

## WEBINAR

# ANTHROPOCENE

1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2023  
12 PM – 3 PM (CET)

Bilingual event (French / English)  
With simultaneous interpretation

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This is the third of a series of webinars scheduled to take place throughout 2023 to mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the International Law Association (ILA).

This webinar will discuss the White Paper on the Anthropocene. It will be an opportunity to look at possible future scenarios and to explore questions and options for potential solutions.

White Paper available at :  
<https://www.ilaparis2023.org/en/white-paper/anthropocene/>



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Chaired by **Mario Oyarzábal**, Ambassador of Argentina to the Netherlands

Introduced by **Sandrine Maljean-Dubois**, CNRS, Aix-Marseille University

### Speakers

**Nicolas Angelet**, Professor, Université libre de Bruxelles

**Winnie Cheche**, Conservationist, blogger, climate activist, volunteer, and Communication Lead at Kenya Environmental Action Network

**Nisreen Elsaim**, Chair of the UN Secretary General's Youth Advisory Group on Climate Change, Climate and Security

**Carmen Gonzalez**, Morris I. Leibman Professor, Loyola University

**Lamina Moshin**, Development Professional and Researcher on (inter alia) Climate Resilience

**Nilufer Oral**, Member of the International Law Commission

**Marcos Orellana**, Special Rapporteur on Toxics and Human Rights, Office of the UN High Commissioner on Human Rights

**Hans van Loon**, Former Secretary General of The Hague Conference on Private International Law

**Salomon Yeo**, Campaign Director of Pacific Islands Students Fighting (PISFCC)

## Chair



**Mario Oyarzábal (Argentina)** is the Ambassador of Argentina to the Netherlands. Member of the UN International Law Commission (2023-2027). Adjunct Professor at the University of La Plata. Former Legal Adviser to the Argentine Foreign Ministry. Former Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations. Former Deputy Consul in New York. Agent/Legal Counsel for Argentina before the International Court of Justice and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea. Lecturer at the Hague Academy of International Law. Author/editor of 4 books and more than 40 scholarly articles on international law. LLM, Harvard University.

## Introduction

**Sandrine Maljean-Dubois (France)** is an international law researcher. Sandrine Maljean-Dubois teaches international and European environmental law at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences of Aix-Marseille University (France). Her research focus is on international environmental law, in particular on biodiversity and climate change law. She is the author of several books and numerous articles on these topics. During the summer of 2019, she lectured at the Hague Academy of International Law on the topic “International law and biodiversity” (Collected Courses, Brill/Martinus Nijhoff, 2020, tome 407, pp. 123-538; Pocket Book, Brill/Martinus Nijhoff, 2021, 590 p., upcoming publication in English). She has been the coordinator of the ILA “Building Tomorrow Anthropocene” Committee.



## Speakers



**Nicolas Angelet (Belgium)** is an international lawyer. His areas of expertise cover all aspects of public international law, including the law of treaties and state responsibility, investment law and investor-state dispute settlement, immunities, the law and governance of international organizations, international law against corruption, human rights including business and human rights issues, UN and unilateral sanctions, territorial regimes and the law of armed conflicts. He is professor of international law in the Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB) and sits as arbitrator and in ICSID annulment proceedings.

**Winnie Cheche (Kenya)** is a young conservationist, blogger, climate activist, volunteer, and Communication Lead at Kenya Environmental Action Network. Growing up in extreme poverty had silenced her for a great part of her life; but her passion for wildlife and nature helped her find her voice again – one of the loudest voices in the African youth climate movement. Her activism journey started off online with tweets and posts on matters concerning wildlife welfare and climate change issues. Making social media posts grew into writing blogs and thought leadership, and eventually handling communication strategies for one of the organizations leading the Kenyan climate justice movement.



