

Sustainable Companies

UiO : University of Oslo

TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE COMPANIES: IDENTIFYING NEW AVENUES

Programme

MONDAY 29 AUGUST 2011

Afternoon session, 1-5 pm: *Setting the Stage*

Chair: [Professor Beate Sjøfjell](#), University of Oslo

12.30 – 1 pm	<i>Registration - Coffee/tea</i>
1 – 1.30 pm	Keynote speech: From energy efficiency to resource efficiency: How enterprises can contribute to sustainability Mr Karl Falkenberg , Director-General of the DG Environment, European Commission
1.30 – 2.15 pm	Prospects for sustainable companies and effective enforcement of environmental laws: rethinking legal concepts, powers and strategies Professor Jonas Ebbesson , University of Stockholm Prepared comment: Dr. Ottavio Quirico, European University Institute <i>Questions/discussion</i>
2.15 – 5 pm	Presentation of papers on the three main debates concerning companies The Continuing Role Of Independent Directors On Our Corporate Boards: Professor Blanaid Clarke , University College Dublin Prepared comment: Professor Jan Andersson , University of Stockholm <i>Questions/discussion</i>
3 – 3.30 pm	<i>Coffee/tea break</i>
	Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability: Professor David Millon , Washington and Lee University Prepared comment: Professor Erika George , The University of Utah <i>Questions/discussion</i>
	Can Financial Markets Promote Sustainable Companies?: Professor Benjamin Richardson , The University of British Columbia Prepared comment: Professor Ola Mestad , University of Oslo <i>Questions/discussion</i>
	Closing comments first day, with practical information about the parallel sessions the following day: Professor Beate Sjøfjell
5.30 pm	<i>Conference dinner (by invitation)- Theatercaféen, Stortingsgaten 24/26</i>

TUESDAY 30 AUGUST 2011

Morning session, 8.30-12 am: *Presenting New Research*

Chair: Professor Benjamin Richardson

8 – 8.30 am *Coffee/tea*

8.30 - 11 am **Presentations of papers in parallel sessions**, each session to be chaired by a senior member of the Sustainable Companies project team

11 - 11.15 am *Short break*

11.15 - 12 am **Plenary session** with brief presentations of impressions from parallel sessions, by the SC team members leading the parallel sessions

12 am – 1 pm *Lunch for all participants* – Brasserie 45, Stortingsgaten 20

Afternoon session, 1-5 pm: *New Research and the Way Forward*

Chair: Professor Benjamin Richardson

1 - 3.15 pm **Presentation of cross-jurisdictional analysis on the barriers and possibilities for the promotion of sustainable companies**

Barriers and Possibilities for Sustainable Companies in Core Company Law:

Professor Beate Sjøfjell

Prepared comment: [Dr. Andrew Johnston](#), The University of Queensland

Questions/discussion

Barriers and Possibilities for Sustainable Companies in Accounting Rules: a Cross-Jurisdictional Exploration:

[Professor Charlotte Villiers](#), University of Bristol

Prepared comment: [Professor Gudula Deipenbrock](#), HTW Berlin

Questions/discussion

Regulation of Groups of Companies: Barriers and Possibilities for Sustainable Companies:

[Dr. Muzaffer Eroglu](#), University of Kocaeli

Prepared comment: [Dr. Tineke Lambooy](#), Utrecht University

Questions/discussion

3.15 – 3.45 pm *Coffee/tea break*

3.45 – 5 pm **Panel debate : *How to Move Forward Towards Sustainable Companies***

Chair of the panel debate: Professor Beate Sjøfjell

Members of the panel: Other speakers

Closing remarks: Professor Beate Sjøfjell

5.15 pm *Reception with tapas and wine for all participants*
– Frokostkjelleren, Faculty of Law, Karl Johans gate 47



Conference Venue:

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