

Conference  
Damages to Nature:  
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## Programme

Thursday 2 November 2023

10:00am-5:30pm

This conference is part of one of the axes of the COP28, which is damages. One of the issues at stake is how to represent nature in court and how to compensate it.

As nature does not have a legal personality, it was necessary to find ways of representing it. How can a bird population or a forest be represented in court? Representation by associations whose purpose is the protection of the environment is used; a nature park can be given legal personality.

Is this sufficient? Is it necessary to give legal personality to emanations of Nature?

Therefore, it is necessary to determine the appropriate means for repairing this damage: how to assess it, how to carry out reparation in kind?

Public and private international law are called upon in the framework of this conference to provide an initial response, as the damage is frequently transnational in nature.

Secondly, it is time for the trial, and the issues of legal representation, prevention and

compensation for damages are then discussed.

Finally, the stakeholders should specify in concrete terms how legal professionals approach these issues of damage to nature in the UAE and the existing measures of protection.

Welcoming and Opening Remarks  
*Prof. Nathalie Martial-Braz,*  
*Vice-Chancellor, Sorbonne*  
*University Abu Dhabi*  
**10:00am**

Keynote Speech  
*Mr. Francesco La Camera, Director-*  
*General of the International*  
*Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)*  
**10:20am**

**INTERNATIONAL APPROACH TO  
DAMAGES TO NATURE**  
*Moderator Dr. Beatriz Garcia -*  
*Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi*

Climate Change Challenges: the  
Forthcoming Risks  
*Prof Nicolas Angelet, Université*  
*Libre de Bruxelles*  
**10:30am**

Damages in International Treaties,  
Legal Provisions and Silences  
*Dr. Derek Elzein, Université Paris*  
*Cité, Sorbonne University Abu*  
*Dhabi*  
**11:00 am**

State Responses in Addressing  
Environmental Damages to Nature  
*Dr. Dorsaf Danezli, Université Paris*  
*Cité*  
**11:30 am**

Applicable Law and Jurisdiction in  
Environmental Litigations  
*Prof. Olivera Boskovic, Université*  
*Paris Cité*  
**12:00pm**

Lunch Break (buffet)  
**12:30pm**

**NATURE IN A TRIAL**  
*Moderator Dr. Maïa Hamrouni -*  
*Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi*

Liability for Environmental  
Damages in International Law  
*Pr. Nitish Monebhurrun - University*  
*Center of Brasilia*  
**1:30pm**

Who is The Nature in Litigation?  
Representation and Compensation  
*Prof Luc Grynbaum, Université Paris*  
*Cité, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi*  
**2:00pm**

Prevention of Damages in Climate  
Change Litigation  
*Pr. Mathilde Hautereau-*  
*Boutonnet - University Aix Marseille*  
**2:30pm**

How to Manage Damages? An  
Economic Perspective  
*Prof Yannick Perez Université Paris-*  
*Saclay, CentraleSupélec*  
**3:00pm**

Coffee Break  
**3:30pm**



## **CASE STUDY**

Challenges of Nature Repair and Protection in the UAE: The case of Expanding and Repairing the UAE Marine Ecosystems Through Artificial Reef Techniques.

**4:00pm**

*Dr. Jean-Michel Morinière - Legal framework and moderator - Partner at Al Aidarous Advocates and Legal consultants, Abu Dhabi-Dubai*

*Mr. Darryl Owen - CEO Freestyle Divers LLC and Founder of Project REEFrame*

*Ms. Olivia Wu - Business development Manager, Archireef*





