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## **ABOUT THE CONFERENCE**

Global governance bodies increasingly perform activities of government, including through the regulation of individual human and collective State activity. Yet the integrity of global governance today is contingent on the function and role of international law. This is evidenced by States actively expanding the breadth and scope of international rules to regulate emerging challenges, including sea-level rise and cyberspace. The development of international rules on themes such as marine activities, armed conflict, international trade, and human rights, equally demonstrate the contribution of international law. However, as the Sustainable Development Goals indicate, international law must rise to meet new issues, including eradicating hunger and poverty, empowering girls and women, and protecting the environment. The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic reminds us that for crises faced by humankind, solutions must be coordinated at a global scale.

Individual biographies of panelists are available at this [link](#).

## **ABOUT THE CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL (CILJ)**

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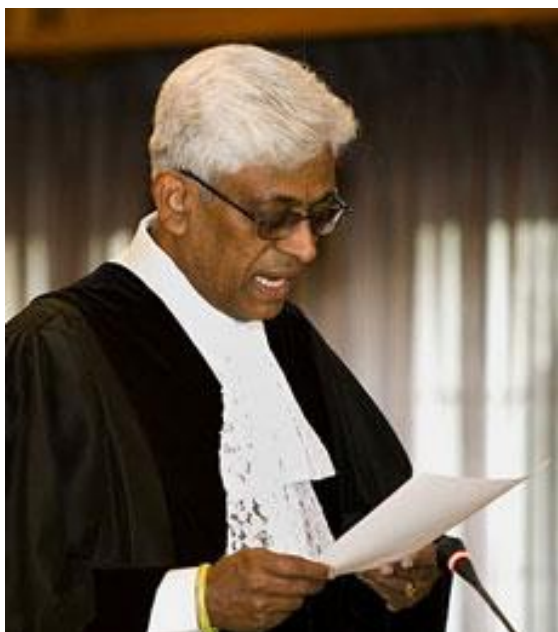


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## FEATURED KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



**DR. P. S. RAO** is an international lawyer who headed the Legal and Treaties Division, Ministry of External Affairs, India, and was the chief legal advisor of India on international law matters from 1985 to 2002. He was Judge *ad hoc* of the International Court of Justice in the case concerning sovereignty over Pedra Branca/Pulau Batu Pateh, Middle Rocks and South Ledge from 2004–2008. He was a member of the International Law Commission from 1987 to 2006 and served as its chairman in 1995.

Dr. Rao is an expert in the prevention of and international liability for transboundary harm arising from hazardous activities. He served as a Special Rapporteur for the subject of Prevention and Liability from 1997–2006 and has been a member of the Bangladesh-India Maritime Arbitration Tribunal since 2010.

Presently, he is a Special adviser in the office of the Attorney-General, State of Qatar and Visiting Professor at the Center for International Law Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University. He is an honorary visiting professor at Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University, Visakhapatnam.



**MS. MAJA GROFF** is an international lawyer who has assisted in the development and servicing of multilateral treaties, also working at various international criminal tribunals and teaching regularly at the Hague Academy of International Law. She has worked on existing and potential global treaties addressing, *inter alia*, areas of child law, issues disproportionately affecting women, persons with disabilities, access to legal information and a range of other topics, as well as on the pioneering International Hague Network of Judges. She has regularly conducted liaison work with international organisations (including various UN bodies), international professional associations, NGOs and has played a key role in the convening of a range of international legal expert groups.

Ms. Groff has drafted international legal policy documents for inter-governmental processes and published academically on private and public international law, human rights and global governance.

She is admitted to practice in the state of New York and has served on the International Law and UN Committees of the New York City Bar Association, and the (Advisory) Boards of BCorp Europe and ebbf, organisations devoted to ethical business. She was a winner of the 2018 New Shape Prize for global governance innovation.



**PROFESSOR ERNST ULRICH PETERSMANN** taught constitutional law at the Universities of Hamburg and Heidelberg and was a Professor of international law and European law at the Universities of St. Gallen, Fribourg, Geneva, the Geneva Graduate Institute of International Relations and the European University Institute at Florence. As a visiting professor, Professor Petersmann taught international economic law at the Hague Academy of International Law, the EUI Academy of European Law, the Xiamen Academy of International Law, and at numerous Universities in Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Spain, the USA, Latin-America, South-Africa, China, India and Singapore.

Professor Petersmann has published more than 30 books and 350 contributions to books and journals focusing on international law, European law and comparative constitutional law. He worked as legal counsel for the German government representing Germany in European and UN institutions (1978-1980), as well as legal counsel in GATT and legal

consultant for the WTO (1981-2021). He served as secretary, member or chairman on GATT and WTO dispute settlement panels and as chairman of the International Trade Law Committee of the International Law Association (1999-2014).

