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4th Annual International Law and Transboundary Freshwaters Workshop

- Contributing to the 2013 UN Year of Water Cooperation -

10-14 June 2013

Dundee, Scotland, UK

Who should attend?

The 5-day workshop will benefit anyone concerned with the world's international watercourses, especially water resources experts, lawyers and non-lawyers, practitioners - including civil servants, policy makers, regulators and water suppliers - as well as academics, who wish to gain fresh insights into how international law can contribute to addressing existing and future challenges over the world's transboundary freshwater resources.

University of Dundee & Global Water Partnership Scholarships



This Workshop on International Law and Transboundary Freshwaters forms part of the IHP-HELP Centre's module on International Water Law, and the Centre has joined with the Global Water Partnership in offering 30 International Water Law Scholarships for each of the next 5 years.

The Scholarships are available to applicants from any of the 2300 partner organisations which comprise the Global Water Partnership, and will allow participants to undertake the module in International Water Law, one of the core components of the UNESCO Centre's Water Law Water Leaders Programme. Further details on the Programme, including details on how to apply may be found at www.dundee.ac.uk/water/gwpscholarship/

“ **...I recommend this programme, without an iota of reservation, to anybody wishing to know, practise and talk transboundary water law... my high expectations of the programme were exceeded.** ”

*Joseph Idigo, Earth Forever Foundation, Bulgaria
Attended 2012*



Workshop participants 2012

Programme Agenda

DAY 1 • Monday 10th June 2013

- 08:30 - 09:00 Registration
09:00 - 09:15 Welcome – Principal - *Professor Pete Downes*
Co-chairs: *Professor Patricia Wouters and Dr Alistair Rieu-Clarke*
09:15 – 10:00 How can a UNESCO IHP-HELP perspective strengthen integrated approaches to transboundary water resources management? Linking water law, policy and science, *Professor Chris Spray*
10:15 – 10:45 Break
10:45 - 12:30 Addressing the Global Water Challenge – what role for International Water Law within an interdisciplinary context, *Professor Patricia Wouters*
12:30 – 14:00 Lunch
14:00 – 15:00 Codification and progressive development of international water law, *Dr Sergei Vinogradov*
15:00 – 15:30 Break
15:30 – 17:00 The dynamics of watercourse state relations and theories of allocation of uses of transboundary freshwaters, *Dr Sergei Vinogradov*
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DAY 2 • Tuesday 11th June 2013

- 09:00 – 10:30 Reconciling competing interests through substantive norms of international water law, *Dr Owen McIntyre*
10:30 – 11:00 Break
11:00 – 12:30 Keynote lecture continued
12:30 – 14:00 Lunch
14:00 – 15:00 Substantive norms in practice – exchanging knowledge and experiences - *Breakout groups led by Dr Alistair Rieu-Clarke and Dr Owen McIntyre*
15:00 – 15:30 Break
15:30 – 17:00 Operationalising benefits-sharing on the ground – integrating economics and law in practice – *John Metzger (GWP) and John Joyce (SIWI)*
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DAY 3 • Wednesday 12th June 2013

- 09:00 – 10:30 How procedural rules contribute to reconciling competing interests over shared uses of transboundary waters, *Dr Owen McIntyre*
10:30 – 11:00 Break
11:00 – 12:30 Keynote lecture continued
12:30 – 14:00 Lunch
14:00 – 15:00 Procedural norms in practice – exchanging knowledge and experiences - *Breakout groups led by Dr Alistair Rieu-Clarke and Dr Owen McIntyre*
15:00 – 15:30 Break
15:30 – 17:00 How will entry into force of the UN Watercourses Convention contribute to the peaceful management of the world's transboundary freshwaters?, *Dr Alistair Rieu-Clarke*

Followed by Gala Dinner at Discovery Point, Dundee

DAY 4 • Thursday 13th June 2013

- 09:00 – 10:30 Joint institutions in theory and practice in the context of transboundary water resources management – integrating water law, policy and science approaches, *Professor Geoffrey Gooch*
10:30 – 11:00 Break
11:00 – 12:30 Dispute Settlement Mechanisms in international water law, *Professor Dan Tarlock*
12:30 - 14:00 Lunch
14:00 – 15:00 Transboundary water negotiations – from potential conflict to cooperation potential, *Lena Salame*
15:00 - 15:30 Break
15:30 - 16:30 Resolving Conflicts in the Face of Water Scarcity & Variability: Alternative Methods from the US American West, *Matthew McKinney*
16:30 - 17:30 The dynamics of watercourse state relations – insights from Southern Africa, *Anton Earle (SIWI)*

DAY 5 • Friday 14th June 2013

- 09:00 – 10:30 The UNECE Water Convention: Lessons learnt from 20 years of work under the Convention and future activities, *Francesca Bernadini*
- 10:30 – 11:00 Break
- 11:00 – 12:30 Fragmentation in the context of surface water and groundwater? – the evolution of international law and the work of the ILC, *Francesco Sindico*
- 12:30 - 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:00 Tackling fragmentation in water resources management legal frameworks – lessons from Canada, *Professor Jamie Benedickson*
- 15:00 - 15:30 Break
- 15:30 - 16:45 The role for national legal frameworks in the implementation of international legal regimes, *Dr Andrew Allan and Dr Sarah Hendry*
- 16:45 - 17:00 Workshop Wrap-up, *Professor Patricia Wouters and Dr Alistair Rieu-Clarke*
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DAY 6 • Saturday 15th June 2013

Law, science and stakeholders in practice - field trip to the Tweed River Basin (optional)

Further information and to reserve your place, contact: Hugh Gunn

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Registration fee

The attendance fee for the 4 day workshop is £995.00

A discounted fee is available to those reserving their space by 10th May 2013

Discounted accommodation rates may be available in the area, please contact h.j.b.gunn@dundee.ac.uk for further information

Travel

Dundee has its own airport and train station and can also be reached easily from Edinburgh airport. Local travel can be made by foot, bus or taxi. Full details of the venues and maps will be sent to all registered delegates.

Cancellation

Cancellations must be received in writing no later than 10th May 2013 in order to be eligible for partial refund. Substitutions for registered participants may be made at any time, but we would appreciate prior notification. The IHP-HELP Centre for Water Law, Policy and Science under the auspices of UNESCO reserve the right to change the advertised presenters and agenda without prior notice to registered delegates.

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