



**Universiteit  
Leiden**

Leiden University College  
The Hague

Legal Advisory Opinions Shaping Climate Action and Human Rights  
Annual Conference  
of the NNHRR Working Group on Human Rights & the Climate Crisis  
Leiden University College (LUC)  
(Anna van Buerenplein 301, The Hague, Netherlands)

Organized by Julie Fraser, Anneloes Kuiper, Otto Spijkers & Patricio Trincado Vera  
Enquires: Dr Otto Spijkers [o.spijkers@luc.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:o.spijkers@luc.leidenuniv.nl)

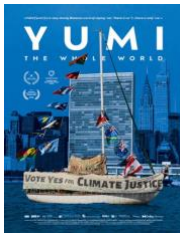
### Information and Registration Form

Registration closes 24 October

Please note that space is limited and that registration is subject to confirmation.  
Priority will be given to NNHRR members.

### **Programme**

[3 October 2025]

5 November		
When	Where	What
17.00-19.00	Auditorium  Anna van Buerenplein 301, The Hague	<p><u>Film screening</u> “<u>Yumi - The Whole World</u>”</p>  <p><b>Advance registration is required for non-LUC visitors.</b></p>

6 November		
When	Where	What
9.30-11.00	Auditorium	<p><u>Opening Plenary</u> Margaretha Wewerinke-Singh, Maria Antonia Tigre, and Fons Coomans</p>
11.00-11.20		Coffee break
11.20-13.00	Room 2.22	<p><u>Parallel session 1: Healthy environment</u> 1. Corina Heri, <i>Originalist Intent Versus Evolutive Interpretation: Interpreting Rights in The Age of Climate Change</i></p>

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Jed Odermatt, <i>Emerging Climate Norms and the Courts</i></li> <li>3. Irene Miano, <i>The Impact of The Proceedings of The Advisory Opinion on The Obligations of States in Respect of Climate Change on The Right to A Healthy Environment</i></li> <li>4. Luisa Netto and Otto Spijkers, <i>The Status of The Right to A Clean, Healthy and Sustainable Environment Under General Customary International Law</i></li> <li>5. Tracey R Kanhanga, <i>The Right to a Healthy Environment: Perspectives from International Climate Change Advisory Opinions</i></li> </ol>
11.20-13.00	Room 3.05	<p><u>Parallel session 2: Climate litigation: techniques and approaches</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Diana Odier-Contreras Garduno, <i>Strategic Use of International Advisory Opinions in Domestic and Regional Climate Litigation</i></li> <li>2. Hazhar Jamali, <i>Caution and Silence: The ICJ's Approach to Extraterritorial Human Rights Obligations in the Climate Context</i></li> <li>3. Olga Szkodzinska, <i>Criminal by Nature? Legal Advisory Opinions as an Answer to the Environmental Question in International Criminal Justice</i></li> <li>4. Estelle Valentine Irambona, <i>Business, Human Rights, and the Environment after the ICJ Advisory Opinion: An Analysis of European Corporate Due Diligence Frameworks</i></li> <li>5. Mosopefoluwa Akinrinmade, <i>Should Protection and Accountability Co-Exist? Bridging The Gap in the Evolving Doctrines of Non-Refoulement and Corporate Liability in Climate Change Law</i></li> </ol>
13.00-14.00		Lunch
14.00-15.40	Auditorium	<p><u>Parallel session 3: The Advisory Opinions in Context</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Crisela Bernardino, <i>Decolonizing International Law: Tensions between the Global South's Case for Climate Justice and the International Courts</i></li> <li>2. Juan Auz, <i>The Absence of Climate Coloniality in Advisory Opinions: Precluding Structural Reparations?</i></li> <li>3. Yasmine Rugarli, Zsófia Rába, and Leticia Rosar Mori, <i>Reimagining State Responsibility for Climate Justice through Indigenous Epistemologies</i></li> <li>4. Cristy Clark, <i>Climate Advisory Opinions and Posthumanism</i></li> <li>5. Valerio Sinaj, <i>A New Avenue for Climate Change Victims?</i></li> </ol>
14.00-15.40	Room 2.16	<u>Parallel session 4: Reparations and Future Generations</u>

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sally Thin, <i>Lost in Time? The Absence of Reparations for Historic GHG Emissions in Climate Advisory Opinions</i></li> <li>2. Maren Solmecke, <i>Balancing Accountability – The Principle of Common but Differentiated Responsibilities in Loss and Damage</i></li> <li>3. Jie Ouyang, <i>Of What I am Part: A Communitarian Reading of Intergenerational and Ecological Justice</i></li> <li>4. Prune Lladser, <i>Are the Absent Always Wronged? Future Generations as Rights Holders in the Advisory Opinions of the ICJ and the IACtHR</i></li> <li>5. Simon Waswa and Christina Eckes, <i>Future Generations and Democratic Accountability in Climate Litigation</i></li> </ol>
14.00-15.40	Room 3.09	<p><u>Parallel session 5: Cross-fertilization between opinions of Inter-American Court on Human Rights and International Court of Justice</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Isabela Bicalho, <i>Reinforcing Due Diligence: The Inter-American Court's Contribution to State Obligations in the Climate Emergency</i></li> <li>2. Manrique Naranjo Chavarria, <i>The Jus Cogens Obligation Not to Cause Irreversible Climate and Environmental Harm in the Inter-American Human Rights System: Implications for Deep-Sea Mining and the Duty to Cooperate for a Precautionary Moratorium</i></li> <li>3. Nguyen The Duc Tam and Tran Thi Kim Nguyen, <i>Daoist Ecology and the Jurisprudence of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (IACtHR) on Rights of Nature: Has Dao (道) Found Its Way to the Courtroom?</i></li> <li>4. Patricio Trincado Vera, 'Advisory Opinion OC-32/25 v. Contentious Case-Law: The paradoxical development of the Right to a Healthy Environment in the Inter-American Court of Human Rights' jurisprudence'</li> <li>5. Diego Ernesto Sanchez Borjas, <i>Advisory Opinions and United Nations Treaty Bodies (UNTB): Are UNTB Pronouncements Shaping the Interplay between Climate Change and Human Rights Obligations?</i></li> </ol>
15.40-16.00		Coffee break
16.00-17.00	Auditorium	<p><u>Closing Plenary</u></p> <p>Nico Schrijver, Julie Fraser, Anneloes Kuiper, Otto Spijkers &amp; Patricio Trincado Vera</p>
17.00-18.00	First floor open space	Drinks
18.00-	tbc	Conference dinner (only for invited persons)