Cambridge Handbook Symposium
12-14 March 2018
Programme

**MONDAY 12 MARCH**

08.45-09.30 Registrations, coffee, tea and fresh fruit

09.30-09.45 Welcome and tour de table

09.45-10.05: Setting the corporate sustainability scene. Introductory remarks by the editors

10.05-11.30: Part I: Global business and fragmented regulation

- Editors’ introduction to Part I
- Chapter 2: Trade, Investment and corporate sustainability, Tonia Novitz and Clair Gammage (presenting author, via Skype/video)
- (Chapter 3: A Critical Analysis of Extraterritorial Attempts at Addressing Challenges to Sustainability, Jingchen Zhao)*
- Chapter 4: De-fragmenting transnational business responsibility: principles and process, Karen Morrow and Holly Cullen, Law School
- Chapter 5: Sustainability and the Move from Corporate Governance to Governance Through Contract, Jaakko Salminen
- Joint discussion

11.30-11.45 Short break

11.45-13.10: Part II: Corporate law, financial markets and sustainability

- Editors’ introduction to Part II
- Chapter 6: The History of Shareholder Primacy, from Adam Smith through the Rise of Financialism, Judd F Sneirson (via Skype/video)
- (Chapter 7: The political economy of the company and its impact on corporate governance, Lorraine Talbot)*
- Chapter 8: Financial markets, heterogeneous investors and intermediated capitalism, Jay Cullen and Jukka Mähönen (presenting author)
- Chapter 9: International Order of Corporate Taxation – From Market-Making to Sustainable Tax Regime? Jussi Jaakkola (presenting author) and Reijo Knuutinen
- Joint discussion
13.10-13.50 Lunch

13.50-15.30: Part III: Corporate Law and Corporate Governance; session a

- Editors’ introduction to Part III

- Chapter 10: Corporate Law, Corporate Governance and Sustainability in the United States, Dana Brackman Reiser

- Chapter 11: Chapter on Canada (title tbd), Poonam Puri (via Skype/video)

- Chapter 12: The Australian Paradox: Conservative Corporate Law Values in a Progressive Culture, Victoria (Tory) Baumfield (via Skype/video)

- Chapter 13: Corporate Sustainability in New Zealand: An Entity Primacy Approach and Beyond, Susan Watson, Faculty of Law

- Joint discussion

15.30-15.45 Short break

15.45-17.15: Part III, session b

- Chapter 14: Chapter on EU corporate law and specifically on corporate groups (title tbd), Blainad Clarke and Linn Anker-Sørensen (presenting author)

- (Chapter 15: Chapter on the UK (title tbd), Andrew Johnston)*

- Chapter 16: Chapter on the Nordic region (title tbd), Jukka Mähönen (presenting author) and Gudrun Johnsen

- Chapter 17: Company law and corporate governance in Germany: From stakeholder value to corporate sustainability?, Andreas Rühmkorf (via Skype/video)

- Chapter 18: Worker Participation, Sustainability, and the Puzzle of the Volkswagen Emissions Scandal, Matthew Bodie

- Joint discussion

17.15-17.30: Closing of first day by the editors

18.30 - Dinner for all participants at nearby restaurant
Tuesday 13 March

08.30-09.00: Coffee, tea and fresh fruit

9.00-10.15: Part III, session c

- Chapter 19: Corporate sustainability and shareholder activism in the Netherlands, Anne Lafarre (presenting author) and Christoph Van der Elst
- Chapter 20: Corporate Law, Corporate Governance and Sustainability in France: An innovative old-fashioned model of governance, Véronique Magnier
- Chapter 21: The (Unsuccessful?) Quest for Sustainability in Italian Business Law, Alessio Bartolacelli
- Joint discussion

10.15-11.05: Part III, session d

- Chapter 22: Transforming socialist era corporation into Private Corporation. What went wrong with neoliberal prescriptions? Liviu Damsa
- Chapter 23: Chapter on Russia (title tbd), Carsten Sprenger
- Joint discussion

