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Conference Room 014

PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, 17 OCTOBER, 2018

09:00 – 10:00 Registration

10:00 – 10:15 Welcome

10:15 – 11:00 KEYNOTE SPEECH

*Daniel Klein (United Nations Climate
Change Secretariat)*

11:00 – 12:30 **PANEL 1**

**International Law and Climate Change:
Interlinkages With Health**

*Chair: Stéphanie Dagon (University of
Geneva, Switzerland)*

11:00 – 11:15 The Connection Between Climate Change,
Negative Public Health Outcomes, and the
Role of Private Sector

*Alexia Brunet Marks (University of Colorado
Boulder, USA)*

11:15 – 11:30 Securitising the Environment? Lessons from
the Global Health Security Agenda

*Mark Eccleston-Turner/Ashley Murphy
(Keele University, U.K.)*

11:30 - 11:45 Air Pollution, Climate Change and
Non Communicable Diseases: Which
Responses Through International Law?
Ilja Pavone (National Research Council, Italy)

11:45 – 12:00 Commentary by Chair

12:00 – 12:30 Discussion

12:30 – 14:00 LUNCH BREAK

14:00 – 15:30 **PANEL 2**

**Climate Change and the Right to a Healthy
Environment**

*Chair: Pedro Villarreal (Max Planck Institute
for Comparative Public Law and International
Law, Germany)*

14:00 – 14:15 Invoking the Right to a Clean and Healthy
Environment in Climate Change Litigation:
An International Perspective
*Samvel Varvastian (Cardiff University, United
Kingdom)*

14:15 – 14:30 Regulating Climate Change and Strengthening
the Right to a Healthy Environment: The Role
of the ICJ
*Violetta Ritz (Max Planck Institute for
Comparative Public Law and International
Law, Germany)*

14:30 – 14:45 The Role of International and Transnational Standards in Safeguarding the Human Right to a Healthy Environment: Case Study of the Oil and Gas Industries

Mona Kashfi (University of Tehran, Iran)

14:45 – 15:00 Commentary by Chair

15:00 – 15:30 Discussion

15:30 – 15:45 COFFEE BREAK

15:45 – 17:15 **PANEL 3**

Biodiversity and Human Health

Chair: Gian Luca Burci (Graduate Institute of International and Developmental Studies, Switzerland)

15:45 – 16:00 International Law and the Prevention of Risks to the Environment and Human Health Posed by Living Modified Organisms: Challenges and Opportunities

Ancui Liu (Maastricht University)

16:00 – 16:15 In Search of a More Interlinked Global Health and Environmental Governance System for the Use of Plant Protection Products: A Case Study

Daniela Corona (LUISS Guido Carli University, Italy)

16:15 – 16:30 From Fragmented Conflict to Plural
Coherence: International Law and
the Sharing of Pathogens
*Alexandra Phelan (Georgetown University,
USA)*

16:30 – 16:45 Commentary by Chair

16:45 – 17:15 Discussion

END OF FIRST DAY

(Optional: External Dinner at 19:30 – Location to be
announced)

THURSDAY, 18 OCTOBER, 2018

09:00 – 10:00 MORNING COFFEE

10:00 – 11:30 **PANEL 4**

Links Between Food Security, Food Safety and Environmental Issues

*Chair: Paolo Farah (West Virginia University,
United States/gLAWcal)*

- 10:00 – 10:15 Food Labeling Requirements Under WTO Law: “How to Find a Balance Between Trade Liberalization and Social Objectives?”
Daria Boklan (National Research University Higher School of Economics, Russia)
- 10:15 – 10:30 The Positive Contribution of International Organizations to Food Security and Safety Through a Healthy Environment
Pia Acconci (University of Teramo, Italy)
- 10:30 – 10:45 What’s Beyond Energy? How to Include Water Consumption, Land Use and Health Measures in Climate Change Agreements: The Case of Livestock Production and the Feedstuff Trade
Justo Corti Varela (University CEU San Pablo, Spain)
- 10:45 - 11:00 Commentary by Chair
- 11:00 - 11:30 Discussion
- 11:30 - 11:45 COFFEE BREAK

11:45 – 13:15 **PANEL 5**

**Legal Strategies for Air, Water and
Chemical Pollution**

*Chair: Stefania Negri (University of Salerno/
Jean Monnet Chair in European Health,
Environmental and Food Safety Law)*

11:45 – 12:00 The European Court of Human Rights on
State Responsibility for Pollution of Air and
Water and for Damage from Natural
Disasters

*Natalia Kobylarz (European Court of Human
Rights)*

12:00 – 12:15 Chemical Pollution and the Role of
International Law in a Detoxified Future
Sabaa Khan (University of Eastern Finland)

12:15 – 12:30 Strengthening International Water Security:
The EU's Proposal
Grazia Scocca (University of Salerno - Italy)

12:30 – 12:45 Commentary by Chair

12:45 – 13:15 Discussion

13:15 – 14:30 LUNCH BREAK

**CONCLUDING REMARKS FROM CONVENERS AND
FAREWELL (14:30 - 15:00)**



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