

Law and/in the Anthropocene

2nd conference of the Swiss Network for Law and Society

10 – 12 February 2025

UniS, Schanzeneckstrasse 1

Organized by the Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern

Further information:



February 10th

- 9:00 – 10:00 Registration & Coffee
- 10:00 – 10:45 **Introduction and opening remarks S003**
Opening & Welcome by the Rector of the University of Bern, Prof. Dr. Virginia Richter
Introduction by the organizers
- 10:45 – 11:45 **Keynote I S003**
Figuring Law's Destruction Efficiency
Prof. Suzana Sawyer (UC Davis)
- 11:45 – 13:15 Lunch
- 13:15 – 14:45 **Panels**
Criminal Law & the Anthropocene I A022
Carbon pricing across borders A024
Défis de la recherche socio-juridique I A027
- 14:45 – 15:00 Coffee break
- 15:00 – 16:30 **Panels**
Criminal Law & the Anthropocene II A022
Environmental rights as a posthuman care turn A024
Défis de la recherche socio-juridique II A027
- 16:30 – 16:45 Coffee break
- 16:45 – 17:45 **Roundtable I S003**
Blindspots and Limits of Climate Litigation
Dr. Clémence Demay (University of Lausanne)
Carmella Schaller (Avocat.e.s pour le Climat)
Dr. Graeme Hayes (Aston University)
Dr. Riccardo Fornasari (Université Paris Dauphine PSL)
Dr. Juan Auz (Tilburg University)
Chair: Dr. Jevgeniy Bluwstein (University of Bern), Lucie Benoit (University of Bern)
- 18:00 Aperero

February 11th

- 8:30 – 9:00 Coffee
- 9:00 – 10:30 **Panels**
Criminal Law & the Anthropocene III A022
Private finance & sustainability transitions A024
Archives of the Transnational I A027
- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00 – 12:00 **Keynote II** S003
Re-imagining international law in the Anthropocene
Dr. Lys Kulamadayil (IHEID)
- 12:00 – 13:15 Lunch
- 13:15 – 14:45 **Panels**
Judicialization of Climate Politics I A022
Territories of Life I A024
Archives of the Transnational II A027
- 14:45 – 15:00 Coffee break
- 15:00 – 16:30 **Panels**
Judicialization of Climate Politics II A022
Law & Politics of Environmental & Climate Lobbying A024
New approaches on environmental law & litigation A027
- 16:30 – 16:45 Coffee break
- 16:45 – 17:45 **Roundtable II** S003
The Potentials and Pitfalls of Rights of Nature in Action
Dr. Cristina Espinosa (University of Freiburg)
Dr. María Ximena González-Serrano (University Carlos III de Madrid)
Dr. Johan Horst (Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory)
Dr. Annette Mehlhorn (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology)
Chair: Dr. Laura Affolter (Hamburg Institute for Social Research)

February 12th

- 8:30 – 9:00 Coffee
- 9:00 – 10:30 **Panels**
Judicialization of Climate Politics III **A022**
Seeking Justice in Social and Political Transformations
(roundtable) **A024**
Conducting law & society research in Switzerland I **A027**
- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00 – 12:00 **Keynote III** **S003**
Beyond the Climate Crisis Narrative: Slow Violence and the Legal Value of Time
Prof. Elisa Fornalé (University of Bern)
- 12:00 – 13:15 Lunch
- 13:15 – 14:45 **Panels**
A restorative city in Switzerland **A022**
Law & Climate Change: socio-legal intersections **A024**
Conducting law & society research in Switzerland II **A027**
- 14:45 – 15:00 Coffee break
- 15:00 – 16:30 **Panels**
L'accès à l'information environnementale **A022**
Territories of Life II **A024**
Child-Parents Relations **A027**
- 16:30 – 17:15 **Conclusion and ways forward for the SNLS**
Dr. Fiona Friedli (University of Lausanne) & Dr. Jonathan Miaz (University of Lausanne)

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