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# IUCNAEL 2020 Colloquium

## The Future of Environmental Law: Ambition and Reality

### Call for Abstracts



**The Law Faculty of the University of Groningen is honored to host the 18th Annual Colloquium of the IUCN Academy of Environmental Law in 2020. We hope to welcome the international environmental law scholarly community to our beautiful city. The theme of the Colloquium is ‘The future of Environmental Law: Ambition and Reality’. The Colloquium will be held from Monday the 6th of July 2020 till Friday the 10th of July 2020. Groningen University invites the submission of papers and abstracts.**



The broad colloquium topic allows the international scholarly community to take stock and critically reflect on the achievements of environmental law, discuss future challenges and identify pathways to achieve present and future sustainability goals. Environmental law provides key tools for the transition to a sustainable way of life on our planet and plays a major role in achieving the goals set for 2020 by many countries, international organizations and corporations. It also provides frameworks and legal instruments to address pressing and diverse societal problems such as climate change, loss of biodiversity, waste, air and water pollution et cetera. The advancements, innovations and

effectiveness of Environmental law might be evaluated critically if prevention of environmental degradation is taken as a yardstick.

The 2020 Groningen IUCN AEL Colloquium is to be dedicated to both identifying (the legal instruments of) Environmental law that have been (un)successful and discuss future challenges and innovative applications of Environmental law to assist in achieving sustainability goals, in an efficient and effective way. This will help us to distil a realistic understanding of what environmental law can do and also help us set a research agenda for the future as we move towards new milestones in 2030.



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## Topics may include:

- International, Regional and European environmental law
- Environmental Justice
- Climate Law
- Climate Law and Aviation
- Sustainability Law
- Energy Law
- Legal Instruments to achieve (Sustainable Development) Goals
- Nature protection and Ecological Governance
- Fundamental (Human) Rights
- Regulating Adaptive Management
- Access to Information, Public Participation in decision-making and Access to Justice
- Deforestation and Desertification
- Green Bonds
- Environmental taxation
- Land Use Management
- Agricultural Law
- Sustainable Water and Oceans Law



## Instructions for the Submission of Abstracts

- Abstracts and papers must be written in English, complete with title, author(s)'s name(s), and institutional affiliation.
- Abstracts (300 words, maximum) should contain the aim of the paper, main points and a brief conclusion. Abstracts should not contain tables, graphs, drawings, etc.
- Abstracts should be attached to an email to [iucnael2020groningen@rug.nl](mailto:iucnael2020groningen@rug.nl). The subject of the email should be "Abstract – 2020 IUCN AEL".
- **Abstracts should be submitted by 1st of March 2020.**

For further information see: [www.iucnael2020groningen.nl](http://www.iucnael2020groningen.nl)