

CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW

Seminar Series



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ENERGY INNOVATION AND CLIMATE CHANGE



SPEAKER

Prof Elizabeth Burleson School of Law University of South Dakota

Professor Burleson has an LL.M. in International Law from the London School of Economics (LSE) and a J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law. As a Fulbright Senior Specialist she is available to teach a summer course. She began participating in treaty negotiations at the United Nations in 1991 during proceedings for the United Nations Conference on the Environment and Development and helped draft the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), Agenda 21 and the Rio Declaration. She has written reports for the United Nations and delivered presentations at United Nations conferences.

Focusing on emerging International Law, Professor Burleson has been an advisor to UNICEF's Senior Advisor for the Environment and to the New York Director of the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP). She has also written reports for the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). A particular focus has been placed on design, development and implementation of human rights and environmental programs. She helped the UNEP Delegation and was a member of the National Wildlife Federation Delegation to the Copenhagen Climate Conference and a member of the UNICEF delegation to the Bali Climate Conference. Professor Burleson has also conducted legal research for Amnesty International's London based International Secretariat and New York based research division.

As a National University of Singapore Centre for International Law Visiting Fellow, she has researched energy & water security and law. Professor Burleson is currently a visiting professor at Florida State University College of Law.

INTRODUCTION

Innovation centres can play an important role in addressing climate change in Southeast Asia.

Facilitating a transition to energywater use that minimizes climate destabilization can and should be central in international, national, local, and individual actions going forward.

This can be an inclusive process that maximizes human security through legal coordination to achieve sustainable development.

FREE ADMISSION

Please register your interest to attend by emailing Ms Geraldine Ng at cilnwfg@nus.edu.sg

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