

# Engaging in Global Stocktake through Legal Lenses

## Climate Law & Governance Day 2023

Tuesday 5, December

During the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change COP28 in Dubai, UAE  
**BOTH IN PERSON AND ONLINE**

8:30 AM - 7:00 PM, DUBAI LOCAL TIME GST (GMT +4 / CET +2)

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Climate law, policy and practice must be strengthened to reduce emissions and keep the world below 1.5°C warming; to foster adaptation and resilience for the adverse impacts of climate change; to foster low greenhouse gas emissions sustainable development pathways; and to make finance flows consistent with a pathway towards sustainable development.

Over 169 out of 186 countries stress the importance of legal and institutional reform in their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) to the global response to climate change under the Paris Agreement. As over 60 countries also emphasize in their NDCs, exponential increases in law and governance capacity and practice on all levels are crucial for implementation and compliance. Climate finance in many forms, recognising the key roles of both private and public law, also public policy and governance at all levels in accelerating ambition, and in converting ambition to obligation, are also critical.

As Paris Agreement representatives, observers and stakeholders gather in Dubai for the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) 28<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties (COP28) from 30 November - 12 December 2023, Climate Law & Governance Day (CLGD) 2023 convenes a community of leading law faculties and law and governance institutes, international organization counsel, government authorities, law associations, judges, professionals and others responsible for inspiring, innovating and building law, policy and governance capacity, entirely online.

Co-hosted by the prestigious Middlesex University Dubai, University of Dubai and University of Cambridge, CLGD 2023 global symposium takes place both in-person at Middlesex University Dubai and online on Tuesday, 5 December 2023 during the UNFCCC COP 28 in Dubai, UAE. CLGD 2023 follows on key preparatory events, including consultations and a legal experts roundtable during 58th session of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies from 5-15 June 2023 in Bonn, Germany.

CLGD 2023 provides an important opportunity to share ideas, debate trends and advances, and build legal momentum for climate action, building on the success of CLGD 2005 at McGill University during COP11 in Montreal, CLGD 2015 at La Sorbonne Law School during COP21 in Paris, CLGD 2016 at the Université Privée de Marrakech and Hassane I University during COP22 in Marrakech, CLGD 2017 with the University of the South Pacific at the University of Bonn during COP23 in Bonn, CLGD 2018 at the University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland, CLGD 2019 with the University of Chile at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid in Madrid, Spain; CLGD 2021 with the University of Cambridge, the University of Glasgow and the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, UK, CLGD 2022 with Ain Shams University Cairo in Sharm-el-Sheikh Egypt, among other global events and engagements.

## Climate Law & Governance Day 2023 Themes

Four key themes have been identified in consultation with the Climate Law & Governance Initiative (CLGI) Programme Committee from the vision and goals set by the UAE as the UNFCCC COP28 Presidency, as informed by the UNFCCC 58<sup>th</sup> Subsidiary Bodies meetings in June 2023. Each theme is led by a CLGI Chair:

1. **Operationalising the Paris Agreement in International Law:** Contributing to global stocktake, market and non-market approaches, transparency and technology frameworks, financial, capacity, compliance and loss and damage mechanisms, also synergies with other international legal instruments.
2. **Testing Legal and Governance Tools for High Ambition Implementation:** Innovating legal and governance instruments for climate mitigation, adaptation and resilience, and finance, creating synergies within and across sectors, assessing legal barriers and strengthening capacity amongst law and policy leaders, practitioners and advocates for high ambition NDC/LTS implementation.
3. **Advancing Climate Resilience and Justice:** Engaging civil society and the legal community, including courts, associations and others in accelerating climate action, enhancing transparency and ensuring accountability, integrating rights-based approaches, advancing WIM for loss and damage with effective financial and other structures, supporting access to climate justice and climate litigation, and addressing climate migration.
4. **Net Zero Legal Frameworks to Enable Climate Neutral Investment and Finance:** Scaling up climate finance, investment, re-allocation of capital and sustainable global supply chains, and addressing fossil fuel subsidies, climate risk disclosure, a just transition and decarbonisation, especially through private, trade, investment and competition law, commercial and corporate rules.

## Climate Law & Governance Day 2023 Objectives

1. **To inspire and optimize** legal and institutional reform for achieving current Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris Agreement, supporting the 2023 Global Stocktake efforts and increasing the ambition of the next round of NDCs.
2. **To profile and share** innovative international, national, and local law and governance challenges, mechanisms and good practices relating to global efforts to address climate change.
3. **To catalyse knowledge exchange** and co-generate new climate law and governance scholarship, insights and approaches, facilitating new dialogue and partnerships.
4. **To strengthen capacity and collaboration** among the climate law and governance community of practice to implement the Doha Amendment, Paris Agreement and COP outcomes, supporting achievement of the world's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

## Climate Law & Governance Initiative 2023 Venues

Climate Law and Governance Day 2023 takes place both in-person at Middlesex University Dubai and online during the UNFCCC CoP28 in Dubai, UAE. The Climate Law and Governance Specialization Course 2023 on 7 December 2023 takes place at the University of Dubai and online. Ex-post events include an official side event to share the outcomes at Monday, 11 December at . The CLGI Secretariat is hosted by the Centre for International Sustainable Development Law CISDL based in McGill University (Canada), in collaboration with affiliates in the University of Cambridge (UK), the University of Nairobi (Kenya) and the University of Chile (Chile), among others.

