
TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE COMPANIES: IDENTIFYING NEW AVENUES

PROGRAMME FOR THE PARALLEL SESSIONS

Date: Tuesday, 30 August 2011, 8.30-11 am

Venue: Domus Academica, Karl Johans gate 47

Session 1: Case studies on human rights and environmental law

Venue: Teologisk eksamenssal, 2nd floor

Chair: Adjunct Professor Anita Halvorssen, University of Denver

Co-chair: Adri du Plessis, University of the Free State, South Africa

- *Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights: Do They Provide Enough Guidance for Sustainable Business?*
Surya Deva, School of Law, City University of Hong Kong.
- *Norwegian authorities' advice on Western Sahara and Norwegian vessels' complicity in human rights violations: fish oil and phosphates from Western Sahara*
Hans Morten Haugen, Diakonhjemmet University College, Oslo
- *The corporate responsibility to remedy (3rd pillar Ruggie framework)*
Tineke Lambooy, Mary Varner and Aikaterini Argyrou, University Utrecht
- *Temporary Nature: A Useful Tool for Sustainable Companies?*
Hendrik Schoukens, Ghent

Session 2: CSR, Codes, Accounting and Reporting

Venue: Auditorium 5, 2nd floor

Chair: Professor Jukka Mähönen,

Co-chair: Senior Lawyer Diego Parravicini

- *Public disclosure and global sustainable development in the banking industry: The equator principles*
Poonam Puri, York University, Canada
- *How Environmental Reporting can be Saved by Accounting Principles*
Miriam Aakre Borgersrud, University of Oslo
- *Constructing Sustainability through CSR: A Critical Appraisal of ISO 26000*
Andrew Johnston, University of Queensland
- *The Danish CSR Reporting Requirement: Employing national company law to deal with trans-boundary sustainability challenges*, Karin Buhmann, University of Copenhagen

Session 3: Investment and Financial Market Law

Venue: Spiserommet, 1st floor

Chair: Professor Benjamin Richardson

Co-chair: Dr. Priscilla Schwartz

- *Societal Corporate Governance and Extra Financial Information: Spearhead or Achille's heel of Corporate Governance?*
Catherine Malecki, University Paris Sud (Paris XI)
- *Sustainable Investment through Effective Resolution of Investment Disputes—is Transparency the Answer?*
Cornel Marian, Stockholm
- *The State as Shareholder and the Duty and Competence to Promote Sustainable Development*
Anders By Teigen, University of Oslo

Session 4: Corporate Governance, Shareholder Primacy and Fiduciary Duties

Venue: Juridisk eksamenssal, 1st floor

Chair: Professor Celia Taylor

Co-chairs: Professor Blanaid Clarke and Anel Koorsen

- *An Intellectual History of Shareholder Primacy from Dodge v. Ford Through the Rise of Financialism*
Judd F. Sneirson, Hofstra University School of Law, USA
- *Sustainable development and the need for sustainable oriented corporate law and regulation*
S. C. de Hoo and Mieke Olaerts, University of Maastricht
- *Sustainable companies, sustainable capitalism: A new model built on the concept of directors duties*
Olawale Ajai, Lagos Business School, Pan African University, Nigeria
- *Shareholder Primacy and Intergenerational Environmental Justice*
Gail Henderson, University of Toronto, Faculty of Law

Session 5: Drivers for sustainable companies

Venue: Gamle Festsal, 1st floor

Chair: Professor Gudula Deipenbrock

Co-chair: Professor David Millon

- ***Sustainable decision making? Some potential driving forces***
Cecilie Kjelland, University of Oslo
- ***Improving Corporate Environmental Performance: Encouraging Sustainable Commerce Through Regulatory and Other Governmental Action***
Peter Appel, University of Georgia School of Law, USA
- ***Insurance as a Regulatory Mechanism Towards Sustainable Companies***
Clifford Shearing, Jan Froestad, Tom Herbstein and Kjersti Gjuvsland, Cape Town / Bergen
- ***Neural Networks: A methodology to evaluate sustainability in companies***
Raúl León, Elena Escrig, M^a Ángeles Fernández, M^a Jesús Muñoz, Juana María Rivera, Idoya Ferrero, Universitat Jaume I of Castellón

Session 6: The Contribution of Labour to Sustainable Companies

Venue: Rettssalen, 1st floor

Chair: Professor Charlotte Villiers

Co-chair: Professor Beate Sjøfjell

- ***What is the Sustainable Company?***
Sigurt Vitols, European Trade Union Institute
- ***Trade unions and the new corporate sustainability***
David Monciardini, University of Milan and Laura Horn, VU University Amsterdam
- ***Why worker involvement is needed in the Sustainable Company***
Jan Cremers, Amsterdam Institute of Advanced Labour Studies
- ***Reorienting management remuneration towards sustainability: lessons from Germany***
Rainald Thannisch, Confederation of German Trade Unions