

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND HUMAN RIGHTS

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9:00 am - 9:30 am

Dr Marie-Élisabeth Baudoin, Clermont Auvergne University (France) Dr. Pavel Bureš, Palacky University (Czech Republic)

Opening Remarks

MORNING SESSION (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)

Panel 1: Environmental Protection – A Challenge to Rethink Human Rights

9:30 am - 9:50 am

Francesco Follieri, Full Professor of Administrative Law, LUM "Giuseppe Degennaro", Law Faculty (Italy) The Right to a Clean, Healthy, and Sustainable Environment: Transforming Human Rights or Reframing Environmental Protection?

9:50 am - 10:10 am

Prof. dr hab. Monika Anna Król, Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Lodz (Poland) The Right to Food and the Right to the Environment as a Category of Human Rights

10:10 am - 10:30 am

Jacopo Paffarini, Fellow researcher at the University of Perugia (Italy), Department of Law and Professor at the Atitus Educação Law School (Brasil)

The Interdependence Principle from Ecology to Human Rights: Perspectives on Water Governance

10:30 am – 10:50 am Discussion

10:50 am - 11:00 am Coffee Break

Panel 2: State Responses – A Constitutional Law Perspective

11:00 am - 11:20 am

Rike Krämer-Hoppe, Professor of Public Law and Transregional Norm Development, University of Regensburg (Germany) Human Rights Violation Arguments in Climate Change Litigation: A Comparative Study of the German Constitutional Court Order and the Decision of the Constitutional Court of Korea

11:20 am - 11:50 am

Laurianne Allezard, Researcher, Faculty of Law, Lund University (Sweden) Evolving Standards of Proportionality Review in Response to Environmental Challenges

11:50 am - 12:10 am

Anthony Murphy, Assistant professor PhD., Ovidius University of Constanța (Romania) The Legal Foundations of Ecological Resilience: Embedding Environmental Rights in the Constitution of Romania

12:10 am - 12:30 am Discussion



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AFTERNOON SESSION (2:15 PM - 4:30 PM)

Panel 3: Coordinating National and International Human Rights Protection Mechanisms

2:15 pm - 2:35 pm

Nicole Citeroni, Researcher, Faculty of Law, Lund University (Sweden)

Protecting the Environment with a Shield and Sword: The Need for Coordinated Interaction between Human Rights Law and International Criminal Law

2:35 pm – 2:55 pm Prof. PhD Florica Brasoveanu & Associate Prof. PhD Mădălina Botină, Ovidius University of Constanța (Romania) The Role of Human Rights in Shaping Ecological Constitutionalism

2:55 pm – 3:15 pm Discussion

3:15 pm – 3:35 pm Dr. Pavel Bureš, Palacký University (Czech Republic) Environmental and Human Rights Clauses as a Means to Implement ESG Principle

3:35 pm – 3:55 pm Prof. PhD Florica Brasoveanu & Associate Prof. PhD Mădălina Botină, Ovidius University of Constanța (Romania) The Protection of the Black Sea and the Danube Delta through Domestic and International Regulations

3:55 pm – 4:30 pm Discussion & Q&A

MORNING SESSION (9:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

Insights from Young Researchers on Environmental Law and Human Rights

9:00 am - 9:20 am

Denisa Hlušičková, PhD student, Palacky University (Czech republic) Human Rights and Climate Justice: Lessons from Czech Courts and the ECtHR

9:30 am - 9:50 am

Arthur Thévenet, PhD student, Clermont Auvergne & Palacky University (France) Is the Right to a Safe Environment an Individual or Collective Right?

10:00 am – 10:20 am Mariangela Barracchia, PhD student, LUM "Giuseppe Degennaro", Law Faculty (Italy) Environmental Protection as a Constitutional Principle

10:30 am - 10:45 am Coffee Break





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10:45 am - 11:05 am

Lena Gryz, PhD student, University of Lodz (Poland) The Right to the Environment and the Right to Cultural Heritage as Complementary Rights

11:15 am - 11:35 am

Antonio Niccolò Carchivi, PhD student, LUM "Giuseppe Degennaro", Law Faculty (Italy) Exploring the Evolving Landscape of Environmental Law: Participation, Rights, and Balancing Competing Interests

11:45 am – 12:05 am Carla Cozzi, PhD student, LUM "Giuseppe Degennaro", Law Faculty (Italy) The Russo-Ukrainian War and Energy Policies in Italy

12:15 am – 12:45 am Workshop Conclusion & Final Discussion

Over the past decade, various natural science studies have demonstrated the numerous negative consequences of environmental degradation caused by human activities. Environmental changes, particularly climate change, affect all aspects of human life and activity. Therefore the protection of the environment is of utmost importance. From a legal point of view, environment might be seen as a special value, an "object of protection" on the one hand. And on the other hand "a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment" might be grasped as a human right (as it was recognized by the UN Human Right Council in its resolution in 2021). In that sense the role of States and other stakeholders at international and national level is very important.

At the same time, the decisions issued by the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) on April 9, 2024, and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) on May 21, 2024, pose challenges to the State's ability to safeguard the environment and protect the rights of future generations in the face of competing interests. Several constitutional courts have already anticipated these international rulings by striking down climate-related laws deemed insufficient. Notable examples include the German Constitutional Court in March 2021 and the Korean Constitutional Court in August 2024.

The workshop will focus mainly on this double-side especially from the point of view of international and human rights law.









