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International Conference Sea level rise and its international law implications for legal certainty, stability and human rights

Friday, 9 June 2023

World Trade Institute,
University of Bern, Switzerland

AGENDA

To attend on site, please register
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13.30-14.00: Registration

14.00-14.15: Welcome Speech: **Elisa Fornalé**
Chair of the conference: **Davor Vidas**

14.15-15.45: **First Session: Sea Level Rise and the Rights
of Affected Populations**
Chair: **Andreas Ziegler** (ILA CH President)

Bruce Burson, Protecting the rights of affected persons: Whose obligation?

Jane McAdam, Displacement and migration in the context of sea level rise and the role of international law

Walter Kälin, Economic, social and cultural rights

15.45-16.15: Coffee-Break

16.15-18.00: **Second Session: The Law of the Sea and Territory**
Chair: **Ida Caracciolo** (Judge ITLOS)

Clive Schofield, A geoscientific and legal perspective on sea level rise

Davor Vidas, Legal certainty and stability in the context of sea level rise and the Law of the Sea Convention: a comment on recent trends in State practice

David Freestone, Lessons learned from the Pacific Island Forum approach to maritime entitlements

Giuseppe Nesi, The role of the Security Council to address risks and responses to peace and security resulting from sea-level rise

18.00-18.30: Concluding remarks **Patrícia Galvão Teles** (ILC)

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