11.05-11.20 Short break

11.20-12.10: Part III, session e

- Chapter 24: Leveraging Economic Integration to Promote Sustainable Corporate Practices in Latin America, Alvaro Pereira
- (Chapter 25: Chapter on Brazil)
- Chapter 26: The impact of the corporate law shift from shareholder-led to ‘director-led’ governance system of corporate governance on the sustainability of South African companies, Tshepo H. Mongalo
- (Chapter 27: Chapter on Nigeria)
- Joint discussion

12.10-12.50 Lunch

12.50-14.05 Part III, session f

- Chapter 28: The Inclusion of Sustainability in Corporate Law and Governance in Mauritius: Enlightenment or Resistance? Renginee G. Pillay (presenting author), Soobaroyen, J. D. Mahadeo, N. Pariag-Maraye
- Chapter 29: The Community Company as a vehicle for sustainability in the Solomon Islands: hopes, challenges and possibilities, Vij Nagarajan (via Skype/video)

- Chapter 30: What does it mean to be sustainable: regulation of the relationship between corporations and indigenous peoples, Grant Christensen

- Joint discussion

14.05-14.20 Short break

14.20-16.00: Part III, session g

- Chapter 31: Shareholder Activism and Corporate Sustainability in China: An Empirical Study, Chao Xi

- Chapter 32: Corporate governance reform and social norm as drivers for public companies' commitments to sustainability: the case of Japan, Souichiro Kozuka

- Chapter 33: Towards Corporate Sustainability in India, Harpreet Kaur (via Skype/video)

- Chapter 34: Chapter on Indonesia (title tbd), Benedict Sheehy and Cacik Rut Damayanti (presenting author)

- Joint discussion

16.00-16.15 Short break

16.15-17.05: Part III, session h


- Chapter 36: Corporate Sustainability in Hong Kong and Singapore: Leaders, Laggards, or Both?, Christopher M. Bruner

- Joint discussion

17.05-17.45 Joint discussion for Part III

17.45-18.00: Closing of second day by the editors

18.00–Reception with light food and refreshments for all participants
**WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH**

**08.10-08.40 Coffee, tea and fresh fruit**

**08.40-10.00: Part IV: Possible Drivers for Change; session a**

- Editors’ introduction to Part IV
- (Chapter 37: Disclosure Regulation in Corporate Social Responsibility- (New) Legalisation and New Governance Implications, Iris Chiu)*
- Chapter 38: Certifying ‘Good’ Companies, Florian Möslein (via Skype/video)
- Chapter 39: Regulatory and Policy Coherence on Sustainability Reporting in Africa’s Corporate Governance Framework: Lessons from Home and Abroad, Ondotimi Songi (via Skype/video) and Ayesha Dias
- Chapter 40: Is due diligence an effective approach to regulating global supply chain activities? Charlotte Villiers (via Skype/video)
- Joint discussion

**10.00-10.15 Short break**

**10.15-11.05: Part IV, session b**

- Chapter 41: Aligning Social Investing with Nature’s Timescales, Benjamin Richardson (via Skype/video)
- (Chapter 42: Shareholder stewardship: A Case of Re-embedding the Institutional Investors and the Corporation?, Dionysia Katelouzou)*
- Chapter 43: Green Bonds and Beyond: The Regulatory and Corporate Governance Dimensions of Debt Financing as a Sustainability Driver, Stephen Park
- Joint discussion

**11.05-11.55: Part IV, session c**

- Chapter 44: NGOs, Sustainable Investors and Organised Labour Driving Sustainable Corporate Governance Reforms, David Monciardini
- Chapter 45: Gender as a driver for change, Lecturer Roseanne Russell, University of Bristol
- Joint discussion

**11.55-12.35 Lunch**
12.35-13.50: Part IV, session d

- Chapter 47: Social Enterprise Law: Friend or Foe to Corporate Sustainability?, Carol Liao
- Chapter 48: The Cooperative as a Driver for Change, Ville Pönkä
- Chapter 49: The corporate board as key in creating corporate sustainability, Beate Sjåfjell
- Joint discussion

13.50-14.20 Joint discussion of Part IV

14.20-14.45 Concluding remarks & closing of the Symposium by the editors

* These draft chapters will not be presented during the Symposium, but should be read in preparation for each session.

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