*With special thanks for the excellent advice and engagement of experts from key international organisations:*



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### FULL PROGRAMME\*

**8:00 – 8:30  
GST**

#### Registration (Bali Hall)

Masters of Ceremonies: **Adv Ayman Cherkaoui** (Director, Hassan II Intl Centre for Enviro Training / Deputy Chair, IUCN World Commission on Enviro Law WCEL / CLGI Chair & Lead Counsel, Centre for Intl Sust Dev Law CISDL) & **Ms Mahine Rizvi Ahmad** (Senior Lecturer, Middlesex Univ Dubai MDX School of Law & Politics / Founding Member, MDX Institute of Sust Dev ISD)  
Moderators: **Adv Maeve E McDermott** (CLGI Coordinator, CISDL); **Adv Tejas Rao** (Manager, CISDL) & **Dr M Antonieta Nestor** (Post-Doctoral Fellow, Cambridge Univ / CLGI Manager, CISDL, online)

**8:30 – 9:20  
GST**

#### 2023 Climate Law & Governance Day Grand Opening (Dubai Plenary)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83361150485>

Welcomes from Hosts & Partners

Chairs: **Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger**, WIJA (CLGI Exec Sec & Senior Director, CISDL / Visiting Chair, Univ Cambridge / Prof, UVic); **Prof Cody Morris Paris** (Dep Director & Head, Business School, MDX); **Dr Nasiruddeen Muhammad** (Asst Prof, Univ Dubai)

Welcome: **Prof Cedwyn Fernandes** (Pro-Vice Chancellor & Director, MDX)

Opening Plenary: **Prof Patricia Kameri-Mbote** (Director, UNEP Law Division / CLG Global Leadership Award, online); **Prof Christina Voigt** (Chair, IUCN WCEL / Co-Chair, Paris Agreement Implementation & Compliance Committee PAICC / Prof, Univ Oslo); **Prof Damilola Olawuyi** (UNESCO Chair, HBKU / Vice-Chair, Intl Law Association); **Adv Michael Strauss** (General Counsel, European Bank for Reconstruction & Development EBRD); **Adv Tom Clark** (General Counsel, Asian Development Bank ADB); **Adv Gülen Newton** (General Counsel, Green Climate Fund GCF, online); **Hon Justice Jawad Hassan** (Hon Sitting Judge, Lahore High Court, Pakistan); **Adv Layla El-Wafi** (Board Representative / Co-Lead ESG Working Group, ACC MENA); **Mr Andrew Mackenzie** (Senior Lecturer & Head, ISD MDX)

**9:20 – 10:00  
GST**

#### Taking Stock of Legal Progress on Climate Change - High Level Plenary I (Dubai Plenary)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83361150485>

What progress has been made in law and governance to respond to climate change, and what more is urgently needed to scale up Paris Agreement implementation and beyond, on all levels?

Chair: **Prof Christina Voigt** (Chair, IUCN WCEL / Co-Chair, PAICC) & **Adv Douglas Leys KC** (Laureate, CLG Global Leadership Award / Senior Fellow, CISDL, online)

Plenary Keynotes: **Prof David Boyd** (UN Rapporteur on Human Rights & Environment, United Nations); **Prof Payam Akhavan** (Lead Counsel, Comm on Small Island States / Member, Permanent Court of Arbitration PCA / Senior Fellow, Massey Coll Univ Toronto); **Prof Patricia Kameri-Mbote** (Director, UNEP Law Division / CLG Global Leadership Award, online)

**10:00 – 10:15  
GST**

#### Break



## Concurrent Experts Panels / Roundtables Sessions (I)

### I. Experts Panel: Promoting Public and Private Contributions to Legal and Financial Frameworks for UAE's 2050 Net Zero Transition (Glasgow Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89636457748>

What legal and regulatory changes are needed to facilitate private sector engagement in renewable energy and carbon reduction initiatives? How can private sector companies access financing and capital to support their sustainability initiatives in alignment with the net zero goals? How can businesses ensure transparency and accountability in reporting their sustainability initiatives and what changes are needed in the existing legal and financial frameworks to support them?

Hosted by Middlesex Univ Dubai MDX

Chairs: **Dr Sreejith Balasubramanian** (Assoc Prof, MDX Centre for Supply Chain Research) & **Ms Mahine Rizvi Ahmad** (Senior Lecturer, MDX)

Speakers/Discussants: Adv Shaun Johnson (Group General Counsel, BEEAH Group / Chairman, IPFA Middle East / Global Board Member); Adv Maali Khader (CEO, Middle East Institute of Directors); Adv Aneesa Siddiqui (Vice President, Group Ethics and Compliance, ADNOC)

### II. Roundtable: Teaching Climate Law and the Clean Energy Transition (Marrakesh Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82953638000>

What methodologies can be used to effectively teach climate change law? What are the main challenges in teaching climate change law? How can the interdisciplinary nature of climate change law be incorporated into teaching strategy?

