

INVITATION

INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE AND RULE OF LAW: DISCUSSION TO CONNECT THE DOTS

Wednesday 11 September 2019 | 14:30-16:50 | International Environment House II



As the world counts down toward 2022, which marks the 50th anniversary of the creation of the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) at the UN Conference on the Human Environment (Stockholm Conference) in June 1972, there is a growing interest among member States and stakeholders in promoting international environmental governance through a more accountable, agile and effective UNEP. In 2012, the UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20) concluded the systematic reform of international environmental governance. These efforts centered on enhancing the form, funding and functions of UNEP and clustering multilateral environmental agreements.

You are cordially invited to an event focusing on the effectiveness of the international environmental governance system, the role played by UNEP and environmental rule of law in addressing major environmental challenges and delivering on the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The discussion will center around two recently launched reports – [International Environmental Governance: Accomplishments and Way Forward](#), commissioned by the Nordic Council of Ministers and [Environmental Rule of Law: First Global Report](#) by UNEP.

PROGRAMME *(Refreshments will be served)*

Welcome remarks

Bruno Pozzi, Director, UNEP Europe Office
H.E. Amb. Terhi Hakala, Permanent representative of Finland to UNOG

Presentation of the report "International Environmental Governance: Accomplishments and Way Forward"

Maria Ivanova, Professor
Niko Urho, Senior Research Fellow
Center for Governance and Sustainability,
University of Massachusetts
Comments: **Sandeep Sengupta**, Global Coordinator, IUCN Climate Change Portfolio

Presentation of the report "Environment Rule of Law"

Eva Duer, Legal Officer, UNEP Law Division
Comments: **Yves Lador**, Representative to the UN in Geneva, Earthjustice

Discussion, questions and answers

Comment from **Mona Mejsen Westergaard**,
Ministry of Environment and Food, Denmark

General discussion & wrap-up

Closing remarks

Felix Wertli, Head of the Global Affairs Section,
Swiss Federal Office for the Environment

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