

2022 JUDICIAL COLLOQUIUM

ADJUDICATION OF CASES RELATED TO CLIMATE CHANGE AND AIR QUALITY

(V. 22 April 2022)

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Chair of the Judicial Colloquium: Mr. Luc Lavrysen, Chair of the Aarhus Convention Task Force on Access to Justice, President of the European Union Forum of Judges for the Environment and President of the Constitutional Court of Belgium

TUESDAY, 26 APRIL 2022 10:00 – 13:00 and 15:00 – 18:00

I. INAUGURAL SESSION

Welcoming remarks:

- Mr. Marco Keiner, Director, Environment Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)
- Mr. Arnold Kreilhuber, Deputy Director, Law Division, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- Mr. Antonio Benjamin, President of the Global Judicial Institute on the Environment and Judge at the National High Court of Brazil (STJ) (video-message)

10:00 - 12:00

II. SETTING THE SCENE

Speakers:

- Mr. Zamirbek Bazarbekov, Chief Justice, Supreme Court, Kyrgyzstan
- Mr. Matthias Guyomar, Judge, European Court of Human Rights
- Ms. Christina Voigt, Chair, IUCN World Commission of Environmental Law
- Ms. Maria Antonia Tigre, Global Climate Litigation Fellow, Sabin Center For Climate Change Law / UNEP
- Ms. Albena Karadjova, Secretary to the UNECE Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution

The session will focus on current trends and recent developments in adjudication of different types of cases related to climate change and air quality in the light of the requirements of the Aarhus Convention and other relevant international law.











III. PROMOTING EFFECTIVE ACCESS TO JUSTICE IN CASES RELATED TO CLIMATE CHANGE AND AIR QUALITY

The session will focus on good practices, challenges and innovative approaches to meet the requirements of the Aarhus Convention with regard to:

12:00 - 13:00

III (A) Enabling the public to bring a case

Speakers:

- Ms. Sibila Simeonova, Judge, Supreme Administrative Court of Bulgaria
- Mr. Joost Pikkemaat, Advisor, Ministry of Infrastructure & Water Management, and Judge at the Arnhem-Leeuwarden Court of Appeal, the Netherlands

Participants will be invited to discuss different types of cases to address climate change and air quality related issues and existing approaches to standing in these cases to ensure effective access to justice.

13:00 - 15:00

BREAK FOR LUNCH

15:00-15:30

III (A) Enabling the public to bring a case

(continued)

 Ms. Sabine Schlacke, Professor, University Greifswalt and Vice President, Constitutional Court of Bremen, Germany

III (B) Scope of review

Speakers:

- Ms. Marie Baker, Judge, Supreme Court of Ireland
- Ms. Lauma Paeglkalna, Judge, Supreme Court of Latvia
- Mr. Beibut Shermukhametov, Judge, Supreme Court of Kazakhstan
- Ms. Sholpan Daniyarova, Judge, Supreme Court of Kazakhstan

Participants will be invited to discuss possible factors affecting the scope and extent of substantive and procedural legality review in these cases and share experiences, good practices and challenges in resolving questions of law and facts.

III (C) Adequate and effective remedies and enforcement

Speakers:

17:00 - 18:00

15:30 - 17:00

- Mr. Fabien Raynaud, Counsellor, Council of State, France
- Mr. David Boyd, United Nations Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and the Environment











WEDNESDAY, 27 APRIL 2022 10:00 - 13:00

III. PROMOTING EFFECTIVE ACCESS TO JUSTICE IN CASES **RELATED TO CLIMATE CHANGE AND AIR QUALITY**

III (C) Adequate and effective remedies and enforcement (continued)

10:00 - 11:00

- Mr. Luca Galli, Assistant Professor, University of Milano-Bicocca
- Mr. Adam Daniel Nagy, Legal and Policy Officer, European Commission

Participants will be invited to discuss different types of remedies in public interest and other cases, temporary and permanent injunctive relief and enforcement of decisions and their effectiveness.

IV. STRENGTHENING JUDICIAL COOPERATION

Speakers

- Mr. Antonio Benjamin, President of the Global Judicial Institute on the Environment and Judge at the National High Court of Brazil
- Mr. Bambang Hery Mulyono, Supreme Court of Indonesia and Asian Judges Network on Environment
- Ms. Marianna Bolshakova, Regional Coordinator, Environmental Law and Governance, UNEP

The session will focus on recent and upcoming developments regarding cooperation and networking among the judiciary. After the introductory presentations, participants will be invited to discuss needs at the global, ECE regional and sub-regional levels and the opportunities for strengthening cooperation and networking.

V. CLOSING: KEY OUTCOMES AND NEXT STEPS

12:45 - 13:00

11:00 - 12:45

Speaker

Mr. Luc Lavrysen, Chair of the Judicial Colloquium

Further Information:

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