Hosted by Univ Dubai; Centre for Climate Law & Governance CCLG King's College London; Hughes Hall Centre for Climate Engagement HH-CCE; Committee of Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities CVCNU

Chairs: **Dr Nasiruddeen Muhammad** (Asst Prof, Univ Dubai) & **Prof Emmanuella Doussis** (UNESCO Chair, National & Kapodistrian Univ Athens / Director, Institute of European Integration & Policy)

Opening Remarks: **Prof Megan Bowman** (Prof & CCLG Director, King's College London, online)

Speakers/Discussants: Prof Peter Cameron (Director & Intl Energy Law Prof, Univ Dundee / Assoc Tenant, Landmark Chambers, online); Prof Sonam Tshering (Asst Dean & Asst Prof, JigmeSingye Wangchuck Law JSW Law); Dr Kikelomo Kila (Lecturer in Law, Univ Huddersfield); Dr Grace Udoyen (Senior Research Fellow, CVCNU, online); Prof Markus Gehring (Assoc Prof, Univ Cambridge / Lead Counsel, CISDL)

Closing Remarks: **Prof Barbara Janusz-Pawletta** (Vice-Rector, Kazakh-German Univ, Almaty Kazakhstan, online)

### III. Experts Panel: Furthering Technology Transfer Under the Paris Agreement to Drive Carbon Dioxide Removal and for Effective Adaptation (Rio de Janeiro Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84714357298>

What safe pathways need to be created for people who are dealing with the impacts of climate change? What do we mean by climate intervention law? How do you think research and development can improve resilience to climate change and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions?

Hosted by Centre for Climate Repair at Cambridge; Friendship; Univ Houston Law Centre

Chairs: **Ms Elilini Hoole** (Researcher, Dept of Land Economy, Univ Cambridge) & **Prof Tracy Hester** (Assoc Prof, Univ Houston Law Centre, online)

Opening Remarks: **Dr M Antonieta Nestor** (Engagement Manager, Centre for Climate Repair CRC, Univ Cambridge, online)

Speakers/Discussants: Prof William Burns (Prof Research, American Univ / Co-Director, Institute for Carbon Removal Law & Policy); Mr Kazi Amdadul Hoque (Senior Director, FRIENDSHIP); Ms Runa Khan (Founder & Executive Director, FRIENDSHIP); HRH Princess Esmeralda de Belgique (Chair, FRIENDSHIP Belgium / President, King Leopold III Fund for Nature Exploration & Conservation / Ambassador of Honour, WWF Belgium); Adv Ayesha Tahsin Khan (Senior Director & Head of Inclusive Citizenship, FRIENDSHIP, online)

### IV. Roundtable: Protecting the Rights of Future Generations and a Just Transition (Montreal Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85130153759>

How are the rights of future generations considered in current policy making and why is it imperative to take this into account? How are organisations working on globally relevant topics, such as climate action, responsible agriculture, democratic development, including future generations in decision making? What are the key

elements of the Maastricht Principles, which intent to clarify international human rights law as it applies to future generations, and how are the principles applied?

Hosted by World Future Council; Centre for International Environmental Law CIEL; FIAN International; Maastricht Univ

Chair: **Ms Lena Dente** (Senior Programme Manager, World Future Council WFC) & **Adv Nikki Reisch** (Director, Climate and Energy Programme, CIEL)

Speakers/Discussants: Mr Herbert Girardet (Co-Founder, WFC, video); Ms Marie-Claire Graf (Co-Founder, Youth Negotiators Academy, online); Dr Margareta Drzeniek (Managing Partner, Horizon Group); Dr Ashfaq Khalfan (Director, Climate Justice, Oxfam America / Chair, CISDL, online); Ms Samira Ben Ali (Outreach and Engagement Coordinator, World's Youth for Climate Justice WY4CJ); Ms Lucia Tatenda Wangui (Youth Representative, WFC / Consultant, Deloitte Sustainability, online)

11:30 – 12:40  
GST

## Concurrent Experts Panels / Roundtables / Workshop Sessions (II)

### V. Experts Panel: Advancing Climate Competent Lawyering Across the Board

(Glasgow Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82094281089>

Why is climate conscious/competent lawyering necessary and what is the legal profession doing about it? What areas of law are affected by climate change and how are law firms responding to this need, and how do you get partners to participate? Is there a deference given to northern hemisphere law societies, and how does that affect policy making?

Hosted by the International Bar Association IBA; Order of Attorneys of Brazil OAB; Federico Peralta – Attorney; SaborioLaw; Alnus Consulting & Strategy; Net Zero Lawyers Alliance NZLA; Al Tamimi & Company; The Chancery Lane Project

Chairs: **Adv Lara Douvartzidis** (Climate Lead, Intl Bar Association) & **Adv Federico Peralta-Bedoya** (Founder, Federico Peralta – Attorney, online)

Speakers/Discussants: Adv Francis Patalong (Senior Counsel, Al Tamimi & Company); Adv Georgina Beasley (Net Zero Lawyers Alliance); Adv Nina Pindham (Cornerstone Chambers); Adv Leticia Perrone Campos Mello (Legal Counsel, OAB – Brazilian Bar Association); Prof John Dernbach (Director, Enviro Law & Sustainability Center, Widener Univ Commonwealth Law School, online); Adv Matthew Gingell (Chair & Founder, The Chancery Lane Project / General Counsel, Oxygen House Group, online)

### VI. Experts Panel: Developing Regulatory Paths for Safe, Equitable & Rapid Fusion Energy Deployment (Marrakesh Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81080964572>

What do we need now in order to create safeguards across a wide spectrum of technologies? How do we enable these commercializing technologies to benefit with parity from the start? Can one set of regulations apply to all?

