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Interest Group on “International Environmental Law”

International Conference on “**Water-Energy-Food Nexus and Environmental Sustainability: Choices, Compromises and Priorities**” to be held on September 6, 2017 on the occasion of the 13th ESIL Annual Conference on “**Global Public Goods, Global Commons and Fundamental Values: The Responses of International Law**”, Naples, 7–9 September 2017

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September 6, 2017, Naples, Italy

[Provisional Program](#)

11:00 – 18:00

11:00 – 11:05: Welcoming Address of the IG Coordinating Committee: Paolo Davide FARAH, West Virginia University (USA) and gLAWcal – Global Law Initiatives for Sustainable Development (United Kingdom)

11:00 – 13:00

Panel I: Water-Energy-Food Nexus: Implications for Sovereignty Principles, Self-Determination and Global Public Goods

Chair and Moderator: Jan WOUTERS, Jean Monnet Chair *ad personam* EU and Global Governance, Full Professor of International Law and International Organizations, Director, Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies - Institute for International Law, KU Leuven (Belgium)

Paolo Davide FARAH, West Virginia University (USA) & gLAWcal – Global Law Initiatives for Sustainable Development (UK)

Water-Energy-Food Nexus Under International Law: Introductory Remarks

Hitomi Kimura, Otsuma Women's University, Tokyo, Japan

Water-Energy-Food Nexus in the International Environmental Laws

Yao-Ming HSU, National Cheng-Chi University, College of Law (Taipei, Taiwan); Chen Wen-Wei, Taiwan Research Institute (Taipei, Taiwan)

Mainstreaming the Water-Food-Energy Nexus Approach: A Driving Force Analysis

Maria Banda, University of Toronto (Canada)

The Food-Water Nexus and International Law : Climate Change Adaptation Across State Boundaries

Hyun Ju (Crystal) Park, University of Macau Faculty of Law (China)

The Implications of the Conflict between the Customary Principles of Permanent Sovereignty over Natural Resources and the Equitable Use of Transboundary Aquifers

Lunch Break: 13:00 – 14:00

14:00 – 15:30

Panel II: Water-Energy-Food Nexus: International Trade, Investment Law and Development

Chair, Moderator and discussant: Alessandra ARCURI, Erasmus University Rotterdam (Netherlands)

Flavia MARISI, Ghent University (Belgium) & CUHK – Chinese University of Hong Kong (China)

Balancing the Human Rights to Water and to Property in Investment Law

Alexander SOLNTSEV, People's Friendship University of Russia, Department of International Law, Moscow (Russia)

Legal Problems of Using the Transboundary Amur River: Issues of Environmental, Social and Economic Development

Martin Svec, Masaryk University Faculty of Law (Czech Republic); Matteo Barra, Energy Charter Treaty (Belgium)

Opportunities for Advancing the Water-Energy-Food Nexus in Development Cooperation: the Case of Africa

15:30 – 17:00

Panel III: Water-Energy-Food Nexus: Agriculture, Farmer Rights in the light of Human Rights, the Protection of the Environment and Democracy

Chair, Moderator and discussant: Vanessa Richard, Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Internationales et Communautaires (CERIC), CNRS/Aix Marseille Université (France)

Charlotte BLATTNER, University of Basel (Switzerland); Odile AMMANN, University of Fribourg (Switzerland) and University of Oxford (United Kingdom)

Water-Energy-Food Nexus: Animal Agriculture and Farmer Rights in the Light of International Human Rights Law

Chamu KUPPUSWAMY, University of Hertfordshire, School of Law, Criminology and Political Science, Hertfordshire (United Kingdom)

Intersectionality in Food Security and Tenure Rights

Antonio Coletta, CREA - National Council for the Research in Agriculture and Analysis in Agricultural Economics – UTV (Italy); Hatice M. Tuncer, University of Cambridge, CAPE - Centre for Advanced Photonics and Electronics (United Kingdom)

Food, Energy, Water and Their Synergy in Sustainable Agriculture

Priscila PEREIRA DE ANDRADE, University Center of Brasília (UniCEUB), Brasilia (Brazil)

Private Normative Instruments to Regulate the Water-Energy-Food Nexus: the Legal Effects of Private Standards and Contracts Adopted in the sustainable biofuel industry

17:00 – 17:30 **Concluding Remarks in Alphabetical Order:** Alessandra ARCURI, Erasmus University Rotterdam (Netherlands); Paolo Davide FARAH, West Virginia University (USA) & gLAWcal – Global Law Initiatives for Sustainable Development (UK); Vanessa Richard, Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Internationales et Communautaires (CERIC), CNRS/Aix Marseille Université (France); Jan WOUTERS, Jean Monnet Chair *ad personam* EU and Global Governance, Director, Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies - Institute for International Law, KU Leuven (Belgium)

17:30 – 18:00 The workshop will be followed by the meeting of the Members of the IG on IEL, Planning of Future Activities and Informal Dinner.