13th Polar Law Symposium

### Panel on Policy-Law-Science Nexus in Polar Regions

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# Antarctic policy-science interface: A way forward

11 November 2020 (Wed) 17:00-19:00 JST / 8:00-10:00 GMT Zoom Meeting (pre-registration required)

### **Speakers:**

Ewan McIvor (Australian Antarctic Division)
Kevin Hughes (British Antarctic Survey)
Neil Gilbert (Constantia Consulting)

This seminar is co-organised by SCAR SCHASS Action Group on PoLSciNex











### Mr. Ewan McIvor



Mr Ewan McIvor is Senior Environmental Policy Adviser with the Australian Antarctic Division (AAD) of the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment. He has worked at the AAD for over 20 years in a range of environmental management and policy roles. Mr McIvor is Australia's representative to the Committee for Environmental Protection (CEP), the peak intergovernmental body for considering protection of the Antarctic environment. He was the CEP Chair from 2015-2018 and a Vice-Chair from 2008-2012.

### Dr. Kevin Hughes



Dr Kevin A. Hughes is the Environmental Research and Monitoring Manager at the British Antarctic Survey (BAS). He is a member of the UK Delegation to the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting (ATCM), Vice-Chair of the Committee for Environmental Protection (CEP) and Convenor of the Subsidiary Group on Climate Change Response (SGCCR). Within the context of the Antarctic, he has broad science and policy interests including conservation, geological heritage, area protection, non-native species, environmental impact assessment, bioprospecting, environmental monitoring and the expansion of human footprint. He has visited the polar regions 11 times, including one Antarctic winter.

### Dr. Neil Gilbert



Dr Neil Gilbert has worked on Polar issues in various roles for over 30 years. On behalf of the UK and, more recently, New Zealand he has attended numerous meetings of the Antarctic Treaty and its Committee for Environmental Protection (CEP) of which he was the Chair between 2007 and 2010. Dr Gilbert now runs his own Antarctic consultancy company based in Christchurch, New Zealand through which he works on a range of Antarctic projects. Dr Gilbert is the Editor of SCAR's Antarctic Environments Portal. He is also leading an Expert Group on the science-policy interface as part of New Zealand's Antarctic Science Platform.



Introduction and presentation of the speakers

Ewan McIvor: "The important role of science in international efforts to protect the Antarctic environment"

Kevin Hughes: "Enhancing science-policy communication to deliver the Committee for Environmental Protection's Climate Change Response Work Programme"

Neil Gilbert: "Assessing the policy impact of the Antarctic Environments Portal"

Q & A

Final remarks

# Panel on Emerging legal, policy and scientific issues in the Antarctic presents online interactive seminar

## Polar Regions, International Law and Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

17 November 2020 (Tue) 10:30-12:30 JST

**Zoom Meeting (pre-registration through the PLS website required)** 

### **Speakers**

Claire Christian, the Antarctic and Southern Ocean Coalition & Nicolas Bransome Nicolas Kempf, the University of Montreal







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### **Claire Christian**

Ms. Claire Christian has worked for the Antarctic and Southern Ocean Coalition (ASOC) since 2009 and has substantial expertise on a full range of issues relevant to the Antarctic environment. Claire leads ASOC's delegations to Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meetings (ATCMs) and meetings of the Commission on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR). She has authored blogs, opinion pieces, and academic articles, and has been interviewed by a wide variety of international publications and media outlets. Claire has a special fondness for Antarctica's fascinating but little-known invertebrate species, and aspires to make them as famous and beloved as penguins. She has an M.A. in International Affairs from the American University, School of International Service.

### **Nicolas Kempf**

Mr. Nicolas Kempf is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Montreal, under the supervision of Pr. Suzanne Lalonde. Mr. Kempf's research examines Antarctica's deep seabed legal regime, and is hence at the crossroads of various legal streams, including the Law of the Sea, International Environmental Law, and Polar Law. In 2018 and 2019, he was a CIGI research fellow, he is now with the North American and Arctic Defence and Security Network (NAADSN), and with the University of Montreal's Center for International Studies. In January 2021, he will be lecturer in international law at the University of Montreal's Faculty of law.