# OVERVIEW

## SATURDAY 26 MARCH 2022

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11:10 – 13:10	<b>Panel 2:</b> Governing the Climate and Environment
13:10 – 14:10	<i>Break for Lunch</i>
14:20 – 16:20	<b>Panel 3:</b> Protecting Human Rights
16:20 – 16:30	<i>Break</i>
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## SUNDAY 27 MARCH 2022

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11:10 – 13:10	<b>Panel 6:</b> Opportunities for Global Governance
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16:20 – 16:30	<i>Break</i>
16:30 – 18:00	<b>Panel 8:</b> Regulating the Global Economy
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9:25 – 9:40	<b>Sarthak Roy</b> , Human Rights Specialist, Richemont International SA <i>Commissions of Inquiry as Bulwarks Against Impunity</i>
9:40 – 9:55	<b>Dr. Agata Kleczkowska</b> , Assistant Professor, Institute of Law Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences <i>Enforcing International Law Through Sanctions: From Comprehensive to Horizontal Sanctions. Is International Law Heading in the Right Direction?</i>
9:55 – 10:10	<b>Xiao Mao</b> , D.Phil Candidate, University of Oxford; Judicial Fellow, International Court of Justice <i>Promoting Global Governance through Granting Effective Remedies: Comparison of Recent Remedy Cases in the International Court of Justice and the International Criminal Court</i>
10:10 – 10:25	<b>Pushkar Keshavmurthy</b> , Case Manager, Mumbai Center for International Arbitration <b>Daniela-Olivia Ghicajanu</b> , LL.M. Candidate, Georgetown University Law Center <i>Security for Costs in ISDS: Is the UNCITRAL Working Group III Leading to the Predictable Global Governance of International Adjudication?</i>
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11:20 – 11:35	<b>Santosh Anand</b> , Assistant Professor of Law, Alliance University, Bangalore, India <i>Modified Continuity: International Criminal Law and the Vision of 'Ecocide'</i>
11:35 – 11:50	<b>Dr. Carlos Soria-Rodríguez</b> , Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Jaén <i>Marine Renewable Energy Technologies in the High Seas: Challenges and Opportunities to Strengthen International Environmental and Renewable Energy Governance</i>
11:50 – 12:05	<b>Thiago Pires Oliveira</b> , Ph.D. Candidate, University of São Paulo <b>Dr. Tagore Trajano de Almeida Silva</b> , Professor, Catholic University of Salvador <i>The Proposals for Regulation of Methane Emissions as Turning Point of Global Climate Governance: A Socio-legal Approach</i>
12:05 – 12:20	<b>Danilo B. Garrido Alves</b> , Ph.D. Candidate, University of Oxford <i>The Analogy between Corporations and International Organizations: towards a new, UNGP-based approach to studying global governance</i>
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14:30 – 14:45	<b>Dr. Sophie Duroy</b> , Fellow, KFG Berlin-Potsdam Research Group 'The International Rule of Law: Rise or Decline?' <i>The Case for a Human Rights Approach to Global Security</i>
14:45 – 15:00	<b>Dr. Maxwell Young Joo</b> , Associate Professor, Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University <i>The Passion of Global Governance as a Threat to International Law: The Irreversible Precedent of Libya and UNSC Resolution 1973 Legitimizing Illegality under Humanitarianism and Democratic Intervention</i>
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15:15 – 15:30	<b>Md Khalid Rahman</b> , Assistant Professor of Law, American International University-Bangladesh

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16:30 – 16:45	<b>Dr. Thanapat Chatinakrob</b> , Lecturer, Faculty of Law, Thammasat University, Thailand <i>Rethinking the Scope of International Law Regulating Information Operations: Lesson Learned From a Crime of Online Genocide in Myanmar</i>
16:45 – 17:00	<b>Dr. Giovanni De Gregorio</b> , Postdoctoral Researcher, Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, University of Oxford <b>Dr. Roxana Radu</b> , Lecturer, Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford <i>Back and Forth in Global Internet Governance: Public and Private Authority Examined</i>
17:00 – 17:15	<b>Yuan Fang</b> : J.S.D Candidate, Washington University in St. Louis, School of Law <i>The Global Governance of Cyberspace Within the UN Charter Context: Main Issues, Methodology, and the Pathway Forward</i>
17:15 – 17:30	<b>Dr. Asaf Lubin</b> , Associate Professor of Law, Indiana University Maurer School of Law <i>The Law and Politics of Ransomware</i>
17:30 – 17:45	<b>Dr. María Vásquez Callo-Müller</b> , Post-Doctoral Researcher, University of Lucerne <b>Dr. Iryna Bogdanova</b> , Research Fellow, World Trade Institute <i>Unilateral Cyber Sanctions and Global Cybersecurity Governance</i>
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## SUNDAY 27 MARCH 2022

