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# *Postgraduate Research Symposium in Environmental Law*

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**9:20 am**      **Opening Remarks**

## **Environmental Rights, Reparation and Redress I**

9:30 am      Ms Liesl Muller, Ph.D. Researcher, Youth Climate Justice Project, University College Cork:  
*What Emerges from South African Climate Change Cases Involving Youth Which Develops International Child Rights Law?*

9:50 am      Ms Emily Murray, Ph.D. Researcher, Youth Climate Justice Project, University College Cork:  
*Transforming International Human Rights Law through Youth Climate Activism: A Children's Rights-Based Approach to a Healthier Planet through the Right to a Clean, Healthy and Sustainable Environment.*

10:10 am     Mr Calum MacLaren, Ph.D. Researcher, UCD Sutherland School of Law, University College Dublin:  
*Civil Liability Climate Litigation and Corporate Accountability: Towards a Corporate Duty to Mitigate Climate Change?*

10:30 am     Ms Mengyu Cui, Ph.D. Researcher, Newcastle University:  
*Retroactive or Retrospective: When does Part IIA of the UK Environmental Protection Act (P2A) Impose Liability for Past Polluting Activities?*

## **Marine Environmental Governance**

10:50 am     Ms Mélanie Vairon, Ph.D. Researcher, Faculté de Droit, Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3:  
*Creeping Marine Jurisdiction in a Context of Ecological Emergency.*

11:10 am     Ms Hanna Nsugbe, Ph.D. Researcher, School of International Relations and Politics, Liverpool John Moores University:  
*Maritime Memorialisation as Justification for Environmental Disturbance? Examining the Application of Sovereign Immunity to Sunken Warships in Micronesian Waters.*

**11:30 am**      **Tea / Coffee**

## Frontiers of Climate Law and Policy

- 11:50 am Ms Jeanne Magnetti, Ph.D. Researcher, School of Law and Government, Dublin City University:  
*Overcoming Barriers to Procedural Justice in the Irish Carbon Tax.*
- 12: 10 pm Mr Firdavs Kabilov, PhD Researcher and Tutor in Law, School of Law and Criminology, Maynooth University:  
*Climate Change Risks in Infrastructure Public-Private Partnerships: Legal Implications.*
- 12:30 pm Ms Charalampia Mikropoulou, Ph.D. Researcher, Faculté de Droit et de Science Politique, Aix Marseille University:  
*Refining Climate Legislation: Unravelling the Concept of Loss and Damage – Assessing the Efficacy of the Funding Mechanism in Addressing Climate Risks.*
- 12: 50 pm Ms Millie Prosser, Ph.D. Researcher, University of East Anglia:  
*Towards a Bespoke Climate Litigation Impact Framework: Lessons from Human Rights Scholarship.*

**1:10 pm Lunch**

## Biodiversity and Nature Conservation Law

- 2:00 pm Ms Rashauna Adams, LLM (*Environmental & Natural Resources Law*) Candidate, School of Law, University College Cork:  
*Ecological Restoration and Economic Development: The Challenge for Small Island Developing States.*
- 2:20 pm Ms Alessia Palladino, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia & Postgraduate Erasmus Exchange Student, School of Law and Criminology, Maynooth University:  
*Nature as a Beneficiary of Rights.*
- 2:40 pm Mr Julián Suárez, Ph.D. Researcher, School of Law, University College Cork; Assistant Lecturer Technical University of the Shannon:  
*Could Nature's Right to Restoration Really Ensure an Effective Legal Framework for Reversing Water Ecosystem Degradation and Improving its Ecological Integrity within European Jurisdictions?*

3:00 pm Ms Adrianna Suska-Zalewska, Ph.D. Researcher, Faculty of Law, University of Gdańsk:  
*Rights of Nature as a Remedy for Degradation of the Environment - Motivations and Purposes.*

3:20 pm Ms Julie Elizabeth Boyd, Ph.D. Reseacher, School of Law, Liverpool John Moores University:  
*Bringing The Sacred Back Into Nature: A Proposal To Re-Evaluate Our Relationship With The Environment.*

**3:40** **Tea / Coffee**

## **Environmental Rights, Reparation and Redress II**

4:00 pm Ms Loeva Georges, LL.M. Graduate, Leiden University; Legal Officer, Wildlife Justice Commission, Netherlands [online]:  
*An Analysis of Alternative Approaches to Environmental Reparation beyond the State Responsibility Framework.*

4:20 pm Ms Hao Wu, Ph.D. Researcher, Dundee Law School, University of Dundee:  
*Strengthening Environmental Public Interest Litigation in China: A Path Towards Sustainable Development.*

4:40 pm Ms Candice Maharaj, PhD Researcher, UCD Sutherland School of Law, University College Dublin:  
*Too Much, Too Little, or Just Enough: Carving Out a Space for the Right to a Healthy Environment in the Irish Constitution.*

## **Sustainability and Circular Economy Governance**

5:00 pm Ms Alessia Depietri, Ph.D. Researcher in Administrative Law, University of Parma:  
*Green Public Procurement – An Environmental Policy Tool with Strengths and Weaknesses: The Example of the Italian Experience.*

5:20 pm Ms Giulia Petrachi, Ph.D. Researcher, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo:  
*Unravelling the Dynamics of Food Waste Reduction at Corporate Level.*

5:40 pm Ms Aleksandra Czarnik, Ph.D. Researcher, School of Law and Criminology, Maynooth University:  
*Much Ado About Poo: Whether European Union Law Supports a Circular Economy Approach to the Use of Human Waste as Fertiliser.*

**6:00 pm** **Close**