

## Introduction to EU Environmental Law – Focus on the role of national judges and prosecutors

Online workshop for judges and prosecutors

29-30 October 2020 - 08:45-13:30 (CET)

5-6 November 2020 - 08:45-13:30 (CET)

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**Environmental  
Law**



### Envisaged speakers & training managers

**An Cliquet**, Professor of Environmental Law, Faculty of Law and Criminology, Ghent University

**Valerie Fogleman**, Consultant, Stevens & Bolton LLP; Professor, Law School, Cardiff University

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**Kleoniki Pouikli**, Training Coordinator, Course Director, European Public Law, ERA, Trier

**Christoph Sobotta**, Legal Secretary to AG Kokott, CJEU, Luxembourg

**Lorenzo Squintani**, Senior Assistant Professor, University of Groningen

**Ugo Taddei**, Lawyer – Strategic Litigation, Clean Air Lead, Client Earth, Brussels

### Key topics

- Access to justice
- General and special principles of EU law
- EU legislation on nature, air and water quality, industrial emissions and accidents
- Environmental Liability Directive and EU environmental assessment law
- EU waste law
- Public participatory rights
- Preliminary ruling request procedure
- CJEU case law
- Various case studies

**Language**  
English

**Event number**  
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**Organiser**  
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# INTRODUCTION TO EU ENVIRONMENTAL LAW – FOCUS ON THE ROLE OF NATIONAL JUDGES AND PROSECUTORS

## Thursday, 29 October 2020 – 1<sup>st</sup> Session

- 08:45 Join the platform
- 09:00 **Introduction and practical information**  
*Kleoniki Pouikli, Course Director, ERA*
- 09:15 **“Ice-breaking” exercise with the participants**  
*Kleoniki Pouikli, Course Director, ERA*
- 09:30 **EU toolbox for national judges and prosecutors**
- Access to justice
  - Preliminary reference on interpretation and validity
  - Supremacy of EU law
  - Principles of equivalence and effectiveness
- Matthias Keller*
- 10:45 Break
- 11:00 **Principles of EU environmental law**  
*An Cliquet*
- 12:00 Break
- 12:15 **Case study on the EU environmental principles**
- Introduction to the case study
  - Working groups
  - Plenary discussion of the results
- An Cliquet*
- 13:30 End of the first session

## Friday, 30 October 2020 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Session

- 08:45 Join the platform
- 09:00 **Welcome and practical information**  
*Kleoniki Pouikli, Course Director, ERA*
- 09:15 **EU nature protection legislation**
- Focus on Articles 4, 6, 12 and 16 of the Habitats Directive
  - Focus on Article 9 of the Birds Directive
  - CJEU case law
- Lorenzo Squintani*
- 10:30 Break
- 11:00 **EU environmental impact assessment law**
- EIA Directive
  - SEA Directive
  - CJEU case law
- Christoph Sobotta*
- 12:15 Quiz session
- 12:30 Break
- 12:45 **Overview of the Environmental Liability Directive (ELD)**  
*Valerie Fogleman*
- 13:30 End of the second session

## Objective

The aim of this 4-session online workshop is to provide participants with a thorough introduction to EU environmental law. Lectures coupled with workshops and practical case studies will offer a comprehensive overview of the main areas of EU environmental legislation and policy as well as CJEU case law. Emphasis will be given to the role of national judges and prosecutors in order to facilitate the handling of future national court procedures in the field of environmental law.

## Who should attend?

Judges and prosecutors interested in environmental law

## Interactive Webinar

The online workshop will be hosted on ERA's own online training platform. You will be able to interact immediately and directly with our top-quality speakers and other participants, break out into working groups and work collaboratively on case studies. We will make the most of the technical tools available to deliver an intensive, interactive training experience. As the platform is hosted on our own server, the highest security settings will be applied to ensure that you can participate safely in a high-quality online training environment



**Times indicated are CET  
(Central European Time)**

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## Thursday, 5 November 2020 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Session

- 08:45 Join the platform
- 09:00 **Welcome and practical information**  
*Kleoniki Pouikli, Course Director, ERA*
- 09:15 **Air quality legislation**
- Air Quality Directive
  - Links with National Emissions Ceilings (NEC) Directive
- Ugo Taddei*
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 **Access to justice in environmental matters**
- Aarhus Convention
  - Commission Notice on Access to Justice in Environmental Matters
- Lorenzo Squintani*
- 11:30 Break
- 11:45 **Legislation on industrial emissions and accidents**
- Industrial Emissions Directive and Medium Combustion Plants Directive
  - Mercury Regulation (EU) 2017/852
  - Seveso III Directive
- Valerie Fogleman*
- 12:15 **Case study on access to justice**
- Introduction to the case study
  - Working groups
  - Plenary discussion of the results
- Ugo Taddei*
- 13:30 End of the third session

## Friday, 6 November 2020 – 4<sup>th</sup> Session

- 08:45 Join the platform
- 09:00 **Welcome and practical information**  
*Kleoniki Pouikli, Course Director, ERA*
- 09:15 **EU waste law and policy**
- Waste Framework Directive
  - Waste Streams Directives
  - Waste operations: landfilling and incineration
  - Shipment of waste
- 10:30 Quiz Session
- 10:45 Break
- 11:00 **EU water quality legislation**
- Water Framework Directive
  - Drinking Water Directive
  - Nitrates Directive
- 12:00 Quiz session
- 13:00 **Evaluation of the workshop**  
*Kleoniki Pouikli*
- 13:30 End of the online workshop

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## Terms and conditions of participation

### Selection

1. Participation is only open to judges and prosecutors from an EU Member State.
2. The number of places available is limited. Participation will be subject to a selection procedure. Selection will be dependent on:
  - i. the relevance of the seminars to the professional life of the applicant;
  - ii. geographical and linguistic balance among the participants will be sought;
  - iii. In case of exceeding applications, only one person per institution may be accepted.
3. Online applications can be made until **7 October 2020**
4. A response will be given to every applicant of this workshop shortly after this deadline. We advise you not to book any travel or hotel before you receive our confirmation.

### Registration Fee

5. There is no registration fee.

### Participation

6. Participation to the whole workshop is required and your presence will be monitored.
7. A list of participants including each participant's address will be made available to all participants unless the ERA receives written objection from the participant no later than one week prior to the beginning of the event.
8. The participant's address and other relevant information will be stored in ERA's database in order to provide information about future ERA events, publications and/or other developments in the participant's area of interest unless the participant indicates that he or she does not wish ERA to do so.
9. A certificate of attendance will be issued at the end of the workshop.
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