

**Law of the Sea: Climate Change and Other Recent Developments**

conference organized jointly by

the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge,  
and the Lisbon Public Law Research Centre, Faculty of Law, University of Lisbon

**Wednesday, 6 March 2024**

**9:00 – 9:15**    **Introductory words**

Sandesh Sivakumaran

Fernando Loureiro Bastos

**9:15 – 11:00**    **Panel I: Law of the sea and dispute resolution**

*Chair:* Manuel Almeida Ribeiro

*Speakers:*

Douglas Guilfoyle, *Litigation as statecraft: small states and the law of the sea*

James Harrison, *Judicial review of national state action by international courts and tribunals in law of the sea matters*

Konrad Marciniak, *Dispute settlement mechanisms under the BBNJ Agreement*

Monica Feria-Tinta, *Deep sea mining and potential future disputes before ITLOS*

Fernando Loureiro Bastos, *Ten years after the Virginia G Case: some unfinished issues*

*Commentator:* Alfred Soons

Discussion

**11:00 – 11.30** *Coffee break*

**11:30 – 13:15** **Panel II: Promoting climate change action through the advisory jurisdiction of the ICJ and ITLOS**

*Chair:* Surabhi Ranganathan

*Speakers:*

Payam Akhavan, *Promoting climate change action through the advisory jurisdiction of ITLOS*

Margaretha Wewerinke-Singh, *Promoting climate change action through the advisory jurisdiction of the ICJ*

Nilufer Oral, *Role of scientific experts in advisory proceedings*

Patricia Galvão Teles, *The potential for synergies between the different ongoing advisory proceedings*

Philipp Nickels, *Reflecting on the normative relationship between the UNCLOS and the UN Climate Change Regime*

Commentator: Monica Feria-Tinta

Discussion

**13:15 – 14:15 Lunch**

**14:15 – 16:00 Panel III: Other developments in the law of the sea**

*Chair:* Carla Amado Gomes

*Speakers:*

Malgosia Fitzmaurice, *Current problems of whaling and animal rights*

Vasco Becker-Weinberg, *Marine protected areas*

Stratis Georgilas, *Naval blockade: old laws – novel practices*

Alfred Soons, *Submarine cables and pipelines*

Joanna Gomula, *Law of the sea and the WTO: the Fisheries Subsidies Agreement*

Commentator: Michael Wood

Discussion

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