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9:10 – 9:25	<b>Emmanuel Saffa Abdulai</b> , Founder and Executive Director, Society for Democratic Initiatives <i>The Emerging Trend in International Law and Global Governance: the African Experience</i>
9:25 – 9:40	<b>Medy Dervovic</b> , Research Assistant, Stefansson Arctic Institute <b>Katharina Heinrich</b> , Junior Researcher, Arctic Centre, University of Lapland <i>Law-Science Nexus in International Law-Making: Perspectives from Arctic Fisheries Governance</i>
9:40 – 9:55	<b>Dr. Arpitha Kodiveri</b> , Postdoctoral Researcher, New York University School of Law <i>Jurisdictional Leapfrogging: The Right to Self-Determination and Legal Mobilization by Forest-dwelling communities in India</i>
9:55 – 10:10	<b>Tsubasa Shinohara</b> , Ph.D. Candidate, University of Lausanne <i>Global Governance in International Esports Society?</i>
10:10 – 10:25	<b>Marissa Sterling</b> , J.D. Candidate, Georgetown University Law Center <i>Course-Correcting for Unexpected Flow: A Discussion of Trade in Virtual Water and the Global Water Governance Regime</i>
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11:20 – 11:35	<b>Dr. Alexandra Harrington</b> , Lecturer in Law, Lancaster University Law School <i>Global Governance and International Law Synergies in the Face of Emergency</i>
11:35 – 11:50	<b>Ilias Ioannou</b> , Ph.D. Candidate, Queen Mary University of London <i>Relational Networks in International Trade Platforms'</i>
11:50 – 12:05	<b>Hedvig Lärka</b> , Ph.D. Candidate, University of Gothenburg <i>Capital Flight as Creature of Sovereignty: A Posthumanist Approach to Corporate Income Taxation and the 'Global Tax Base' of Pillar II?</i>
12:05 – 12:20	<b>Trang (Mae) Nguyen</b> , Assistant Professor, Temple University, Beasley School of Law <i>International Law as Hedging</i>
12:20 – 12:35	<b>Gayathri Venugopal</b> , LL.B. Candidate, Government Law College

**Ashish Jain Prakash**, LL.B. Candidate, Pravin Gandhi College of Law  
*Reimagining International Law: Feminist Activism, Erudition and Transformative Disarmament*

12:35 – 12:55 **Discussion**

12:55 – 13:10 **Question and Answer**

13:10 – 14:10 *Break for Lunch*

14:20 – 16:20 **Panel 7: Strengthening Roles of Established and Emerging Actors**

14:20 – 14:30 **Remarks from the Chair:** Dr. Nafay Choudhury, Junior Research Fellow, St. Catharine's College, University of Cambridge

14:30 – 14:45 **Rebecca Barber**, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Queensland  
*The Role of the UN General Assembly in Determining the Legitimacy of Governments*

14:45 – 15:00 **Dr. Leslie-Anne Duvic-Paoli**, Senior Lecturer in Environmental Law, King's College London  
*Citizens at the Global Governance Table: The Global Citizens' Assembly on the Climate Emergency and The Making of International Climate Law*

15:00 – 15:15 **Dr. Abhishek Trivedi**, Assistant Professor of Law, Institute of Legal Studies and Research, GLA University, Mathura, India  
*Global Governance of REDD+ and the Challenges of Applying the International Law of Free, Prior and Informed Consent: Moving Towards an Integrated Human Rights-based Approach*

15:15 – 15:30 **Dr. David Hughes**, Assistant Professor, Canadian Forces College  
**Dr. Yahli Shereshevsky**, Senior Lecturer, University of Haifa School of Law  
*State-Academic Lawmaking as Global Governance*

15:30 – 15:45 **Dr. Agnieszka Szpak**, Associate Professor, Nicolaus Copernicus University  
*Global Governance, International Law, and Cities*

15:45 – 16:05 **Discussion**

16:05 – 16:20 **Question and Answer**

16:20 – 16:30 *Break*

16:30 – 18:30 **Panel 8: Regulating the Global Economy**

16:30 – 16:40 **Remarks from the Chair:** Professor Lorand Bartels, Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge

16:40 – 16:55 **Dr. Mariela de Amstalden**, LL.M. Lecturer in Law, Birmingham Law School  
*Global Food Governance through International Law: The Case for Cell-Based Foods*

16:55 – 17:10 **Joel Slawotsky**, Faculty, Reichman University  
*Corporate Monitoring of the State to Ensure Compliance with International Law*

17:10 – 17:25 **Keer Huang**, Ph.D. Candidate, Wuhan University Institute of Law  
*Development and Challenges of Global Subsidy Governance: An International Investment Law Perspective*

17:25 – 17:45

**Discussion**

17:45 – 18:00

**Question and Answer**

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18:05 – 18:50

**Keynote Address:** Professor Ernst Ulrich Petersmann, chaired by Professor Lorand Bartels

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**Final Concluding Remarks**

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**END OF PROGRAMME**

## CHAIR BIOGRAPHIES



**MS. MELINA ANTONIADIS** is a Canadian lawyer specialising in public international law and human rights. She has advised in proceedings before the International Court of Justice, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and the European Court of Human Rights, and has held positions at the Court of Justice of the European Union and the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia.

