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SYMPOSIUM ON JUDGES AND THE ENVIRONMENT: THE IMPACT OF THE STOCKHOLM DECLARATION IN SHAPING GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND JURISPRUDENCE

**Associated Event of the
UN Stockholm+50 Conference
31 May – 1 June 2022**

In-Person at Radisson Blu Waterfront Hotel, Stockholm Waterfront Congress Centre, Room C1-C2, Stockholm, Sweden and Virtual via Zoom

The two-day Symposium will bring together Supreme Court Justices and senior judges as key actors in the implementation of the Environmental Rule of Law. It will be held in conjunction with the United Nations' Stockholm+50 Conference commemorating the 50th anniversary of the original United Nations Conference on the Human Environment in 1972.

The Symposium addresses three main themes related to the role of the judiciary in the implementation of the Environmental Rule of Law. First, judges play a critical role in incorporating international environmental law, agreements, and declarations into national and subnational law. This event will provide a forum for high court judges from around the world to reflect on how the Stockholm Declaration has shaped and continues to influence current law and legal thinking. Second, within the context of environmental justice, the event will discuss strengthening judicial independence and integrity as absolute prerequisites of the Environmental Rule of Law. Third, an additional challenge for judiciaries around the world is the question of judicial education in the area of Environmental Law. This symposium will provide a space for Judicial Academies and institutions that conduct educational programs for judges to speak about their experiences and establish opportunities for collaboration that can improve understanding and methods for approaching an increasingly complex area of law.

Through this event, suggestions will be collected for a GJIE Plan, developed by and for judges, for the next decades in order to improve Environmental Rule of Law and establish the role of an independent judiciary in fulfilling environmental law promises and safeguarding recognized environmental rights.

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Day 1— The Stockholm Declaration and Its Impact on International
and National Environmental Law and Jurisprudence
31 May 2022

OPENING CEREMONY

9:00–9:30 am Stockholm

3:00–3:30 am New York
4:00–4:30 am Brasilia
8:00–8:30 am London
10:00–10:30 am Nairobi
12:00–12:30 pm Islamabad
3:00–3:30 pm Manila
5:00–5:30 pm Sydney

(30 minutes)

Welcome and Opening Remarks

- **Judge Hanna Werth**, President, Swedish Judges Association
- **Patricia Kameri-Mbote**, Director, United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) Law Division and Professor, University of Nairobi Law School
- **Thomas Clark**, General Counsel, Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- **Michael Strauss**, General Counsel, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Chair: Justice Antonio Herman Benjamin, National High Court of Brazil (STJ), President of the Global Judicial Institute on the Environment (GJIE), and Chair Emeritus, IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL)

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5:30–5:45 pm Sydney

(15 minutes)

Symposium Introduction by the Academic Coordinators

- **Nicholas Bryner**, Professor, Louisiana State University School of Law
- **Denise Antolini**, Professor, University of Hawaii School of Law

Opening Keynotes: Stockholm+50 – Reflections about the Past, Present and Future

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8:45–10:00 am London
10:45–12:00 am Nairobi
12:45–2:00 pm Islamabad
3:45–5:00 pm Manila
5:45–7:00 pm Sydney

(75 minutes)

Speakers

- **Jeffrey Sachs**, Professor, Director, Center for Sustainable Development at Columbia University and President, UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network: *Judges and Sustainable Development* (virtual)
- **Nicholas Robinson**, Professor, Pace Law School; President, ICEL; Chair Emeritus, IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law: *Environmental Law—Achievements and Gaps since the 1972 Stockholm Declaration*

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- **Justice Ragnhild Noer**, Supreme Court of Norway
- **Christina Pak**, Principal Counsel, ADB

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WELLNESS BREAK

11:00–11:15 am Stockholm

5:15–5:30 am New York; 6:15–6:30 am Brasilia; 10:15 am–10:30 am London;

12:15–12:30 pm Nairobi; 2:15–2:30 pm Islamabad; 5:15–5:30 pm Manila;

7:15–7:30 pm Sydney

(15 minutes)

Panel Session 1: Emerging Trends in Environmental Law

11:15 am–12:00 pm Stockholm

5:15–6:00 am New York

6:15–7:00 am Brasilia

10:15–11:00 am London

12:15–1:00 pm Nairobi

2:15–3:00 pm Islamabad

5:15–6:00 pm Manila

7:15–8:00 pm Sydney

(45 minutes)