Hosted by Energy for the Common Good ECG

Chair: **Ms Jane Hotchkiss** (President, Energy for the Common Good)

Speakers/Discussants: Dr Thomas Davis (Chief Technology Officer, Oxford Sigma); Ms Jennifer Ganten (Chief Global Affairs Officer, Commonwealth Fusion Systems); Mr Andrew Proffitt (Regulatory Specialist, Helion Energy, online); Mr Humphrey Mrema (Chairman, Youth Survival Organization); Mr Jim McNiel (Global Chief Marketing Officer, TAE Technologies, online)

### VII. Leadership Panel: Developing Education & Capacity for Climate Law and Policy - European & Global Trends (Rio de Janeiro Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86854285584>

How do programs like Erasmus+ and other global projects support the development of green skills in the 2021-2027 perspective, and why is climate education crucial for achieving a zero-emission economy and the development of green technologies of the future? How has interest in climate change evolved in research at Polish and European Universities, and what were the contributing factors and determinants? How does technology influence the development and accessibility of climate education and public engagement in pro-climate activities and how can climate law be made more effective through new trends in higher legal education, with a focus on education reform at Polish Universities and the impacts of the Climate Justice Capacity Initiative (CJCI) on students, lawyers, and the community?

Hosted by Foundation for Development of Education System FRSE, National Agency of Erasmus+ Programme and European Solidarity Corps

Chair: **Adv Magdalena Stryja** (Spokesperson & Deputy Director of Legal Department, FRSE, National Agency of Erasmus+ Programme & European Solidarity Corps / Fellow, CISDL)  
 Speakers/Discussants: Dr Michał Kurtyka (President, COP24 / Former Minister of Climate, Poland); Prof Piotr Moncarz (Adjunct Prof, Stanford Univ / Co-founder & Chairman, US-Polish Trade Council / Vice Chairman & Chief Technologist Officer, XGS Energy Inc. Top 500 Innovators 2011-2015); Prof Paweł Poszytek (Visiting Prof, Stanford Univ / Director General, FRSE / Director, National Agency of Erasmus+ Programme & European Solidarity Corps, online); Prof Antonio La Viña (Assoc Director for Climate Policy & Intl Relations, Manila Observatory / Project Head, Climate Justice Capacity Initiative CJCI); Dr Anna Budznowska (Member, EuroScience Management Board / Champion, European City of Science Katowice 2024 / Director, Department of Research & Development, Ministry of Education & Science / Former Deputy Minister of Higher Education, Poland); Ms Bianka Siwińska (CEO, Perspektywy Women in Tech / Expert for Tajikistan, World Bank); Prof Agnieszka Bielska-Brodziak (Head, Unit of Intl Chair in Bioethics / Spokesperson for Rights of Students / Researcher, Univ Silesia in Katowice); Mr Bartosz Stawiarz (Director, Innovation Centers Erasmus+ InnHub / Director, Erasmus+ Sport, FRSE, National Agency of Erasmus+ Programme & European Solidarity Corps); Ms Domnina Rances (Dean, Ateneo de Naga Univ / Project Director, CJCI); Ms Razielle Rañeses (Project Manager, CJCI, Ateneo de Naga Univ)

### **VIII. Workshop: Exploring Methane Litigation Tools & Approaches** (Montreal Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89717110936>

What are the recent advances in data and tools that allow litigating against methane emitters? What legal approaches are there for addressing methane emissions? What challenges are there and how can they be overcome?

Hosted by Leave it in the Ground Initiative LINGO; Centro Mexicano de Derecho Ambiental CEMDA; Institute for Governance & Sustainable Development IGSD; Center for Climate Crime Analysis CCA; Doughty Street Chambers

Chairs: **Prof Gustavo Alanis** (CEO, CEMDA) & **Dr Kjell Kühne** (Director, LINGO)

Speakers/Discussants: Adv Maxime Beaugrand (Director of Paris Office, IGSD); Adv Margherita Cornaglia (Barrister, Doughty Street Chambers, online); Adv Julia Solana (Program Director, CCA)

**12:40 – 13:20  
GST**

### **Speakers & Delegates Break for Lunch & Launch of Projects / Publications (Bali Hall & Gardens)**

Inauguration of MDX student climate and sustainability research showcase

**13:20 – 14:30  
GST**

### **Concurrent Experts Panels / Roundtable Sessions (III)**

#### **IX. Experts Panel: Promoting Climate Action through Trade Law** (Glasgow Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86739839067>

How are climate, trade and ESG standards with cross-border elements proliferating and impacting global value chains? What new sustainability and climate reporting standards, such as ISSB S1 and S2, are also affecting actors along global value chains, especially while there are no clear interoperability rules between different frameworks? How are climate issues influencing the progress of trade agreement negotiations and implementation, especially between the EU and the Americas, and beyond?