Ms. Antoniadis is currently a Project Attorney for Blue Ocean Law, providing assistance to the Republic of Vanuatu in its initiative to request an Advisory Opinion on climate change from the International Court of Justice. A member of the Law Society of Ontario, Ms. Antoniadis completed her training at the Crown Law Office Civil of the Ontario Ministry of the

Attorney General.



**DR. JOHN BARKER** is a Fellow of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law and Director of Cambridge Governance Labs. His principal areas of current professional engagement are governance risk, environmental law, administrative justice, and human rights. As former Chairman of the Foreign Compensation Commission, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, his area of focus was international claims.

With professional experience in Africa spanning more than 30 years, he has advised the UNDP, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, European Commission, CIDA and DFID on the promotion of the rule of law, anti-corruption strategies and transitional justice.



**PROFESSOR CATHERINE BARNARD** is a Professor of EU law and Employment Law and a senior tutor and fellow of Trinity College. She is the author of *EU Employment Law*, *The Substantive Law of the EU: The Four Freedoms*, and *European Union Law*. She is a member of the European Commission funded European Labour Law Network and a Senior Fellow in the U.K. in the Changing Europe Project. This think tank researches and provides information about all aspects of Brexit. Part of its remit is to make that information accessible to the public via public engagement, especially with the media.

She has appeared extensively on the main media channels, such as BBC, ITV and Sky, as well as some of the more specialist programmes such as Law in Action, Woman's Hour and the Briefing Room. She has also written for The Guardian and The Telegraph. Dr. Barnard has given evidence to numerous select committees on the legal issues connected with Brexit, immigration and the European Union (Withdrawal) Act. She has her own podcast, 2903cb, where she blogs on Brexit.



**PROFESSOR LORAND BARTELS** is a fellow of Trinity Hall at the University of Cambridge, where he teaches international law, WTO law and EU law at the Faculty of Law. He was appointed MBE in the 2022 Queen's New Year Honours List for services to UK trade policy. Professor Bartels is a general editor of the Cambridge International Trade and Economic Law Series (CUP), and an editorial board member of several journals, including the *Journal of International Economic Law*, *Journal of World Trade* and *Legal Issues of Economic Integration*. He also helped to establish the Society of International Economic Law.

Professor Bartels practices in trade law as counsel at Freshfields, and he has advised on WTO and FTA law, as well on general international law and EU law, for a number of countries, NGOs, international organizations, and the private sector. In 2011, he was commissioned by the Southern African Development Community (SADC) Ministers of Justice to conduct a review of the SADC Tribunal, which led to a new Protocol to the SADC Treaty. From 2016–2017 he was the first Specialist Advisor to the UK House of Commons Select Committee on International Trade. Professor Bartels has appeared on numerous occasions before parliamentary select committees in the UK, Belgium, as well as the European Parliament, and has significant experience in conducting training in trade law for government officials from a range of countries, such as the UK, Australia, Vietnam and others.

In 2019 he was appointed a member of the UK Government's Alternative Arrangements Advisory Group (AAAG), advising ministers on means of mitigating controls on the Ireland/Northern Ireland border. In 2021 he was appointed the first Chair of the UK's Trade and Agricultural Commission advising the Government and Parliament on the impact of new FTAs on the maintenance of UK animal and plant health, environmental and animal welfare standards.



**DR. NAFAY CHOUDHURY** is a Junior Research Fellow at St Catharine's. His work sits at the intersection of socio-legal studies, legal pluralism, economic development, and the rule of law. His current research looks at the role of market associations in providing normative order in fragile settings.

Dr. Choudhury completed his Ph.D. at King's College London where he undertook an ethnographic study of Afghanistan's money exchangers to understand the interaction of state and nonstate legal systems in the production of legal order. He has been a Research Fellow for the Institute for Global Law and Policy at Harvard Law School since 2019 and is Senior Research Fellow at the Afghan Institute for Strategic Studies.

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**DR. MARKUS GEHRING** is the Director of the Centre for European Legal Studies (CELS), Fellow and Director of Studies in Law at Hughes and a Fellow of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law. Before joining the Law Faculty, he served for two years as Tutor in Sustainable Development Law, he was also Fellow in Law at Robinson College 2005-2012. He has been a Visiting Professor in several law faculties around the world and held a Jean Monnet Research Chair ad personam in Sustainable Development Law at the University of Ottawa Law Faculty in Canada.

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