Speakers

- **Jonas Ebbesson**, Professor and former Dean, University of Stockholm School of Law: *The Swedish Environmental Law Model—A Panorama and Lessons Learned*
- **Émilie Gaillard**, Lecturer in Environmental and Human Rights Law Sciences Po Rennes, General Coordinator of the Normandy Chair for Peace (CNRS): *Towards a Transgenerational Implementation of Fundamental Environmental Rights and Duties*

Co-Chairs

- **Justice Sapana Pradhan Malla**, Supreme Court of Nepal, and Secretary-General, GJIE
- **Judge Anders Bengtsson**, Former Senior Judge, Land and Environment Court, Växjö, Sweden

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MORNING SESSION CLOSING KEYNOTE ADDRESSES

12:00–12:45 pm Stockholm

6:00–6:45 am New York

7:00–7:45 am Brasilia

11:00–11:45 am London

1:00–1:45 pm Nairobi

3:00–3:45 pm Islamabad

6:00–6:45 pm Manila

8:00–8:45 pm Sydney

(45 minutes)

The Environmental Rule of Law, Climate Change and Ecocide

Speakers

- **Christina Voigt**, Professor, Oslo University School of Law; Chair, IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law: *Environmental Law Priorities and Challenges after Stockholm+50*
- **Jojo Mehta**, Co-founder & Executive Director of Stop Ecocide International: *The Establishment of Ecocide as an International Crime*
- **Chair: Justice Ambeng Kandakasi**, Deputy Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Papua New Guinea

GROUP PHOTO SESSION AND LUNCH

12:45–2:00 pm Stockholm

6:45–8:00 am New York; 7:45–9:00 am Brasilia; 11:45 am–1:00 pm London;

1:45–3:00 pm Nairobi; 3:45–5:00 pm Islamabad; 6:45–8:00 pm Manila;

8:45–10:00 pm Sydney

(1 hour 15 minutes)

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Panel Session 2: Emerging Environmental Law Principles Since the Stockholm Declaration

2:00–3:00 pm Stockholm

8:00–9:00 am New York

9:00–10:00 am Brasilia

1:00–2:00 pm London

3:00–4:00 pm Nairobi

5:00–6:00 pm Islamabad

8:00–9:00 pm Manila

10:00–11:00 pm Sydney

(1 hour)

Speakers

- **David Boyd**, United Nations (UN) Rapporteur for Human Rights and the Environment; Professor, University of British Columbia
- **Justice Antonio Herman Benjamin**, National High Court of Brazil (STJ)
- **Justice Ricardo Lorenzetti**, Supreme Court of Argentina; Professor, University of Buenos Aires (virtual)

Co-Chairs

- **Justice Michele Weeks**, High Court of Barbados (virtual)
- **Justice Damaris Vargas**, Supreme Court of Costa Rica (virtual)

3:00–3:30 pm Stockholm

9:00–9:30 am New York

10:00–10:30 am Brasilia

2:00–2:30 pm London

4:00–4:30 pm Nairobi

6:00–6:30 pm Islamabad

9:00–9:30 pm Manila

11:00–11:30 pm Sydney

(30 minutes)

Discussion

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11:30 pm–12:00 am Sydney

(30 minutes)

Panel Session 3: Climate Change and Courts - A Global Dialogue

4:00–5:30 pm Stockholm

10:00–11:30 am New York
11:00 am–12:30 pm Brasilia
3:00–4:30 pm London
5:00–6:30 pm Nairobi
7:00–8:30 pm Islamabad
10:00–11:30 pm Manila
12:00 1:30 am Sydney

(1 hour 30 minutes)

Speakers

- **Justice Brian Preston**, Chief Justice, Land and Environment Court, New South Wales, Australia
- **Justice Fabien Raynaud**, Conseil d'État, France (virtual)
- **Justice Syed Mansoor Ali Shah**, Supreme Court of Pakistan
- **Justice Michael Wilson**, Supreme Court of Hawaii
- **Judge Liu Zhumei**, Chief Judge of the Environment and Resources Division of the Supreme People's Court of the People's Republic of China (virtual)
- **Maria Cecilia T. Sicangco**, Senior Legal Officer, ADB

