

Recent Climate Change Legal & Policy Issues in Asia and Europe in the Post-Paris Agreement Era

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The Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law (APCEL) at Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore (NUS) hosted the Conference on Recent Climate Change Legal & Policy Issues in Asia and Europe in the Post-Paris Agreement Era on 1 & 2 August 2019 at NUS Law (Bukit Timah Campus). The conference was co-organised by APCEL, the Institute of Law for Science and Technology (ILST) at National Tsing Hua University and Sustainability College Bruges (SCB), and provided a collaborative platform to exchange knowledge and ideas on the ways forward for global climate change law and policy.

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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

In 2015, the landmark Paris Agreement on climate change was adopted with a central aim to limit the rise of global temperature to well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels. The promulgation of the Katowice Rules in December 2018 has laid the ground for full implementation of Paris Agreement in the coming years. However, recent developments indicate that some major economies, including Germany, will not be able to meet their near-term emissions reduction targets. In addition, the Trump administration has withdrawn US participation in the Paris Agreement.

This conference, jointly organised by the Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law (APCEL) of National University of Singapore, the Institute of Law for Science and Technology (ILST) of National Tsing Hua University and Sustainability College Bruges (SCB) aims to provide a collaborative platform to exchange knowledge and ideas on the ways forward for global climate change law and policy.

This is a closed door event. For enquiries, please email: lawapcel@nus.edu.sg

Jointly organised by:



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CONFERENCE: DAY 1**Thursday, 01 August 2019**

TIME	PROGRAMME
8.30am – 9.00am	Registration
9.00am – 9.15am	Opening Ceremony & Welcome Addresses Kurt Deketelaere Secretary-General, League of European Research Universities (LERU) and Full Professor of Law, University of Leuven Jolene Lin Associate Professor and Director, Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law (APCEL), NUS Law Chien-Te Fan Professor of Law & Founding Director, Institute of Law for Science and Technology (ILST), National Tsing Hua University
9.15am – 10.15am	Keynote Speech Dr Simone Borg Environmental & Resources Law, Faculty of Laws, University of Malta, Former UN Ambassador of Malta Ren-Chain Wang Deputy General Director, Green Energy and Environment Research Laboratories (GEL), Industrial Technology Research Institute (ITRI)
10.15am – 10.30am	Break
10.30am – 12.10pm	Panel I: The Trend in Response to Current Paris Agreement Developments Chair: Joseph Chun Speakers: Kurt Deketelaere <i>Belgian Special Climate Law and A Failed Modification of the Constitution for Climate Policy Purposes</i> Chien-Te Fan <i>Taiwan's Policy & Action Plan in Response to PA's Implementation</i> Jolene Lin <i>Transnational Climate Change Litigation: The Contribution of the Global South</i> Discussion
12.10pm – 1.30pm	Lunch

<p>1.30pm – 3.10pm</p>	<p>Panel II: Climate Policy & Innovative Energy Policy Chair: Kurt Deketelaere</p> <p>Speakers: Sandra Cassotta <i>The EU as a Green Actor in Trade Agreements in Asian-pacific countries: A New Model of Green Diplomacy by Regulation?</i></p> <p>Anton Ming-Zhi Gao <i>The Latest Development of Renewable Energy Legal Regime in Taiwan: focus on the World's(?) First RPS (Renewable Portfolio Standards) on Large Electricity Users</i></p> <p>Maciej M. Sokołowski <i>EU-Japan: Climate-Energy Policy Overview</i></p> <p>Mandy Fang Meng <i>Old Wine in New Bottles? Another wave of Green Protectionism in the Solar Sector</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
<p>3.10pm – 3.40pm</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>3.40pm – 5.00pm</p>	<p>Panel III: Carbon Mitigation & Adaptation Chair: Simone Borg</p> <p>Speakers: Helen Fischer <i>Household Preferences for Adopting Climate Change Mitigation Actions: Empirical Results from Four European High-income Countries</i></p> <p>Koh Kheng Lian <i>Climate Change Adaption and Resilience in Disaster Management: the ASEAN Context and Post-Paris Agreement 2015</i></p> <p>P.J. (Pernille) van de Plank <i>The Legal Aspects of Creating Floating Cities</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
<p>5.00pm</p>	<p>End of Conference Day 1</p>

CONFERENCE: DAY 2

Friday, 02 August 2019

TIME	PROGRAMME
8.30am – 9.00am	Registration
9.00am – 10.40am	<p>Panel IV: Carbon Pricing Chair: Jolene Lin</p> <p>Speakers: Zen Markuch <i>A Comparative Analysis of Carbon Pricing Strategies for Selected OECD and Asian States</i></p> <p>Fanetti Stefano <i>Insurance solutions for adaptation to climate risks: current situation in Italy and lessons from EU Member States</i></p> <p>Je-Liang Liou <i>The Impact of Promoting Renewable Energy in Taiwan – How Much Hail is Added to Snow for Farmland Prices?</i></p> <p>Eric Bea <i>Singapore’s Carbon Pricing Act 2018</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
10.40am – 11.00am	Break
11.00am – 12.15pm	<p>Panel V: Technology Transfer & Green Finance Chair: Zen Makuch</p> <p>Speakers: Ren-Chain Wang <i>Prospects in Green Energy Innovation for Industry Growth – ASEAN Cases</i></p> <p>Chen-An Lien <i>Transboundary Offset Scheme with Technology Transfer</i></p> <p>Joseph Chun <i>Green Financing in Singapore – Opportunities and Challenges</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
12.00nn – 12.30pm	Closing Remarks
12.30pm	End of Conference