Hosted by Univ Cambridge Centre for European Legal Studies CELS; CISDL; European Climate Foundation ECF; Brazilian Bar - OAB, Rio Grande do Sul Chapter; Deloitte; Federal Univ Rio de Janeiro; Harvard Kennedy School Women's Network; Org of Women Intl Trade OWIT Brussels; Commonwealth Foundation

Chairs: **Prof Markus Gehring** (Assoc Prof, Univ Cambridge / Lead Counsel, CISDL) & **Prof Alessandra Lehmen** (President, Enviro Law Commission, Brazilian Bar - OAB, Rio Grande do Sul State Chapter)

Speakers/Discussants: Adv Marios Tokas (Programme Manager Trade & Investment, CISDL); Ms Mayra Souza (Programme Lead, Harvard Kennedy School Women's Network); Prof Dr Emilio Lèbre La Rovere (Prof, Federal Univ Rio de Janeiro UFRJ/COPPE; IPCC Member); Ms Reshma Sharma (Director, Deloitte Middle East); Prof Javiera Caceres (Inst Prof, Institute of Intl Studies Univ Chile, online); Dr Fabiano de Andrade Corrêa (Co-Chair, IUCN WCEL Climate Change Law Specialist Group CCLSG / Lead Counsel, CISDL); Prof Richard Beardsworth (Intl Relations Prof & Head of School, Co-chair Univ of Leeds UNFCCC Task Force); Ms Jennifer Moriconni (Founder, OWIT Brussels, online); Prof Geraldo Vidigal (Asst Prof, Univ Amsterdam, online); Prof Ilaria Espa (Assoc Prof, USI Lugano)

Closing Remarks: **Mr Ricardo Melendez Ortiz** (Founder, Caeruleum | Globe & Sustainability)

#### **X. Roundtable: Taking Stock of Climate Litigation in 2023** (Marrakesh Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86702846933>

What roles do courts play in advancing climate justice in 2023, in particular through the pending advisory proceedings in regional and international courts? How are contentious cases and other strategic litigation contributing to climate action globally and how can the role of climate justice and civil society participation in these proceedings be strengthened? What are the future trends in climate litigation, and how might legal strategies evolve?

Hosted by ClientEarth, Pacific Island Students Fighting Climate Change PISFCC; WY4CJ

Chairs: **Mr Vishal Prasad** (Campaigner, PISFCC) & **Adv Lea Main-Klingst** (Fundamental Rights Attorney, ClientEarth)

Speakers/Discussants: Amb Odo Tevi (Ambassador to the United Nations, Republic of Vanuatu)\*; Prof Payam Akhavan (Lead Counsel, Comm on Small Island States / Member, PCA / Senior Fellow, Massey Coll Univ Toronto); Adv Hafij Khan (Exec Director, Centre for Climate Justice Bangladesh CCJ-B / Exec Comm, Warsaw Intl Mechanism for Loss & Damage); Prof Richard Wallsgrave (Assoc Prof, Univ Hawaii); Ms Belyndar Rikimani (Vice President, PISFCC)

## **XI. Experts Panel: Emerging Trends in Sustainability Reporting, Climate Governance and Transition Planning** (Rio de Janeiro Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86557265070>

How can MDBs and national authorities support the private sector in implementing emerging regulations and standards designed to meet the Paris Agreement goals? How will legislative instruments such as the EU CBAM, GDIP and US IRA as well as sustainability / climate-related disclosure regulations and standards influence Paris Agreement alignment efforts and what are the implications of an unharmonized approach for multi-national enterprises in the context of achieving Paris Agreement goals? What are some of the potential challenges and hurdles that the private sector should be aware of in the context of complying with and implementing sustainability/climate related regulations and standards in the coming year?

Hosted by EBRD and ADB

Chairs: **Adv Michael Strauss** (Gen Counsel, EBRD) & **Adv Thomas M. Clark** (Gen Counsel, ADB)

Speakers/Discussants: Adv Vesselina Haralampieva (Senior Counsel, EBRD); Mr Mark Manning (Strategic Policy Advisor, Sustainable Finance, UK Financial Conduct Authority); Adv Lisa Sachs (Director, Columbia Center on Sustainable Investment); Adv Caroline May (Head of Sustainability, Norton Rose Fulbright); Adv Victor Mosoti (Chief Counsel, Enviro and Int'l Law Unit, World Bank Legal Vice-Presidency)

## **XII. Experts Panel: Developing the International Climate Regime through Conciliation and Compensation** (Montreal Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86007972988>

How can new mechanisms complement in the Paris Agreement regime progress climate-related objectives? Addressing the context, methodology, and key considerations; how could a new conciliation mechanism support the sustained collaboration and cooperation necessary to effectively address climate change? What is the balance of competing interests in the Draft Conciliation Annex, for example between disputing States, non-disputing States, and other third parties such as NGOs, and what is the Draft's approach to transparency versus confidentiality? What lessons can be learned from recent progress in the regime to define a response fund for loss and damage, and what more remains to be done for global climate compensation or restitution?

