

7th International Conference European University Institute - University of Portsmouth

Climate, Energy, and Environmental Justices and Transitions: rethinking global environmental law

6 - 7 July, 2023

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Introduction

Climate change and the onset of events linked to extreme climatic weather may prompt the next global crisis. In a post-COVID context, this emphasizes the need to properly address emerging transnational environmental challenges and, at the same time, operate speedy energy transitions. Against this backdrop, the Conference focuses on the varieties of legal responses to global environmental problems and their impact on justice. As the climate, energy, and environmental justice, we understand that it refers to the concerns regarding the redistributive, restorative, and procedural issues raised by the challenges of making a transition to a more sustainable environment and how legal systems responded to it, whether from International law, EU law, or a multi legal system perspective described as Global law.

The '7th International Conference EUI – and the University of Portsmouth', co-organized by Florence School of Regulation (FSR-Energy & Climate), RSCAS, are hosting several legal and economics scholars who submitted abstracts and got acceptance to present their papers on Climate, Energy, and Environmental Justices, as well as Wildlife Crime, Blue Governance and Biopiracy.

Draft Programme

6 July

09:15 - 09:30 *Welcome coffee*

09:30 - 09:45 Introduction

Lucila de Almeida | FSR/RSCAS/EUI and NOVA School of Law

Belen Olmos Giupponi | University of Portsmouth

Keynote Joint Session 1

09:45 - 10:30 Room: Sala del Capitolo

Chair: **Lucila de Almeida** | FSR/RSCAS/EUI and NOVA School of Law

Leaving no one behind in EU policy making in the framework of EU Green Deal? A just transition as socio-economic transformations resulting from energy transitions.

Anna Sobczak | European Commission

10:30 - 10:45 *Coffee break*

Parallel Session A – Energy Justice I

10:45 - 12:45 Room: Sala del Capitolo

Chair: **Sofia Nicolai** | FSR/RSCAS/EUI

A just transition is not just a transition: an energy poverty-framed just energy transition.

Miguel Angel Rios | Comillas Pontifical University

The political economy of coal in Bulgaria: lost in transition

Toma Pavlov | Hertie School

Energy law in crisis? The application of EU energy legal framework to Ukraine and Moldova's power grids' synchronization with continental Europe

Anna Butenko | ENTSO-e

Storage for energy justice in EU law: the role of Energy Communities

Esmeralda Colombo | RFF-CMCC European Institute on Economics and the Environment

Q&A and open discussion

Parallel Session A – Climate Justice I

10:45 - 12:45 Parallel online room

Chair: **Penny Giosa** | University of Portsmouth

Good for the climate but bad for the environment: balancing environmental protection and climate change mitigation

Fayokemi Olorundami | Nottingham Trent University

Utilizing transparency as a corporate sustainability strategy to combat climate change

Charalampia Mikropoulou | University of Aix Marseille

Land grabs and climate change: customary land tenure possibilities
Zvikomborero Chadambuka | Villanova Law School in Pennsylvania

Climate change litigation and green criminology: seeking climate change through the lens of the legal system
Manan Tak | Nirma University

Q&A and open discussion

12:45 - 14:00 *Lunch break*

Keynote Joint Session 2

14:00 - 14:45 Room: Sala del Capitolo

Chair: **Belen Olmos Giupponi** | University of Portsmouth

Practical steps to a just transition to a low-carbon economy
Raphael Heffron | Universite de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour

Parallel Session B – Climate Justice II

14:45 - 16:45 Room: Sala del Capitolo

Chair: **Max Munchmeyer** | EUI/RSCAS/FSR and Law Department

Aid and climate change: the case of climate and carbon financing in Mozambique
Annamaria La Chimia | University of Nottingham
Lea Di Salvatore | University of Nottingham

Environmental justice through climate change litigation in Africa: a conversation across cases
Abubakar Isa Umar | Bayero University Kano

Do some islands take climate change more seriously than others? On the UK government's net zero strategy and the international response to domestic failures
Thomas Baycock | University of Exeter
Tiago de Melo Cartaxo | University of Exeter