**Nisreen Elsaim (Sudan)** is the Chair of the UN Secretary General's Youth Advisory Group on Climate Change, Climate and Security. Chair of Sudan Youth Organization on Climate Change. General coordinator for Youth and Environment – Sudan (YES). Nisreen is also a junior negotiator with the African Group of Negotiators in technology transfer. A young Sudanese activist, she is today one of the leading figures on climate and security issues in the world. She holds a bachelor's degree in physics and a master's degree in renewable energy from the University of Khartoum. Wrote several policy papers in climate change, renewable energy, gender and youth.

**Carmen Gonzalez (United States)** is the Morris I. Leibman Professor of Law at Loyola University Chicago School of Law. She is a world-renowned expert in international environmental law, environmental justice, human rights and the environment, and food security. She is past chair of the Environmental Law Section of the Association of American Law Schools, and served as member and vice-chair of the IUCN Academy of Environmental Law, and as assistant regional counsel at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. She has taught at numerous prestigious academic institutions around the globe and has participated in environmental law capacity projects in Asia, Latin America, and the former Soviet Union.



**Lamia Moshin (Bangladesh)** is a young development professional and researcher working on key areas including climate resilience, adaptation, local governance and public policy. Currently, she is doing her postgraduation at the London School of Economics and Political Science under the UK Government's Chevening Scholarship. She has recently joined as a Youth Fellow in Resilience, at the UNFCCC High Level Climate Champions. Lamia has previously worked as consultant at the Global Center on Adaptation (GCA) South Asia regional office based in Dhaka, where she is supporting GCA's role as a solutions broker for climate adaptation solutions, in close collaboration with the Government of Bangladesh, and has supported the Bangladesh Presidency of the Climate Vulnerable Forum (CVF), an alliance of 55 climate vulnerable countries chaired by the Prime Minister of Bangladesh from 2020-2022.

**Nilufer Oral (Turkey)** is a member of the International Law Commission & Co-Chair of the ILC Study Group on Sea-level Rise in Relation to International Law. She is a member of the Committee of Legal Experts of the Commission of Small Island States on Climate Change and International Law, and a member of the Steering Committee of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law. She served as a legal advisor to the Turkish Foreign Ministry for law of the sea and as a climate change negotiator. She is a Distinguished Fellow of the Law of the Sea Institute at Berkeley Law; has lectured at the Centre for International Law (NUS); the UN Regional Law Courses for International Law, and at the Rhodes Academy for the Law of the Sea. She is currently a Senior Fellow at the National University of Singapore (NSU). She is a member of the Committee of Legal Experts of the Commission of Small Island States on Climate Change and International Law, and a member of the Steering Committee of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law.



**Marco Orellana (Chile)** is the Special Rapporteur on Toxics and Human Rights, Office of the UN High Commissioner on Human Rights. He is an expert in international law and the law on human rights and the environment. His practice as legal advisor has included work with United Nations agencies, governments and non-governmental organizations. He has also served as senior legal advisor to the Presidency of the 25th Conference of the Parties of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change. He has taught International Environmental Law at the George Washington University School of Law and International Law at the American University Washington College of Law.

**Hans van Loon (Netherlands)** is a former Secretary General of The Hague Conference on Private International Law, Member of the Institut de droit international, and Hon. Professor Edinburgh University. Hans van Loon has been at the forefront of private international law for well over a quarter of a century. He has worked and published on, among others, the private international law aspects of environmental damage and climate change litigation. He is a co-editor of "The Private Side of Transforming our World – UN Sustainable Development Goals 2030 and the Role of Private International Law".



**Solomon Yeo (Solomon Islands)** is the Campaign Director of Pacific Islands Students Fighting Climate Change (PISFCC), a youth-led organization whose members are students from the Pacific Island countries and is campaigning to seek an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice on climate change and human rights. He graduated with a Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Arts (Politics) in 2019 from the University of South Pacific, majoring in politics and law. Solomon is dedicating his life to addressing climate change and inequality. He wants to amplify the voice of Pacific youth in all platforms and help them achieve justice.