



Call for Papers

16th POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM ON ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Wednesday, 22nd April 2026

Centre for Law and the Environment: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/lawenvironment/>
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With a view to providing postgraduate researchers working in the broad area of *Environmental and Natural Resources Law* with a friendly and informal platform at which to meet, network and present their research to their peers, UCC School of Law will host the 16th annual *Postgraduate Research Symposium on Environmental Law* on Wednesday 22nd April 2026. The Symposium will immediately precede the 22nd annual *Law and the Environment Conference* to be held on Thursday 23rd April 2026: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/lawenvironment/conference/>

It is intended to offer 15-20 postgraduate students the opportunity to present (for 20-30 minutes each) on any topic arising from their research. Papers are invited from researchers at any stage in their research project addressing any area of *Environmental, Climate, Planning, Marine or Natural Resources Law, Policy or Regulation – national or international*. For the 2025 event: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/media/academic/law/2023x2f2024/20242025/Programme-PostgraduateSymposium2025.pdf>

Though there is no budget to cover presenters' travel and accommodation expenses, we invite postgraduate presenters to attend the main *Law and the Environment 2026* conference event, which this year focuses on the theme '*Consolidation in Environmental Law*' and promises a very exciting line-up of national and international speakers and specialist sessions / topics.

Those presenting at the *Postgraduate Symposium* are also invited to attend the Speakers' Dinner on Wednesday evening, providing a unique opportunity to network with speakers and chairs from the main *Law and the Environment Conference*. In addition, several postgraduate papers will be selected for publication in a special issue(s) of a peer-reviewed journal.

A brief abstract should be submitted as early as possible, but by Friday 20th March 2026 at the latest, to o.mcintyre@ucc.ie. Please get in touch directly with any queries about the event.

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