

Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office







ILA BRITISH BRANCH SPRING CONFERENCE 2022

CALL FOR PAPERS

The International Law Association British Branch Annual Spring Conference will be held on Friday 29 April 2022 at the University of Surrey in hybrid mode on the theme 'International Law and Climate Change'. This conference will consider legal problems likely to emerge from ongoing changes resulting from climate change and its consequences, as set out in the 2021 IPCC report. Panels comprising a mixture of invited and selected speakers will be convened on the following themes:

- 1. IMPACT OF RISING SEA LEVELS ON MIGRATION AND STATEHOOD;
- 2. CLIMATE CHANGE AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INVESTMENT LAW;
- 3. HUMAN RIGHTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE; AND
- 4. LITIGATING ON CLIMATE CHANGE.

A keynote dinner speech will be delivered by **Professor Catherine Redgwell** (Chichele Professor of Public International Law, University of Oxford) Confirmed speakers include:

- Professor Nilufer Oral (Istanbul Bilgi University, International Law Commission)
- > Professor Laurence Boisson de Chazournes (University of Geneva, Matrix Chambers)
- Professor André Nollkaemper (University of Amsterdam)
- Professor Christina Voigt (University of Oslo)
- Ms Oonagh Sands (Fietta LLP)
- Ms Michelle Jonker-Argueta (Senior Legal Counsel for Strategic Litigation, Greenpeace International)
- Dr Joana Setzer (London School of Economics)
- Professor Lavanya Rajamani (University of Oxford)
- Ms Wendy Miles Q.C. (20 Essex Street Chambers)
- Professor Alan Boyle (University of Edinburgh)
- Dr Annalisa Savaresi (University of Eastern Finland)
- Ms Lucy Maxwell (Senior Legal Associate, Climate Litigation Network, Urgenda Foundation)

The Organising Committee invite abstracts of no more than 300 words from academics and practitioners on any of the aforementioned panels. Submissions must contain: the title; the panel to which the submission is directed; and the name, email address and affiliation of the author. To facilitate time management, joint submissions are discouraged. As a guide, indicative questions that might be considered include: emission-trading schemes; environmental regulations in trade agreements; fair and equitable treatment in national mitigation strategies; climate-induced migration; potential loss of Statehood; manifestation of the 'right to a healthy environment'; development of an international crime of 'eco-cide'; and implementation of the Paris Agreement in national courts.

Subject to Government rules, the general expectation is that speakers based in the United Kingdom will present in person. In light of the pandemic and the need to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions, arrangements have been put in place to facilitate the virtual participation of speakers and delegates who are based outside the United Kingdom.

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Abstracts should be sent to **ilaconference@surrey.ac.uk** by **1 February 2022**. Participants will be notified of the outcome by 18 February.

