

## Trainer's Profile

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**Dr. Miko Maekawa** is Senior Research Fellow at the Asia and Middle East Program of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation (SPF). Prior to joining the SPF, she worked at several organizations including the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) (2000-2007), University of Tokyo as Assistant Professor with the "Wisdom of Water" (Suntory) Corporate Sponsored Research Program (2012) and the Graduate School of Human Sciences at Osaka University as Lecturer (2013). During her assignment at UNDP, Ms. Maekawa has managed a wide range of environmental projects on climate change mitigation, biodiversity conservation, and environmental mainstreaming. At SPF, she has been focusing her research on international climate regime and ocean governance. Ms. Maekawa graduated from Sophia University. She holds an M.Sc. in environment and development from the University of East Anglia (2000) and a Ph.D. in international studies from the University of Tokyo (2011).



**Dr. Nilüfer Oral** is Director of the Centre for International Law. Dr Oral has over 20 years of experience in the study, teaching and practice of international law. She has been a member of the Law Faculty at Istanbul Bilgi University since 1998. In 2016, she was elected by the UN General Assembly to the International Law Commission where she is co-chair of the study group on sea level rise in relation to international law. She has been nominated by Turkey to the International Law Commission (2022–2027).



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**Dr. Pavel Tkalich** settled in Singapore 30 years ago, and currently sharing research appointment between NUS' Coastal Protection and Flood Resilience Institute (CFI Sg), Tropical Marine Science Institute (TMSI NUS), and Technology Centre for Offshore and Marine, Singapore (TCOMS).

Pavel's research areas include Ocean/Coastal Processes, Water Quality Modelling and Environmental Impact Assessment, as well as Wave Dynamics (i.e., Tsunami, Tides, Wind-waves). He led the first Climate Change study in Singapore (V1), where the first model of Storm Surges in South-East

Asia was developed, as well as first ever estimations of sea level rise and variability in Singapore region were accomplished.



**Ms Danielle Yeow** leads on climate change law and policy issues at the CIL and additionally works on international security, in particular on international law relating to cyberspace. She is also an Adjunct Associate Professor (MSc (Environmental Management) Programme) at the National University of Singapore where she teaches a course on Environmental and Sustainability Management – Law, Governance and Practice.