Hosted by Intl Council for Commercial Arbitration ICCA; Climate Change Counsel; Centre for Climate Justice Bangladesh CCJ-B

Chairs: **Adv Annette Magnusson** (Co-Founder, Climate Change Counsel) & **Adv Hafij Khan** (Exec Director, CCJ-B / Exec Comm, Warsaw Intl Mechanism for Loss & Damage)

Speakers/Discussants: Prof Laurence Boisson de Chazournes (Prof of Intl Law, Univ Geneva School of Law / Co-Director, Geneva Center for International Dispute Settlement CIDS / Member, ICCA Panel of Experts, online); Adv Nicola Swan (Partner, Chapman Tripp / Member, ICCA Panel of Experts, online); Dr Christopher Bartlett (Climate Diplomacy Manager, Vanuatu ICJ Initiative); Amb Adao Soares Barbosa (Amb, Timor-Leste / Member, Transitional Comm, online)

**14:35 – 15:45  
GST**

## **Concurrent Experts Panels / Roundtables / Workshop Sessions (IV)**

## **XIII. Roundtable: Advancing Courage, Contributions and Compliance through Climate Law and Policy Solutions** (Glasgow Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88624794390>

What are the social, economic, and environmental dimensions of climate change response efforts, and why are they critically important, including for indigenous peoples? How can sustainable development commitments



under the Paris Agreement, from enhancing resilience to climate impacts, to promoting clean energy transitions or fostering nature-based solutions, be helped or hindered by law and governance reform? As Parties to the Paris Agreement evaluate progress at COP28, what climate law solutions, with an emphasis on indigenous law and policy approaches, can be highlighted? What has been the progress on the new Routledge Handbook on Climate Law and Governance, and on the Climate Law and Governance Capacity Pledge, and to accelerate it? Hosted by the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions PICS, Univ Victoria; Centre for International Sustainable Development Law CISDL; IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law WCEL

Chairs: **Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger, WIJA** (Exec Sec, CLGI / Visiting Chair, Univ Cambridge / Prof, UVic) & **Adv Tejas Rao** (Manager, CISDL / Researcher, Univ Cambridge)

Keynote: **Hon Sheila Watt-Cloutier** (past Chair of Inuit Circumpolar Council & Laureate, Right Livelihoods Award, video) chaired by **Prof Ian Mauro** (Exec Dir, PICS / Prof, UVic, video)

Speakers/Discussants: Prof Christina Voigt (Co-chair, PAICC / Chair, IUCN WCEL) / Adv Ayman Cherkaoui (Lead Counsel, CISDL / Vice-Chair, IUCN WCEL); Vis Prof Yasmin Batliwala (Chief Exec, Advocates for Intl Development); Adv Irmina Pacho (Climate Justice Specialist, Intl Development Law Organisation); Adv Wayne Garnons-Williams (President & CEO, IITIO); Adv Susan Ann Samuel (Researcher, Univ Leeds / Fellowship Officer, CISDL); Adv Gwyneth Boone (Researcher, CISDL / Asst Editor, UVic, online); Ms Adwoa Appiah (Researcher, Univ Waterloo, online)

Closing Remarks: **Prof Cynthia Milton** (Assoc VP Research, UVic / Prof, UVic, online)\* & **Prof Emmanuella Doussis** (UNESCO Chair, National & Kapodistrian Univ Athens / Director, Institute of European Integration & Policy)

#### **XIV. Experts Roundtable: Advancing Climate Governance Integrity** (Marrakesh Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86721463478>

How to address the challenges that environmental crimes and corruption present for climate initiatives? What are some best practice case-studies and lessons learned from the efforts to advance climate governance integrity in Latin America and the Caribbean? How to frame a global response, premised on climate governance integrity, to combat environmental crimes and corruption in climate initiatives?

Hosted by Transparency International TI

Chair: **Mr Brice Böhmer** (Climate Lead, TI); **Mr Andrés Araya Montezuma** (Member, Costa Rica Integra, online); **Mr Anoukh de Soysa** (Climate Governance Specialist, TI)

Speakers/Discussants: Dr Manish Raj Pandey (Head, Dept of Climate Change and Knowledge Management, National Trust for Nature Conservation – Nepal); Ms Magaly Ávila (Director, Environmental Governance Program, Proética); Ms Rosa Iris Almonte (Project Manager, Citizen Participation, video); Hon Rafaela Santos Martins da Rosa (Federal Judge, 12ª Federal Court Porto Alegre / RS, Brazil)

#### **XV. Experts Panel: Enforcing Anti-Greenwashing and Climate Risk Disclosure Regulations** (Rio de Janeiro Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82586850196>

What are the key challenges that emerge from the examination of current regulations and practical cases in different jurisdictions regarding climate disclosure obligations and anti-greenwashing policies? What is the role of litigation in addressing greenwashing in the financial sector? What are the limits of a “single materiality” approach to climate regulation?

