

Global Corporations and International Law PhD/Early Career Researcher Workshop

Laureate Program in Global Corporations and International Law,
Lauterpacht Centre for International Law

15 & 16 December 2022
Cambridge, UK



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Thursday, 15 December 2022

9:00-9:30 am

Welcome and Introduction: Sundhya Pahuja and Surabhi Ranganathan

9:30-11:00 am

Panel 1: Histories

Chair: Sundhya Pahuja

Commentator: Shaun McVeigh

“Animales o alemanes”: The Welser in Venezuela

Hannah Franzki

Free University Berlin (Germany)

South Africa, the Corporation & International Law

Christopher Gevers

University of KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa)

Two Case Studies on Authority & Accountability in Early 19th Century Company India

Nishant Gokhale

University of Cambridge (UK)

11:00-11:30 am – Tea Break

11:30 am-1:00 pm

Roundtable A: Imaginary and Narrative

Chair: Surabhi Ranganathan

Commentator: Andrew Sanger

Palaces versus Temples in Ancient Mesopotamia, and the VAT Treatment of Collective Potato Storage

Clair Quentin

King's College London / University of Kent (UK)

Locating Invention: International Law, Patent Properties and Corporate Form

Anna Saunders

University College London (UK)

Who Will Prevail Tomorrow?

Veena Manikulam

University of Zurich (Switzerland)

Making the 'air' of International Investment Law: Jurisdiction, Race and Capital

Tim Lindgren

Lauterpacht Centre for International Law (UK) / University of Melbourne (Australia)

Corporations as Interpretative Entrepreneurs in Investment Arbitration: The legitimate Expectations' Revolution

Clara Maria López Rodríguez

King's College London (UK)

The Limits of my Language are the Limits of my Perception: War, the Corporation and Structural Economic Harm

Shahd Hammouri

Kent University (UK)

1:00-2:00 pm – Lunch Break

2:00-3:30 pm

Panel 2: Archive and Excavation

Chair: Boyd van Dijk

Commentator: Jason Jackson

Safeguarding Foreign Investments Within the Framework of International Law: The Case of the French Mining and Petroleum Companies in the 1950s.

Nicolas Hafner

Geneva Graduate Institute (Switzerland)

The Hidden Agenda of 'Corporate Compliance': Anglo-American Companies in the Imperial Order (1600-1950)

Qing (Tony) Shi

University of Cambridge (UK) / Peking University (China)

From Enablement to Regulation - Corporate Foreign Expansion under International Economic Law

Victor Crochet

University of Cambridge (UK)

3:30-4:00 pm – Tea Break

4:00-5:30 pm

Roundtable B: Extraction, Regulation and Transition

Chair: Dan Danielsen

Commentator: Grietje Baars

Anaconda, Lithium Extraction, and the History of a Supply Chain

Caitlin Murphy

University of Melbourne (Australia)

Unveiling the Dual Dichotomy: Global Industrial Agriculture and International Law

Sean Madden

University of Birmingham (UK)

Corporations and the Temporal Ordering of International Law

K M Shazzad Mohashin

University of Glasgow (UK)

Transnational Water Norms and Institutional Work in Katherine, NT Australia

Roanna McClelland

University of Melbourne (Australia)

Family offices and Asian values: Capital and Labour in Singapore

U Bava Dharani

University of Sussex (UK)

Corporations and Global Environmental Governance: The Construction of Sustainable Corporate Governance

Gabriela de Oliveira Junqueira

King's College London (UK) / University of São Paulo (Brazil)

Friday, 16 December 2022

9:00-11:00 am

Panel 3: Dispute

Chair: Shaun McVeigh

Commentator: Dan Danielsen

Royal Dutch Shell's Foreign Investment Law: 1956-1989

Filip Batselé

Ghent University (Belgium)

Oil and trouble: Seeking accountability for Shell's environmental pollution in Nigeria

Stephen Bilko & Lauren Chaplin

Leigh Day (UK)

Extracting Natural Gas in the Rovuma Basin in Mozambique: The Role and the Place of the Law

Ana Carolina Dall'Agnol

University of Oxford (UK)

A Story of the Kakuzi SIKIKA "To Be Heard" Grievance Mechanism: Just Listening or also Providing Remedy?

