p> <p>Promoting environmental accountability among multinational corporate players: what can Australia do? EMMA BOLAND</p> <p>Regaining some moral ground for Rio+ 20: can criminal law help? ARJUNA DIBLEY & EMILY KERR</p> <p>A sticky situation: the seepage of liability into international environmental law ALEXANDER JORGENSEN-HULL</p> <p>A balancing act: development, state responsibility and international environmental law RACHAEL HEWES</p>
5.30pm	Close by ANU ELSS

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