Hosted by Institute for Climate and Society iCS and Ecojustice Canada

Chair: **Adv Caio Borges** (Portfolio Coordinator, Law and Climate iCS, online) & **Adv Alan Andrews** (Climate Program Director, Ecojustice Canada)

Speakers/Discussants: Prof Alessandra Lehmen (President, Enviro Law Commission, Brazilian Bar - OAB, Rio Grande do Sul State Chapter); Adv Benjamin Franta (Senior Research Fellow & Head of Climate Litigation Lab, Oxford Sustainable Law Programme, online); Adv David Barnden (Climate Equity Generation Lawyers, online); Adv Sophie Marjanac (Climate Lawyer, ClientEarth); Prof Ben Caldecott (Director, Oxford Sustainable Finance Group, online)

#### **XVI. Roundtable: Exploring Low Carbon and Energy Efficient Procurement as a Tool for Paris Agreement Implementation** (Montreal Room)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85839382094>

How can the government purchasing power of 14% of GDP in high-income countries and 30% of GDP in developing countries accelerate the demand strategy for a more climate-friendly procurement system? How can a systematic framework be aimed at the integration of low-carbon criteria in all stages of public procurement so as to enable procurement officials to overcome the challenges of setting and reaching net-zero goals? How can

emerging economies leverage their large purchasing power in promoting a more sustainable and inclusive growth through the adoption of sustainable public procurement policies?

Hosted by UNEP; CMS, International Law Firm; George Washington Univ GWU Law School

Chairs: **Hon Marc Steiner** (Judge, Swiss Federal Administrative Court, online) & **Adv Munir Hassan** (Partner, Head of Energy & Climate Change, CMS)

Moderator: **Dr Jellie Molino** (Former Expert Consultant, UNEP)

Speakers/Discussants: Ms Anne-Claire Howard (Director, Procurement Group, UNOPS); Mr Mohammed Shoheler Rahman Chowdhury (Director, Central Procurement Technical Unit, Ministry of Planning, Bangladesh, online); Ms Marieke Weerdesteijn (Programme Manager, Circular and Fair ICT Pact, online); Mr Johan Rodenhuis (Strategic Sustainability Advisor IT, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy, Netherlands, online); Mr B. Dabeeding (Member, Procurement Policy Office, Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development, Mauritius, online); Prof Christopher Yukins (Prof, Government Procurement Program, GWU Law School, online); Dr Döne Yalçın (Managing Partner & Member of ESG and Sustainability Leadership, CMS)

**15:45 – 16:40  
GST**

### **Mobilising Climate Finance through Legal and Policy Solutions - High-Level Plenary II (Dubai Plenary)**

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87051554277>

What key milestones have MDBs and IFIs accomplished in the journey towards fulfilling climate finance goals, Sustainable Development Goals and Paris Agreement alignment commitments? What is the impact of these efforts on the ground in countries of operation?

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Expert Moderator: **Adv Vesselina Haralampieva** (Senior Counsel, EBRD)

Plenary Keynotes: **Adv Michael Strauss** (General Counsel, EBRD); **Adv Thomas M. Clark** (General Counsel, ADB); **Adv Leslie Sturtevant** (Deputy General Counsel, Intl Finance Corporation IFC World Bank Group); **Adv Gülen Newton** (General Counsel, Green Climate Fund GCF); **Adv Katherine Meighan** (Assoc Vice Pres & General Counsel, Intl Fund for Agricultural Development IFAD)

**16:40 – 17:10  
GST**

### **Scaling Up Climate Technology Through Law - High-Level Plenary III (Dubai Plenary)**

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87051554277>

How can law drive climate technologies, including for clean and renewable energies, adaptation and resilience, also climate repair and carbon removal, and what more is needed? How can climate-conscious lawyering, claims and dispute resolution scale up technology transfer?

Chair: **Adv Ayman Cherkaoui** (Director, Hassan II Intl Centre for Enviro Training / Deputy Chair, IUCN WCEL / CLGI Chair & Lead Counsel, CISDL) & **Adv Annette Magnusson** (Co-Founder, Climate Change Counsel)

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**17:10 – 18:30  
GST**

### **Closing & 2023 Global Climate Law & Governance Leadership Awards (Bali Hall)**

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88645359033>

Chairs: **Prof Tenia Kyriazi** (Deputy Director & Head of Law and Politics, MDX); **Dr Nasiruddeen Muhammad** (Asst Prof, Univ Dubai); **Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger** (Visiting Chair, Univ Cambridge / Prof, UVic / CLGI Exec Sec & Sen Dir, CISDL)

Closing Remarks: **Hon Justice Jawad Hassan** (Hon Sitting Judge, Lahore High Court, Pakistan); **Prof Ian Fry** (UN Rapporteur on Human Rights & Climate Change, United Nations) & **Adv Victor Mosoti** (Chief Counsel on Env & Intl Law, World Bank Legal Vice Presidency)

Master of Ceremonies: **Adv Ayman Cherkaoui** (Director, Hassan II Intl Centre for Enviro Training / Deputy Chair, IUCN WCEL / CLGI Chair & Lead Counsel, CISDL) & **Ms Mahine Rizvi Ahmad** (Senior Lecturer, MDX / Founding Member, MDX ISD) announce **International Climate Law & Governance Student Essay Competition Winners** and celebrate **Climate Law & Governance Global Leadership Award Laureates** for leading deans of faculties of law / senior professors of law; practitioners; leading negotiators; general counsel & climate law civil society leaders.