The new EU organic trading policy: a new weapon against climate change?
Penny Giosa | University of Portsmouth

Q&A and open discussion

Parallel Session B – Energy Justice II

14:45 - 16:45 Parallel online room

Chair: **Lucila de Almeida** | EUI/RSCAS/FSR and NOVA School of Law

Applying an energy justice approach to solve the Australian solar waste crisis
Penelope Crossley | University of Sydney

India-solar cells rewriting from a decolonial perspective
Angelica Rutherford | Keele University

Energy transition in South Africa and its complex relationship with the extractive industries: the case of lithium mining

Alois Aldridge Mugadza | University of Groningen

The conditioning of the critical minerals mining sector by energy justice and social contract

Chioma Basil | Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour

Q&A and open discussion

16:45 - 17:15 *Coffee break*

Keynote Joint Session 3

17:15 - 18:00 Room: Sala del Capitolo

Chair: **Caroline Cox** | University of Portsmouth

The development of a conservation social science – The central role of criminology

Nick Pamment | University of Portsmouth

18:15 *Welcome cocktail & dinner*

7 July Keynote Joint Session 4

09:30 - 10:15 Room: Sala del Capitolo

Chair: **Penny Giosa** | University of Portsmouth

A story part told: The role of courts in climate governance

Suzanne Kingston | Court of Justice of European Union

10:15 - 10:30 *Coffee break*

Joint Session C – Environmental Justice I

10:30 - 12:30 Room: Sala del Capitolo

Chair: **Ginevra Le Moli** | FSR/RSCAS/EUI

Challenges in the transition to a low-carbon economy through the case of peatlands in Ireland

Alessandra Accogli | UCD Sutherland School of Law

Rights of nature and its effective use in climate litigation: the role of indigenous and local values

Mohammad Golam Sarwar | University of Dhaka

Beyond crime: the case for zemiological methodology in addressing environmental and state corporate crimes

Bhavya Tandon | Jindal Global University

Integrating sustainability concerns in financial supervision – exploring complementarities across institutional contexts

Agnieszka Smoleńska | Polish Academy of Sciences

Q&A and open discussion

12:30 - 13:30 *Lunch break*

Parallel Session D – Wildlife Crime, Blue Governance and Biopiracy I

13:30 - 15:30 Room: Sala del Capitolo

Chair: **Caroline Cox** | University of Portsmouth

To optimize the fight against wildlife trafficking: towards a more harmonized international legal framework

Meganne Natali | Independent researcher & International environmental and animal lawyer

Corruption among the good actors against environmental crime

Andy Huynh | UNODC and Carthage College

Protecting traditional knowledge from biopiracy: an analysis of legal and policy framework in India

Rishi Gusain | Christ (Deemed to Be) University, Bangalore, India

Anjali Shanker | Christ (Deemed to Be) University, Bangalore, India

Navigating the troubled waters: international trade and blue governance can be financially supported?

Ishita Das | Nalsar University

Anurag Agarwal | Chambers of Justice Aniruddha Bose, Supreme Court of India

Not so dead as a dodo: the ethics of de-extinction

Luke Hauser | University of Portsmouth

Q&A and open discussion

Parallel Session D – Environmental Justice II

13:30 - 15:30 Parallel online room

Chair: **Claire Bright** | NOVA School of Law

Shipbreaking through the lens of environmental justice: one man's trash is another man's treasure

Ioanna Hadjiyianni | University of Cyprus

Environmental injustice as a peril of colonialism: lessons from Nigeria's environmental impact assessment law and practice

Synda Obaji | University of Birmingham

Addressing transnational ecological challenges from below: a global perspective

Liliana Lizarazo | The Brussels School of Governance

Q&A and open discussion

15:30 -15:45 *Coffee break*

Keynote Joint Session 5

15:45 - 16:30 Room: Sala del Capitolo

Chair: **Belen Olmos Giupponi** | University of Portsmouth

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Jeff Colgan | Brown University

Conclusion

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