Co-Chairs

- **Andrea Brusco**, UNEP Environmental Governance Regional Coordinator, Panama City (virtual)
- **Justice Beibut Shermukhametov**, Supreme Court of Kazakhstan

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EARTH DAY NETWORK



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5:30–6:00 pm Stockholm

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8:30–9:00 pm Islamabad
11:30 pm–12:00 am Manila
1:30–2:00 am Sydney

(30 minutes)

Discussion

Concluding Session of Day 1

6:00–6:30 pm Stockholm

12:00–12:30 am New York
1:00–1:30 pm Brasilia
5:00–5:30 pm London
7:00–7:30 pm Nairobi
9:00–9:30 pm Islamabad
12:00–12:30 am Manila
2:00–2:30 am Sydney

(30 minutes)

Keynote Address: UNEP and the Three Planetary Crises (Climate, Biodiversity and Pollution)

Keynote Speaker

▪ **Inger Andersen**, Secretary-General of the Stockholm+50 International Meeting and Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP): *UNEP+50 — Challenges and Prospects*

Chair: Justice Alfredo Gutierrez, Supreme Court of Mexico (virtual)

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Day 2—Access to Justice and Judicial Education on Environmental Law

1 June 2022

9:00–9:15 am Stockholm

3:00–3:15 am New York
4:00–4:15 am Brasilia
8:00–8:15 am London
10:00–10:15 am Nairobi
12:00–12:15 pm Islamabad
3:00–3:15 pm Manila
5:00–5:15 pm Sydney

Opening

Panel Session 4: Official Launch of the Global Judicial Environmental Portal

9:15–10:00 am Stockholm

3:15–4:00 am New York
4:15–5:00 am Brasilia
8:15–8:00 am London
10:15–11:00 am Nairobi
12:15–1:00 pm Islamabad
3:15–4:00 pm Manila
5:15–6:00 pm Sydney

(45 minutes)

Speakers

- **Justice Antonio Herman Benjamin**, National High Court of Brazil (STJ) and President, Global Judicial Institute on the Environment
- **Eva Duer**, Legal Officer and Team Leader, Collective Intelligence for Environmental Governance, UNEP INFORMEA, Geneva (virtual)
- **Judge Marc Clément**, Presiding Judge, Administrative Court of Lyon, France (virtual)
- **Peter Speelman**, Associate Legal Officer, Collective Intelligence for Environmental Governance, UNEP INFORMEA, Geneva (virtual)

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- **Justice Luc Lavrysen**, President, Constitutional Court of Belgium; Chair, European Union Forum of Judges for the Environment (virtual)
- **Donald Kaniaru**, ICEL and Former Director of UNEP Law Division

Panel Session 5: Theory and Practice of the Environmental Rule of Law, with Special Emphasis on Independence, Integrity and the Use of Technology in the Judiciary

10:00–11:00 am Stockholm

4:00–5:00 am New York
5:00–6:00 am Brasilia
9:00–10:00 am London
11:00 am–12:00 pm Nairobi
1:00–2:00 pm Islamabad
4:00–5:00 pm Manila
6:00–7:00 pm Sydney

(1 hour)

Speakers

- **Justice Suntariya Muanpawong**, Vice Chief Justice of the Region 5 (Thailand)
- **Justice Karen Zarikyan**, Administrative Court of the Republic of Armenia
- **Justice Samson Okong'o**, Presiding Judge, Environment and Land Court of Kenya
- **Federal Judge Marcus Livio Gomes**, National Judicial Council of Brazil (CNJ) – (virtual)

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- **Vesselina Haralampieva**, Senior Counsel at European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
- **Carl Bruch**, Environmental Law Institute (ELI)

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(15 minutes)

Discussion

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7:15–7:30 pm Sydney
(15 minutes)

PANEL SESSION 6: Access to Justice: Nature, Indigenous Peoples and Environmental Rule of Law

11:30 am–12:45 pm Stockholm

5:30–6:45 am New York
6:30–7:45 am Brasilia
10:30–11:45 am London
12:30–1:45 pm Nairobi
2:30–3:45 pm Islamabad
5:30–6:45 pm Manila
7:30–8:45 pm Sydney