Toasts for laureates: **Adv Ilona Millar** (Partner, Gilbert & Tobin); **Adv Lara Douvartzidis** (Climate Lead, Intl Bar Association); **Dr Kishan Khoday** (MENA Regional Team Leader, UNDP); **Prof Ian Mauro** (Exec Dir, Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions)

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CLGI partners support an international programme of special preparatory, official side events & other sessions hosted by collaborating including among the Research and Independent NGOs (RINGOs) constituency and others at the COP26 and beyond:

- For COP28 delegates, observers, practitioners, students & others interested in learning more about the Paris Agreement & its international legal ramifications, a one-day intensive **Climate Law & Governance Specialisation Course**, offered in partnership with the CISDL & IUCN WCEL is offered in the University of Dubai's beautiful modern learning centre in Dubai & online on Thursday, 07 December 2023, resulting in a special certification ([Click here](#))

For COP28 delegates and observers in the Blue Zone or accredited to join online, please do join us:

- On Wednesday December 6 at 2PM GST: **Framing fusion regulations to stimulate acceptance, diversity, and equity in early fusion markets**, at the ITER Pavilion, hosted alongside Energy for the Common Good ([Click here](#))
- On Friday December 8 at 1:15PM GST: **Exploring Law as an Enabler of Nature Based Solutions for Climate Action**, at the IUCN 'Unite for Nature' Pavilion, co-hosted with IUCN World Commission on Enviro Law ([Click here](#))
- On Saturday December 9 at 10:30AM GST: **Teaching Climate Law and the Clean Energy Transition** at the GAUC Pavilion, hosted alongside a consortium of world-leading Universities ([Click here](#))
- On Sunday December 10 afternoon (tbc): **Climate Law for Highly Climate Vulnerable Countries** at the LDC Pavilion, hosted alongside the Government of Sierra Leone
- On Monday December 11 at 3PM GST: **Global Stocktake through Legal Lenses – Implementing outcomes via climate law & policy reform** at SE Room 8, co-hosted with Advocates for International Development (A4ID), Centre for Human Rights and Climate Change Research, Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions (PICS) at University of Victoria, and World Future Council ([Click here](#))

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CLGI will publish [blog contributions](#) during COP26, as well as legal working papers, articles and new books with world-leading presses based on COP26 collaborations, supporting further post-COP climate law and governance capacity-strengthening and partnership activities.

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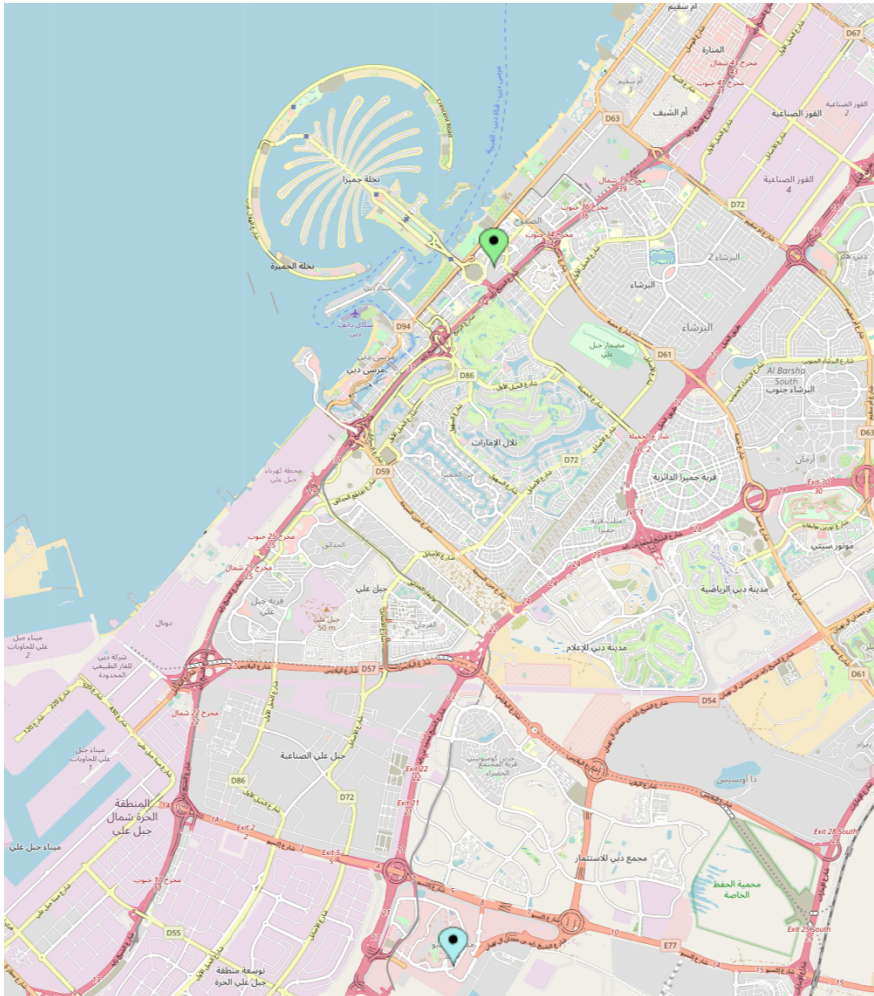
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