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### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE University of La Rochelle, France, June 18 - 23, 2012

**“Confronting Collapse: What Agencies, Institutions and Strategies  
Are Needed for a Better World? How to Achieve Environmental  
Justice?”**



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**NOTE:** The program will start on the morning of the 18<sup>th</sup>, and the dinner/reception will take place on the evening of the 20<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Fee:** \$175E

**Hotel Information:**

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ONCE YOU HAVE DONE SO.**

## **GEIG PROGRAMME (FINAL)**

### ***June 18<sup>th</sup> – Monday***

8:30-9:00 Welcome: Agnes Michelot and Laura Westra;  
Gerard Blanchard, Président de l'Université de La Rochelle;  
André Giudicelli, Doyen de la Faculté de droit, de science politique et de gestion de  
l'Université de La Rochelle

#### ***Plenary 1 Chair, Agnes Michelot (FR)***

9:00-9:30 Agnes Michelot (FR) “Rio + 20: What Future for the International Society?”  
9:30-10:00 Philippe Billet (FR) “L'Acces aux Ressources Naturelles par les Peuples Autochtones”  
10:00-10:30 General Discussion and Health Break (HB)

#### ***Plenary 2 “Moving Forward(1)”: Chair, Agnes Michelot***

10:30-11:00 Tullio Scovazzi (IT) “Marine Genetic Resources as Common Heritage of Mankind?”  
11:00-11:30 Prue Taylor (NZ) “The Future of the Common Heritage of Mankind”  
11:30-12:00 Laura Westra (CA) “Faces of State Terrorism and the Role of the Security Council”  
12:00-12:30 General Discussion

12:30 - 2:30 Lunch on our own

#### ***Plenary 3 Environmental Justice (1) and Indigenous Peoples: Chair, Laura Westra***

2:30-3:00 Jacinta Ruru (NZ) “Visioning for Indigenous Legal Access to Freshwater”  
3:00-3:30 Brad Morse (CA) “Can Indigenous Settler State Resource Co-Management Enhance  
Achieving Environmental Justice?”  
3:30-4:00 Linda Te Aho(NZ) “The Rena Disaster in Aotearoa New Zealand:Oil on Troubled  
Waters”  
4:00-4:30 Kathleen Mahoney(CA) “Social Activism and the Northern Gateway Pipeline: The  
Indigenous Effect”  
4:30-5:00 General Discussion and HB

#### ***Plenary 4 Environmental Justice (2): Chair, Brad Morse***

- 5:00-5:30 Christina Voigt (NO) “Aviation in the EU mission Trading Scheme, Environmental Justice and the Question of Sovereignty”
- 5:30-6:00 Yuliya Lyamzina (RU) “How the UN Agencies contribute to the needs of the world. Focus on Gender”
- 6:00-6:30 Valentina Vadi (IT) “Smoke in the Eyes: Trademark Protection v. Tobacco Control in International Investment Law”
- 6:30-7:00 General Discussion

Dinner on our own

## ***June 19<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday***

### ***Plenary 5 Ecological Integrity and Environmental Justice (2): Chair, Brad Morse***

- 9:00-9:30 Shaun Fluker (CA) “How Institutional Design Constrains the Power of Law to Implement Environmental Norms: The Case of Ecological Integrity in Canada’s National Parks”
- 9:30-10:00 Jack Manno (US) “Why Ecological Integrity? The Rise, Decline and Rediscovery of a Radical Concept”
- 10:00-10:30 Paul Carrick (US) “The Limits of Environmental Pragmatism: Promises and Perils”
- 10:30-11:00 Discussion and HB

### ***Plenary 6 Water Issues and Environmental Justice (2): Chair, Prue Taylor -***

- 11:00-11:30 Sabrina Urbinati (IT) “Issues in Italian Water Law”
- 11:30-12:00 Owen McIntyre (EI) “The Principles of Integration and Interrelationship in International Law related to Sustainable Development: Sobering Lessons from EU Law”
- 12:00-12:30 Joe Dellapenna (US) “Thinking About the Future of Global Water Governance”
- 12:30-12:45 General Discussion
- 12:45-2:30 Lunch Break

### ***Plenary 7 Moving Forward (2): Chair, Joe Dellapenna***

- 2:30-3:00 Claire Breen (NZ) “The Role of the Security Council in the Promotion of Human Rights to Reform or not to Reform?”
- 3:00-3:30 Alexandra Langlais (FR) “La politique agricole, les paiements pour services environnementaux (PSE) et les droits fonciers”
- 3:30-4:00 Discussion and HB

### ***Plenary 8 Environmental Justice (3): Chair, Jack Manno***

- 4:00-4:30 Megan Mitchell (NZ) “Getting to the Roots of Crime: Green Space as “Safe Space”
- 4:30-5:00 Sara Seck (CA) “Interregional Sustainability and International Law”
- 5:00-5:30 Vicky Karageorgou (GR) “Issuing Environmental Permits by Specific Legislative Act: Choice to Circumvent Public Participation and Judicial Tool? The European Perspective”
- 5:30-6:00 Brown, Donald (US) “Lessons Learned for Sustainability Ethics from Climate Change Disinformation Campaign”
- 6:00-6:30 General Discussion