# Discussion-oriented seminar on Polar Regions, International Law and Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

#### Claire Christian & Nicole Bransome:

"An Antarctic perspective on the BBNJ and IPCC processes"

### **Nicolas Kempf:**

"Post-2048 ATS: Some inspiring International Seabed Authority tools"

Q & A

#### Research questions:

What are the implications of some recent developments in international law pertaining to areas beyond national jurisdiction (namely the BBNJ Convention) for the legal regime of the Antarctic?

What are the passible present/future interactions between the ATS and UNCLOS (Namely ISA) with respect to the seabed in the Southern Ocean?

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# Antarctic Governance: Interfaces between Law and Science?

19 November 2020 (Thu) 15:00-17:00 JST/ 6:00-08:00 GMT Zoom Meeting (pre-registration required)

## **Speakers:**

Yelena Yermakova (University of Oslo, Norway)
Valeria Eboli (Italian Navy Academy and University of Pisa, Italy)
Gustavo Ramírez Buchheister (University of Magallanes, Chile)







### Ms. Yelena Yermakova



Ms Yermakova is a PhD. candidate in Political Theory at the University of Oslo. She is interested in the interaction of public policy and political philosophy with a focus on the legitimacy of international institutions. Currently, as a part of her doctoral dissertation, she is developing a series of essays on the future governance of Antarctica. She got her MPA from Cornell University where she focused on the Arctic region in the context of the U.S. – Russian relations.

### Dr. Valeria Eboli



Dr Eboli is Professor of International Law at the Italian Naval Academy. She teaches at the University of Pisa and she is Chair of the Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Naval and Maritime Sciences of the same University. Additionally, she is Chair of the Subcommittee on Maritime Law and Refugee Migration at Sea of the Comité Maritime International. Her main research interests include the legal regimes of areas beyond national jurisdiction, human rights and international law of the sea.

### Mr. Gustavo Ramírez



Mr Ramírez Buchheister is a lecturer of History of Law and Public International Law and researcher at University of Magallanes (Punta Arenas, Chile). He is currently an LL.M. candidate at Philipps-Universität Marburg (Germany). His research focuses on the legal regimes of the polar regions, sovereignty, and lately, its contact points with EU-law.

# Discussion-oriented seminar on Antarctic Governance: Interfaces between Law and Science

Introduction and presentation of the speakers

Yelena Yermakova: "The Rule of Law and the Science Pillar in the Antarctic Governance"

Valeria Eboli: "Bioprospecting: different legal regimes for Arctic and Antarctic or a single legal regime?"

Gustavo Ramirez Buchheister: "The Antarctic Extended Continental Shelf: Lessons from the Arctic"

Q & A Final remarks

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## Recent Developments of International Environmental Law in the Polar Regions

24 November 2020 (Tue) 08:00-10:00 JST

**Zoom Meeting (pre-registration through the PLS website required)** 

### **Speakers**

Carolina Flores Barros, Leiden University Xueping Li, Wuhan University







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### Carolina Flores Barros

Ms. Carolina Flores Barros is a Chilean Lawyer and Advanced LL.M in Public International Law (Leiden University). Her field of specialization is international environmental law, with a special focus on Antarctica. As an early-career scholar at the Faculty of Law of the University of Chile, she has organised and participated in several seminars, symposia and conferences, presenting her research in International Law and Antarctica.

### **Xueping Li**

Dr. Xueping Li is full professor of the Law School of Wuhan University. Her constant research field is Public International Law, and her contemporary research areas are International Trade Law (WTO Law) and Polar Law. She has individually published three academic books and more than 50 academic papers and articles both in Chinese and English. However, she is still a newcomer in polar legal studies because of just stepping in it in late 2015, and she is always interested in reading and listening to all viewpoints on polar law.



## Polar Regions, International Law and Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

#### **Carolina Flores:**

"Responsibility to protect the environment and polar regions: current trends"

### Xueping Li:

"Conserving the Outstanding Aesthetic Value in Antarctica: The Matching Rules and Environmental Regulation"

Q & A