Ben Grama

Tilburg University (Netherlands)

11:00-11:30 am – Tea Break

11:30 am-1:00 pm

Roundtable C: Regulation and Normativity

Chair: Margaret Young

Commentator: Anil Yilmaz Vastardis

Investor Due Diligence and Corporate Accountability in International (Investment) Law

Sek Lun Cheong

University of Melbourne (Australia)

Territorialising the Indian Ocean through sealanes, science and East India Company

Kate Jama

University of Melbourne (Australia)

Do Companies Have Human Rights?

Paolo Marshyn

Belarusian State University (Belarus)

Global Tech Corporations and Law Enforcement Cross-Border Data Requests

Tim Cochrane

University of Cambridge (UK)

Embracing the Complexity of the Regulatory Landscape of TNCs by adopting a Transnational Perspective

Lea Ina Schneider

Lauterpacht Centre for International Law (UK) / University of Zurich (Switzerland)

Global Coal Corporations and the Influence of the Climate Change Regime: A Source of Indirect Regulation of Coal?

Ella Vines

University of Melbourne (Australia)

1:00-2:00 pm – Lunch Break

2:00-3:30 pm

Panel 4: Companies Making Laws

Chair: Jason Jackson

Commentator: Kojo Koram

The Global Humanitarian Corporation and International Law

David Matyas

University of Cambridge (UK)

Ships, Seafarers and the ILO: The Role of Corporate Actors in Creating and Enforcing International Law

Darren Peterson

University of Cambridge (UK)

Amazon Web Services: Cloud Computing Corporations and Property Enforcement

Alina Utrata

University of Cambridge (UK)

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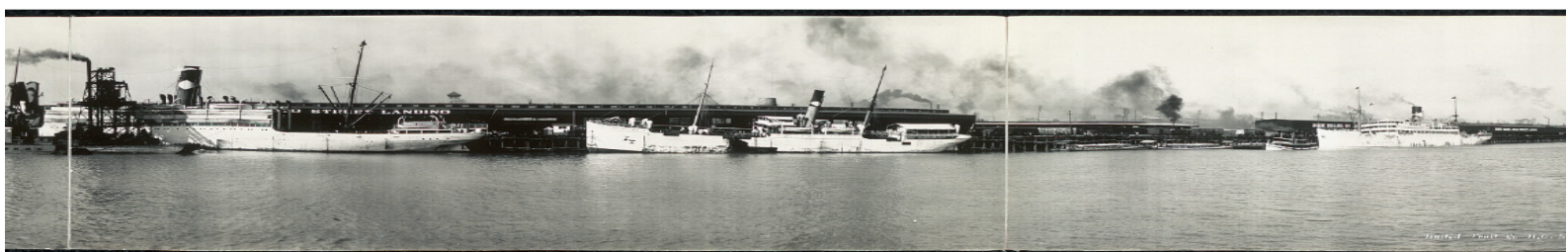
Closing Summary
Sundhya Pahuja and Surabhi Ranganathan - Joined by Others

5:30-8:30 pm – Drinks

Drinks Venue: TBC

Workshop Venue
Lauterpacht Centre for International Law
5 Cranmer Rd, Cambridge CB3 9BL, United Kingdom

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United Fruit Co., N.O., La. (c1910)

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Chairs and commentators



Andrew Sanger

Andrew Sanger is an Associate Professor of International Law at the University of Cambridge, a Fellow of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, and a Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. Andrew's research explores topical and structural questions of international law and global governance, with a current focus on the role, regulation and responsibility of global private actors, and their relationship with international law and the state. He is currently working on a book project called 'Everywhere and Nowhere: The Global Corporation in the International Legal Order'.



Anil Yilmaz Vastardis

Anil is a senior lecturer at Essex Law School and a co-director of the Essex Business and Human Rights Project. Her main research interests are in the fields of international investment law and business and human rights. Her research bridges the gap between corporate law, international investment law, human rights law, and tort law, examining how these areas can and should interact to operationalise human rights standards in the modern business context. She has published works on parent-subsiary relationships in the business and human rights context, non-financial reporting, duty of care in supply chain relationships, human rights in investment contracts and the embedded inequalities in the investment treaty regime.



Boyd van Dijk

Dr. Boyd van Dijk is a McKenzie Fellow at the Melbourne Law School. He's an historian of the international legal order and his research interests include the history of international organizations, decolonization, humanitarianism, human rights, and humanitarian law. His new book (Oxford University Press) presents a comparative study of the making of the 1949 Geneva Conventions.