Dinner on our own

## ***June 20<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday***

9:00-10:00 Video on the Journey of the Universe - Chair Don Brown  
10:00-10:30 Joan Engel (US) Discussant  
10:30-11:00 General Discussion

Group Meetings TBA – Lunch

Boat Trip (28.50E per person) further information on site

Aquarium Tour (14.50E per person) <http://www.aquarium-larochelle.com/pratique>

6:30- **Reception/Dinner at Quai 22**

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30 et 22, Quai Duperré  
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<http://www.quai22.com/>

## ***June 21<sup>st</sup> – Thursday***

***Plenary 9 Moving Forward (3): Chair, Laura Westra***

9:00-10:00 Klaus Bosselmann (NZ) “What Will Be the Legacy of Rio+20?”  
10:00-10:30 General Discussion and HB

***Plenary 10 Biosphere Ethics and Earth Democracy: Chair, Laura Westra***

10:30-11:00 Ron Engel(US) “The Ethical Promise of the World Conservation Movement through the Lens of the IUCN: Retrospect and Prospect”  
11:00-11:30 Katy Kintzele (US) “Relatos: The Place-based Roots of Ethical Engagement”  
11:30-12:00 Peter Burdon (AU) “The Project of Earth Democracy”  
12:00-12:30 General Discussion  
  
12:30-2:00 Lunch Break

***Plenary 11 Chair Klaus Bosselmann - The Role of the Economy for Social Change***

2:00-2:30 Richard Westra (Japan) “The Shakespearian Tragedy of Wall Street Finance and the End of Humanity”  
2:30-3:00 Peter Brown (CA) “Ethics for Economics and Finance for the Anthropocene”  
3:00-3:30 Michelle Gallant (CA) “Enhancing Global Regulation of Finance: Exploring Alternative Financial Machinery”  
3:30-4:00 Giovanni Ferri (IT) “How Regulation of Finance Got it Wrong and How it Still Does”  
4:00-4:30 General Discussion and HB

***Plenary 12 The Role of the Media and Education for Social Change: Chair, Peter Brown***

- 4:30-5:00 Robert Rattle (CA) “Mobile ICTs: Reckless Neglect of Manufactured Inequality?”  
 5:00-5:30 Rose Dyson (CA) “Corporate Rule, Climate Change and Social Upheaval: Challenges and Opportunities for Media Scholars and Educators”  
 5:30-6:00 Trevor Daya-Winterbottom (NZ) “Discovering New Mechanisms for Environmental Adjudication: The Problem With Merits Review?”  
 6:00-6:30 General Discussion

Dinner on our own

## ***June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Friday***

### ***Plenary 13                      Moving Forward (4): Chair, Katy Kintzele***

- 9:00-10:00 Keynote - William Rees (CA) “Debt, Depletion and Disaster”  
 10:00-10:30 General Discussion and Health Break

### ***Plenary 14                      Environmental Justice (3) Cases and Issues: Chair, Shaun Fluker***

- 10:30-11:00 Janos Toth (HU) “The Red Sludge Disaster in Hungary”  
 11:00-11:30 Teresa Kwiatowska (Mexico) “Ideas in Action: Toward Effective Answers to Environmental Degradation”  
 11:30-12:00 Yemi Oke (Nigeria) “Environmental Law and Electricity Governance in Nigeria”  
 12:00-12:30 General Discussion

12:30-2:30 Lunch Break

### ***Plenary 15                      Moving Forward (5): Chair, J. Ron Engel***

- 2:30-3:00 Sheila Collins (US) “Can Occupy Wall Street Make the New World Possible?”  
 3:00-3:30 Geoff Garver (CA) “Moving Forward with Planetary Boundaries and Degrowth: Lessons from the 2012 Montreal Conference”  
 3:30-4:00 Noemie Candiago (FR) “The Virtues Circle of Degrowth and Ecological Debt: a New Paradigm for Public International Law”  
 4:00-4:30 General Discussion and HB

### ***Plenary 16                      Moving Forward (6): Chair, Sheila Collins***

- 4:30-5:00 Leslie Van Gelder (NZ) “Social Change and Higher Education: The Walden University Study”  
 5:00-5:30 Franz-Theo Gottwald (GER) “Towards Sustainable Agriculture and Food Production”  
 5:30-6:00 Edith Callaghan (CA) “The CONVERGENCE Project and Community Engagement”  
 6:00-6:30 Charlotte Huteau (FR) “Small Island States: Reinventing International Law”  
 6:30-7:00 General Discussion

Dinner on our own

## ***June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Saturday***

### ***Plenary 17                      Moving Forward (6): Chair, Geoff Garver***

- 9:00-9:30 Clayton Walls (CA) “The Second Atomic Age: With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility”
- 9:30-10:00 Alexander Gillespie (NZ) “Gaps in the International Architecture of Conservation of Biodiversity: More Plans for New Tools or Better Application of What We Have?”
- 10:00-10:30 General Discussion and HB
- 10:30-11:00 Brunetto Chiarelli (IT) “Human Demographic Impact on World Ecosystems”
- 11:00-11:30 Doug Daigle (US) “Environmentalism in Time of Collapse: Is the Movement up to the Challenge?”
- 11:30-12:00 Laurent Augier (FR) “Environmental Policy, Justice and Economic Growth: An Essay in Interpretation”
- 12:00-12:30 General Discussion

**End of Conference.**