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Webinar Invitation The Public International Law Year in Review Closing Address

Tuesday, 10 November 2020
9:30 AM (London time) / 5:30 PM (Singapore time) / 8:30 PM (Sydney time)

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In the final webinar of this series, a distinguished panel will review key developments in public international law of the past year.

The topics that will be discussed include UN sanctions on Iran, decisions under the Genocide Convention and under UNCLOS, and negotiations on marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction (BBNJ). At the end of the webinar, **Professor Vaughan Lowe QC** will provide closing remarks on the webinar series.

AGENDA

London Time	Activity
9:30 AM	Start of event and introduction by moderators
9:32 AM	Sir Michael Wood – “ <i>The use by the US of “snapback sanctions” under UNSC Res 2231</i> ” Mr Rodman Bundy – “ <i>The Enrica Lexie Arbitration (Italy v. India)</i> ” Dr Emily Crawford – “ <i>The case concerning Application of the Convention on the Punishment and Protection of the Crime of Genocide (The Gambia v. Myanmar)</i> ” Dr Nilüfer Oral – “ <i>Ongoing negotiations for a legally binding agreement on the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction</i> ”
10:30 AM	Closing remarks by Professor Vaughan Lowe QC
10:40 AM	End of event

PANELLISTS



Sir Michael Wood
Barrister and arbitrator, 20 Essex

Sir Michael is a member of the United Nations (UN) International Law Commission. He was the principal Legal Adviser to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) between 1999 and 2006. During his 35 years as an FCO lawyer, Michael attended many international conferences, including the UN Conference on the Law of the Sea. He spent three years at the UK Mission to the UN in New York, dealing chiefly with Security Council matters.

Since leaving the FCO in 2006, Sir Michael has acted for many governments in cases before the International Court of Justice (ICJ), European Court of Human Rights (ECHR), International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and inter-state arbitral tribunals. He has written extensively on public international law.



Mr Rodman Bundy
Director, Dispute Resolution Group, Harry Elias Partnership LLP

Rodman Bundy has over thirty-five years of experience as counsel and advocate in high profile public international law litigations and international commercial and investment arbitrations, including appearances before the International Court of Justice, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal and various ad hoc, ICC and ICSID arbitral tribunals.

On the non-contentious side, Rodman has extensive experience advising international energy companies and national oil companies on upstream oil and gas matters, including production sharing and joint operating agreements, service agreements, domestic and international unitization and the risks associated with petroleum operations carried out in disputed offshore areas.

Clients include governments, multinational energy companies, construction companies and State-owned entities.

Rodman also lectures on international boundary disputes at King’s College, London and boundary workshops organized by the International Boundaries Research Unit, and is a frequent guest speaker at conferences and workshops on issues of public international law, upstream oil and gas operations and construction disputes. He is also the author of numerous articles on these kinds of issues.



Dr Emily Crawford
Associate Professor, The University of Sydney Law School

Emily Crawford teaches and researches in international law, international humanitarian law and international criminal law. She has published widely in the field of international humanitarian law, including two monographs (*The Treatment of Combatants and Insurgents under the Law of Armed Conflict* (OUP 2010) and *Identifying the Enemy: Civilian Participation in Hostilities* (OUP 2015)) and a textbook (*International Humanitarian Law* (with Alison Pert, 2nd edition, CUP 2020)), and is currently working on her third monograph, on the impact of non-binding instruments in international humanitarian law.

She is an associate of the Sydney Centre for International Law at the University of Sydney, and a co-editor of the *Journal of International Humanitarian Studies*.



Dr Nilüfer Oral
Director, Centre for International Law of the National University of Singapore
Senior Fellow, NUS Law

Dr Oral is an academic, seasoned negotiator and international law practitioner. She is Turkey’s member of the International Law Commission (ILC), Second Vice-Chair of the ILC, and Co-Chair of the ILC Study Group on Sea-Level Rise in relation to International Law. She served as a legal advisor to the Turkish Foreign Ministry on the law of the sea and climate change, and was a member of the Turkish delegation at the International Maritime Organization and in the climate change agreements from 2009 to 2016.

MODERATORS



Jackie McArthur
Barrister, Essex Court Chambers

Jackie McArthur is a barrister at Essex Court Chambers in London, practising mainly in public international law, investor-state arbitration, public and government law, and commercial litigation.

She has represented numerous States and individuals before international tribunals and courts, including the European Court of Human Rights and the International Civil Aviation Organisation’s Council, and has advised States and UK government departments on issues of public international law.

Before being called to the London Bar, Jackie studied at Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar, and was a judicial associate to the Hon Justice Kiefel, the Chief Justice of Australia.



Ryce Lee
Associate, Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP

Ryce Lee is an associate in the International Arbitration, Construction and Projects practice at Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP.

She has experience representing clients in international commercial arbitrations and litigation in a range of sectors including telecommunications, oil and gas, and construction. She has also advised on investment treaty arbitration claims under the ASEAN Comprehensive Investment Agreement and enforcement of ICSID awards in Singapore.

Prior to joining Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP, Ryce served as a Judicial Fellow to Judge Christopher Greenwood and Judge Nawaf Salam at the International Court of Justice.

CLOSING REMARKS



Professor Vaughan Lowe QC
Essex Court Chambers, and the University of Oxford

Vaughan Lowe is a practising Barrister at Essex Court Chambers, mainly in the field of international law, with cases in the International Court of Justice, the ECJ, the ECHR, the ITLOS, the Iran-US Claims Tribunal, ad hoc Arbitral Tribunals and courts in England and Hong Kong, among others. He has also sat as an arbitrator in many investment arbitrations under the auspices of ICSID, the Permanent Court of Arbitration and other bodies, and on the tribunals addressing the boundaries between Trinidad and Barbados, and between Croatia and Slovenia. He sat as an ad hoc judge on the European Court of Human Rights and is the UK-nominated judge on the European Nuclear Energy Tribunal. He is Emeritus Chichele Professor of Public International Law and an Emeritus Fellow of All Souls College in the University of Oxford.

Among his more notable cases as counsel are: in the ICJ, the *Antarctic Whaling* case (for Japan), the *Romania v Ukraine*, *Peru v Chile* and *Nicaragua v Colombia* maritime boundary cases (for Romania, Peru, Nicaragua), the *Palestinian Wall* case (for Palestine), the *Avena (Interpretation)* case (for the USA), the *Kosovo* case (for Cyprus), the *Timor-Leste v Australia* case concerning certain documents (for Timor-Leste), and the *Bolivia v Chile* case concerning the obligation to negotiate access to the Pacific Ocean (for Bolivia); in the ITLOS, the *Mox and Land Reclamation* cases (for Ireland, Singapore); the *Kishenganga* and *Southern Bluefin Tuna* (for Pakistan, Japan) cases in *ad hoc* tribunals; and *R v Jones and Milling* (UK) and *FG Hemisphere v Democratic Republic of the Congo* (Hong Kong). He advises extensively on international law matters, including questions concerning maritime boundaries and offshore petroleum concessions, the Law of the Sea, investment protection, State immunity, territorial title, the structuring and organization of dispute settlement procedures, peace settlements and various aspects of independence and statehood negotiations.

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