Dan Danielsen

Dan Danielsen is a professor of law, faculty director of the LLM program, and faculty director of the Program on the Corporation, Law and Global Society at the Northwestern University School of Law. He teaches Corporations, Law and Economic Development, and Law and Inequality. His research explores the complex place of the business firm in social, political and economic governance. Prior to joining the faculty at Northeastern, Professor Danielsen was Executive Vice President and General Counsel of Europe Online Networks S.A. Previously, Professor Danielsen was a partner at Foley, Hoag & Eliot LLP in Boston.



Grietje Baars

Dr Grietje Baars is a Reader and Co-Director of the Centre for Law & Social Change at City, University of London. They use queer and Marxist theory to understand (and ultimately subvert) law's constitutive, ordering and ideological functions in society. Grietje's monograph (Law, Capital and the Corporation, Brill, 2019) is a historical-materialist analysis of current debates on corporate power, corporate accountability and business & human rights. Grietje co-edited The Corporation: A Critical, Multidisciplinary Handbook (CUP 2017). Grietje has a background in corporate legal practice (London) and human rights advocacy and litigation (Palestine and Berlin).



Jason Jackson

Jason Jackson is Assistant Professor of Political Economy in the Department of Urban Studies and Planning at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Jason's research is broadly concerned with the relationship between states and markets in processes of economic development and social transformation. Jason is currently engaged with projects on the role of anti-colonial economic nationalism in development; the rise of platform firms, the digital economy and the future of work; and the global governance of public health.



Kojo Koram

Dr Kojo Koram is a Senior Lecturer in Law at Birkbeck School of Law, University of London. He was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2011 and then received his PhD in 2017. In 2018, the Association for the Study of Law, Culture and the Humanities awarded his PhD the Julien Mezey Dissertation Award for the dissertation that most promises to enrich and advance interdisciplinary scholarship at the intersection of law, culture and the humanities. In 2022, he published his debut book *Uncommon Wealth: Britain and the Aftermath of Empire* (John Murray 2022) which was nominated for the 2022 Orwell Prize for Political Writing.



Margaret Young

Margaret Young is a Professor at Melbourne Law School who specialises in public international law, the law of the sea, international trade law, climate change and environmental law. She is currently leading an Australian Research Council-funded project with Professor Hilary Charlesworth on 'The Potential and Limits of International Adjudication'. Her last book, *The Impact of Climate Change Mitigation on Indigenous and Forest Communities* (CUP, 2017) won the Certificate of Merit in a Specialized Area of International Law from the American Society of International Law in 2019. She was awarded the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Academy of Environmental Law Junior Scholar Prize and the University of Melbourne Woodward Medal in Humanities and Social Sciences for her work *Trading Fish, Saving Fish: The Interaction between Regimes in International Law* (CUP, 2011).



Shaun McVeigh

Shaun McVeigh is a Professor at Melbourne Law School. He previously researched and taught at Griffith University in Queensland as well as Keele and Middlesex Universities in the United Kingdom. He has a long time association with critical legal studies in Australia and the UK. More recently he has been involved in convening a symposium "Of the South" that develops an account of lawful existence within the South. Shaun McVeigh has research interests in the fields of jurisprudence, health care, and legal ethics. His current research projects centre around three themes associated with refreshing a jurisprudence of jurisdiction: the development of accounts of a 'lawful' South; the importance of a civil prudence to thinking about the conduct of law (and lawyers); and, the continuing need to take account of the colonial legal inheritance of Australia and Britain.



Sundhya Pahuja

Sundhya Pahuja is ARC Kathleen Fitzpatrick Laureate Professor, Director of the Laureate Program in Global Corporations and International Law, and co-director of the Institute for International Law and the Humanities both at the Melbourne Law School. She is known for her work on the encounter between plural forms of international law, and the legal, historical, political and economic dimensions of the relations between Global South and North.



Surabhi Ranganathan

Surabhi Ranganathan is a Professor and the Deputy Director of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law at University of Cambridge. Ranganathan is also the author of *Strategically Created Treaty Conflicts and the Politics of International Law* (Cambridge University Press), which was an EJIL Editors' Choice for 2015. Surabhi Ranganathan's current work traces the co-constitution of international law and the ocean from 1945 to now, unsettling what we take as the givens in relation to the spatial zones, resource allocations and functional jurisdictions effected by the law of the sea.