



Courts & Climate Change Global Conference

Monday 29 November 2021

PROGRAM

Time (CET)	Time (AEDT)	Activity
5.00 – 5.10am	3.00 – 3.10pm	Conference Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country
		Associate Professor Lise Barry, Dean of Macquarie Law School, Macquarie University
5.10 – 5.20am	3.10 – 3.20pm	Overview of Issues
		Professor Carlos Bernal-Pulido (University of Dayton, Macquarie University)
		Panel 1: Climate Change Litigation in Australia
5.20 – 6.20am	3.20 – 4.20pm	 Professor Tina Soliman Hunter, Panel Chair (Macquarie University) Associate Professor Justine Bell-James (University of Queensland): Climate change litigation in Australia concerning human rights Dr Michelle Lim (Macquarie University): Law at the Biodiversity-Climate-Equity Nexus - The legal implications of the IPBES-IPCC Workshop Report Professor Ben Richardson (University of Tasmania): Asserting the climate emergency defense when facing criminal law charges relating to civil disobedience
6.20 – 6.50am	4.20 – 4.50pm	Panel 1: Q&A
		Moderated by Professor Tina Soliman Hunter
6.50 – 7.05am	4.50 – 5.05pm	Break
7.05 –	5.05 – 5.15pm	Keynote Address Introduction & Commentary on Issues
7.15am		Professor Michel Tison, Dean of the Faculty of Law & Criminology Ghent University
7.15 – 7.45am	5.15 – 5.45pm	Keynote Address
		The Hon. Justice Brian J Preston FRSN SC FAAL, Chief Judge of the Land and Environment Court of New South Wales – Climate Change in the Courts
		Keynote Address
7.45 – 8.15am	5.45 – 6.15 pm	Professor Dr Luc Lavrysen, Judge of the Constitutional Court of Belgium and Professor at Ghent University School of Law – Climate Change in the Courts: A European Perspective
8.15 – 8.45am	6.15 – 6.45 pm	Q&A
		Moderated by Professor Carlos Bernal-Pulido
8.45 – 9.00am	6.45 – 7.00pm	Break





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9.00 – 10.00am	7.00 – 8.00pm	 Roundtable: Climate Change Litigation in Practice Distinguished Professor Lesley Hughes, Moderator (Macquarie University) Mr David Barnden (Equity Generation Lawyers) Ms Ellie Mulholland (MinterEllison) Ms Brynn O'Brien (Australasian Centre for Corporate Responsibility) Mr Martijn Wilder AM (Pollination)
10.00 – 10.15am	8.00 – 8.15pm	Q&A Moderated by Distinguished Professor Lesley Hughes
10.15 – 10.30am	8.15 – 8.30pm	Break
10.30 – 11.30am	8.30 – 9.30pm	 Panel 2: Climate Change Litigation in International and Comparative Law Professor Shawkat Alam, Panel Chair (Macquarie University) David Estrin (Faculty of Law, University of Windsor): Climate litigation approaches compared: Canada, USA, EU & Australia Professor Lavanya Rajamani (University of Oxford): International climate change obligations and litigation Associate Professor Thom Wetzer (University of Oxford): Climate change litigation in Europe
11.30 – 12.00pm	9.30 – 10.00pm	Panel 2: Q&A Moderated by Professor Shawkat Alam
12.00 – 12.15pm	10.00 – 10.15pm	Conclusions Dr Madeline Taylor (Macquarie University)