For day 1:

(Beate Sjåfjell)

UN Sustainable Development Goals: Significance for Business and Finance

Recommended reading (non-obligatory):

United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (35 pages)

(Beate Sjåfjell)

Our European Company Law: Recent Developments and Remaining Challenges


High Level Expert Group on Sustainable Finance, interim report to advice on developing a comprehensive EU strategy on sustainable finance, Executive Summary, available here (3 pages)

Recommended reading:


(for Norwegian-reading candidates:)


For day 2:

(Beate Sjåfjell)

Financial Risk as Driver for Evolving Duties of the Corporate Board

Recommended reading:
Beate Sjåfjell, ‘Closing the Circle: Corporate Boards & the Financial Risk of Corporate Unsustainability’, an early version draft working paper in the SMART Project (smart.uio.no). Circulated only to participants at PhD Seminar 2017, do not circulate further or cite without contacting the author (PDF, 8 pages)

(Anssi Kärki)

Allocating Liability When Piercing the Corporate Veil – Bypassing Broken Nodes

Recommended reading (for Finnish, Swedish, Norwegian and Danish reading candidates):

Case law:

- KKO 2015:17 - Finland
- NJA 2014:75 - Sweden
- HR-2010-00443-A - Norway
- UfR 1997 p. 1642 - Denmark

Nordic literature about the case law:

- Sandström, Torsten: Ansvarsgenombrott och ABL - ett ordknapp prejudikat. Info Torg juridik 9.1.2015 (6 pages), available here
- Sjåfjell, Beate: Environmental Piercing of the Corporate Veil: The Norwegian Supreme Court Decision in the Hempel Case. European Company Law. 7 no 4 2010 pp. 154-160 (7 pp)

For day 3:

(Marta Andrecka)

Lecture on Public Procurement

- M. Andrecka, guest editor, Procurement Beyond the Price- Special Issue 3/2017 European Procurement and Public- Private Partnership Law Review (EPPPL) (2 pp)
- M. Andrecka, "Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability in Danish Public Procurement" in 3/2017 EPPPL, pp. 333-345 (12 pp)

Due diligence as a driver for change? The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human rights
Recommended reading:

UN Guiding Principles of Business and Human Rights, Part II (pages 13 – 26), available here (36 pages)


http://issuu.com/_icar_/docs/human_rights_due_diligence__the_role_of_states

International Corporate Accountability Roundtable, European Coalition for Corporate Justice, Canadian Network on Corporate Accountability (Introduction and Conclusion about 8 pages total)

(Jaakko Salminen)

Liability for Unsustainable Supply Chain Practices, Nothing Less

- Galit Sarfaty, Shining Light on Global Supply Chains, 56 Harvard International Law Journal 419–463 (44 pp)

(Eli Rudshagen)

Setting the Standard for Corporate Sustainable: Towards Greater Policy Coherence Between Financial and Non-Financial Reporting Requirements

Recommended reading:

- Directive 2013/34/EU (the Accounting Directive) (92 pp)
- Guidelines from the Commission for non-financial reporting in accordance with Directive 2013/34/EU (20 pp)
- Regulation (EC) 1221/2009 (the EMAS Regulation) (68 pp)

For day 4:

(Alfonso Martinez-Echevarria)


Recommended reading:

• Alfonso Martínez-Echevarría: The Nature of Shareholding and Regulating Shareholders’ Duties, Hanne S. Birkmose, Shareholder’s Duties, Kluwer Law International – (21 pages)

(Hanne S. Birkmose & Konstantinos Sergakis)

Shareholders’ Rights and Duties: Taxonomy, Enforcement and Sanctions


Recommended additional reading:


(Jukka Mähönen)

Nordic Public Market Actors as Shareholders

• Per Lekvall (ed), The Nordic Corporate Governance Model (SNS Förlag, 2014):
  o Chapter II: The Institutional Framework of Nordic Corporate Governance (pp. 36-51) (15 pages)
  o Chapter IV: The Nordic Model in an International Perspective (pp. 94-113) (21 pages)

Recommended literature:

For day 5:

(Hanne S. Birkmose)

Shareholders’ Duties as Vehicle for a Transformation of EU Company Law