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2019 JUDICIAL COLLOQUIUM

SDG16: ROLE OF JUDICIARY IN PROMOTING THE RULE OF LAW **IN ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

27-28 February 2019

Geneva, Palais des Nations, Salle VII

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2019

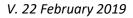
	I. INAUGURAL SESSION
10:00 – 11:00	Welcoming remarks:
	Mr. Marco Keiner, Director, Environment Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
	Ms. Sylvie Motard, Acting Director and Europe Regional Representative for Europe Regional Office, United Nations Environment Programme
	Justice Antonio Benjamin, Chair of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law and Judge of the National High Court of Brazil (video-message)
	Justice Luc Lavrysen, Chair of the Colloquium, President of the European Union Forum of Judges for the Environment and Judge of the Constitutional Court of Belgium
	Keynote address: Ms. Eleanor V.E. Sharpston, Advocate General, Court of Justice of the European Union The CJEU's recent case-law on access to justice in environmental matters – helping to wedge the door open
	Moderator: Mr. Jan Darpo, Chair of the Aarhus Convention Task Force on Access to Justice













	II. PROMOTING EFFECTIVE ACCESS TO JUSTICE AND THE RULE OF LAW FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
	(A) Justice in Environmental matters and Sustainable Development Goals
	i. Toward the Global Recognition of the Right to a Healthy and Sustainable Environment Mr. David Boyd, Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and the Environment (video message)
	 Ms. Soo Young Hwang, Human Rights Officer, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Special Procedures ii. Environmental Constitutionalism: linking Sustainable Development, Environment and Human Rights Mr. James May, Professor of Law, Widener University – Delaware Law School, USA iii. The Aarhus Convention and the role of courts in interpreting and applying environmental constitutional provisions Justice Miroslav Gavalec, Judge, Supreme Court, Slovakia
	(B) Delivering effective access to justice to all: the Aarhus Convention
	i. Enabling the public to effectively challenge administrative decision-making in environmental matters in court Mr. Jan Darpo, Chair of the Aarhus Convention Task Force on Access to Justice
11:00 - 18:00	Justice Oleksandr Prokopenko, Judge, Supreme Court, Ukraine
(1 p.m	<i>ii.</i> Effective judicial review (scope of review, timeliness, injunctive relief, remedies, costs)
group photo)	Justice Marc Clement, Judge, Administrative Court of Lyon, France
	The Honourable Mr Justice Dove, High Court Judge, United Kingdom
	 iii. Prevention of persecution and harassment (e.g. strategic lawsuits against public participation, awarding unreasonable costs) Justice Ksenija Dimec, Judge, County Court of Rijeka, Croatia
	Lead Discussant: Mr. Louis Kotze, Professor of Law, University of Lincoln, United Kingdom
	C) Use of international law in environmental adjudication: linkages between the Aarhus Convention and other UNECE multilateral environmental agreements
	 i. Espoo Convention and SEA Protocol – Ms. Elena Santer, secretary to the Implementation Committee under the Convention and the Protocol, UNECE ii. Air Convention – Ms. Albena Karadjova, secretary to the Convention, UNECE iii. Water Convention – Mr. Martins Paparinskis, member of the Convention's Implementation Committee iv. Protocol on Water and Health - Ms. Zsuzsanna Kocsis-Kupper, member of the
	 Protocol's Compliance Committee Industrial Accidents Convention – Ms. Claudia Kamke, Environmental Affairs Officer, Convention's Secretariat, UNECE
	Lead discussant: Ms. Erin Daly, Professor of Law, Widener University – Delaware Law School, USA

