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Exploring what climate change and energy transition mean for lawyers

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About the conference

Elevate your expertise, stay ahead of the curve, and position yourself as a legal trailblazer in the era of climate-conscious legal practice.

Paris-alignment, scope 3 emissions, physical and transition risks, and the plethora of acronyms related to the EU Green Deal – what does it all mean for the day-to-day practice of law? How do lawyers adapt to the changing legislative landscape and shifting market preferences? All lawyers play a role in the climate transition, whether working in government, in-house, at firms or in the court system. No lawyer will remain unaffected by climate change and the transition.

This one-day event will delve deep into the dynamic intersection of law and climate change, and explore how lawyers can best serve clients and other stakeholders in the ongoing transition. It is a unique opportunity to gain a comprehensive 360-degree analysis of the role of lawyers in the current global transformation.

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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

8:00 Registration

8:45 Welcome

9:00 Opening address

- Mattias Frumerie, Swedish Climate Change Ambassador

9:20 Keynote: Climate change and low-carbon transition as drivers for business development

- Johan Kuylenstierna, General Director, Swedish Research Council for Sustainable Development (FORMAS)

9:40 – 10:30 “Climate Law” vs. Climate Change as a Cross-Cutting Legal Issue

“Climate Law” refers to the framework of international, EU and national legislation designed to mitigate and manage the negative effects of climate change. Beyond that framework, issues related to climate change also cut across other areas of law, and many lawyers find themselves working at the center or periphery of the global climate transition.

- Moderator: Annette Magnusson, Climate Change Counsel
- Jonas Ebbesson, Professor of Environmental Law, Stockholm University
- Tatyana Butler, Senior Counsel, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
- Wendy Miles, KC, Twenty Essex, Founder of Net Zero Lawyers Alliance

10:30 – 11:00 Networking break

11:00 – 11:20 Keynote: How the due diligence principle shapes climate and sustainability law

- David Frydinger, Partner, Cirio

11:20 – 12:10 What is “climate conscious lawyering”?

What is the role of lawyers in the climate transition? A conversation on the business of climate advisory and how it may connect with corporate advisory work. Also touching upon if lawyers have an obligation to integrate climate issues into all aspects of their work, and how to treat the concept of “advised emissions”.

- Moderator: Anja Ipp, Climate Change Counsel
- Sara Carnegie, Director of Legal Policy and Research, International Bar Association
- Emily Nicholson, Partner, Mishcon de Reya
- Anders Fast, Partner, Baker & McKenzie

12:10 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 13:20 Keynote:

Advisory Opinions: Does international law have anything to say about the climate crisis?

- Catherine Amirfar, Partner, Debevoise & Plimpton

13:20 – 14:30 Disputes at the center and periphery of climate change

There has been a steady increase in the number, types, and complexity of climate-related disputes over the past few years. Strategic litigation against governments and corporations, investment disputes, commercial disputes related to transition. Do disputes help or hinder the climate transition? What role does climate science play in the court room?

- Moderator: Anja Ipp, Climate Change Counsel
- Anna-Maria Tamminen, Partner, Hannes Snellman
- Crina Baltag, Associate Professor of International Arbitration, Stockholm University
- Anna Rogalska-Hedlund, Counsel to Aurora, Human Rights and Constitutional Law Expert
- Justine Schoenfeld-Quinn, Lead of Emissions Reduction, ClientEarth

14:30 – 15:00 Networking break

15:00 – 15:45 Managing climate risk: Strategies for in-house lawyers

In-house legal teams support their organizations' efforts to achieve and exceed sustainability goals and commitments. How do they assess and mitigate climate risks? What lessons can be learnt from the examples of human rights and anti-corruption? As will be demonstrated, "soft law" can be very hard.

- Moderator: Annette Magnusson, Climate Change Counsel
- Christian Swartling, General Counsel, StoraEnso
- Paula Meléndez, Sustainable Development Program Manager, TIL group
- Tomas Thyblad, Vice President and Head of ESG, Nasdaq

15:45 – 16:45 The Nuts and Bolts of Climate Lawyering: Green contracts, disclosures and reporting

How is climate law implemented in practice? Net zero commitments need to be reflected in the organization's legal fabric, including in model contracts and clauses with suppliers and customers. How can this be achieved? And how should lawyers best support their clients in tackling the tsunami of new requirements of reporting and disclosures?

- Moderator: David Frydinger, Cirio Advokatbyrå
- Becky Annison, The Chancery Lane Project
- Madeleine Edqvist, Partner, Mannheimer Swartling
- Jillian Kirn, Senior Compliance & Ethics Officer, AFRY

16:45 – 17:00 Summary and Closing

17:00 – 19:00 Cocktail reception