Speakers

- **Arnold Kreilhuber**, Deputy Director, UNEP Law Division, Nairobi: *Environmental Defenders* (virtual)
- **Justice Joe Williams**, Supreme Court of New Zealand: *Rights of Nature and Indigenous People* (virtual)
- **Kristen Walker**, Chair, IUCN CEESP: *Reimagining Environmental Justice*
- **Daniel Magraw**, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies: *Substantive Access to Justice: The Right to a Healthy Environment* (virtual)

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(1 hour 15 minutes)	<p>Co-Chairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Georgina Lloyd, Regional Coordinator (Asia and the Pacific) of Environmental Law and Governance, UNEP Bangkok (virtual) ▪ Maryna Yanush, United Nations Commission for Europe (UNECE), Geneva
<p>12:45–1:00 pm Stockholm ***</p> <p>6:45–7:00 am New York 7:45–8:00 am Brasilia 11:45 am–12:00 pm London 1:45–2:00 pm Nairobi 3:45–4:00 pm Islamabad 6:45–7:00 pm Manila 8:45–9:00 pm Sydney</p> <p>(15 minutes)</p>	<p>Discussion</p>

LUNCH

1:00–2:30 pm Stockholm
7:00 am 8:00–9:30 am Brasilia; 12:00–1:30 pm London; 2:00–3:30 pm Nairobi
4:00–5:30 pm Islamabad; 7:00–8:30 pm Manila; 9:00–10:30 pm Sydney
(1 hour 30 minutes)

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Panel Session 7: Global Panorama of Judicial Environmental Law Education

2:30–4:00 pm Stockholm

8:30–10:00 am New York

9:30–11:00 am Brasilia

1:30–3:00 pm London

3:30–5:00 pm Nairobi

5:30–7:00 pm Islamabad

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10:30 pm–12:00 am Sydney

(1 hour 30 minutes)

Speakers

- **Justice Nambitha Dambuza**, President, African Network of Judicial Academies and the Environment
- **Robert Wabunoha**, UNEP Regional Environment Governance Coordinator, Nairobi (virtual)
- **Scott Fulton**, President Emeritus and International Envoy, Environment Law Institute —Washington D.C.
- **Justice Bambang Hery Mulyono**, Supreme Court of Indonesia; Head of the Judicial Technical Education and Training Center
- **Briony Eales**, Team Leader, Environment and Climate Change Judicial Program, ADB
- **Dimitri de Boer**, ClientEarth Chief Representative for China (virtual)

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- **Justice C. Adèle Kent**, Chief Judicial Officer Emerita, National Judicial Institute, Canada (virtual)
- **Gomolemo Moshoeu**, Director, Judicial Academy of South Africa (SAJEI)

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Discussion

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12:20–12:30 am Sydney

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CLOSING SESSION OF THE SYMPOSIUM

4:30–5:20 pm Stockholm

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10:30–11:20 pm Manila
12:30–1:20 am Sydney

(50 minutes)

Keynote Addresses: Environment, Biodiversity, Law & Development

Keynote Speakers

- **Achim Steiner**, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- **Elizabeth Mrema**, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)

Co-Chairs

- **José Igreja Matos**, President, International Association of Judges (IAJ)
- **Christina Voigt**, Professor, Oslo University School of Law; Chair, IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law

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11:20–11:30 pm Manila
1:20–1:30 am Sydney

(10 minutes)

Symposium Synthesis Remarks

- **Denise Antolini**, Professor, University of Hawaii School of Law
- **Nicholas Bryner**, Professor, Louisiana State University School of Law

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1:30–2:15 am Sydney

(45 minutes)

Closing Keynote Addresses

Speakers

- **José Igreja Matos**, President, International Association of Judges (IAJ)
- **Bruno Oberle** (IUCN Director-General)

Co-Chairs

- **Justice Nambitha Dambuza**, President, African Network of Judicial Academies and the Environment
- **Justice Ananda Mohan Bhattarai**, Supreme Court of Nepal (virtual)

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2:15 am Sydney

Formal Closing Remarks and Partner Recognition

Speakers

- **Justice Sapana Pradhan Malla**, Supreme Court of Nepal, and Secretary-General, GJIE
- **Christina Pak**, Principal Counsel, ADB
- **Andrew Raine**, UNEP Head of International Environmental Law Unit, Nairobi
- **Kathleen Rogers**, President, Earth Day

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