

Balancing Investor Protections, the Environment, and Human Rights

This forum will evaluate international investment law (IIL) through a lens of sustainable development. Leading scholars will consider legal mechanisms available for addressing a tension inherent in foreign investment: its potential to promote economic development and raise standards of living, on the one hand, and its potential adverse impacts on the environment and local populations, on the other. Participants in the forum will evaluate options within IIL for balancing these competing interests and goals, as well as potential solutions external to IIL, including standards of corporate social responsibility and contractual devices.

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Friday, October 12, 2012

Lewis & Clark Law School
Portland, Oregon

SCHEDULE

Location:

Lewis & Clark Law School, Classroom 7, Wood Hall

8:30-9:00 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:30 a.m.

Welcome, Opening Remarks

9:30-10:45 a.m.

Session I: Features of the Current Investment Law Regime That Can Promote Balance

Moderator: Jennifer J. Johnson

Kenneth J. Vandeverde, *Rebalancing Through Exceptions*

Andrea K. Bjorklund, *The Role of Counterclaims in Rebalancing Investment Law*

10:45-11:00 a.m.

Morning Break

11:00-12:15 p.m.

Session II: Intersections between Human Rights and International Investment Law

Moderator: John Grant

Susan L. Karamanian, *The Place of Human Rights in Investor-State Arbitration*

George K. Foster, *Power Asymmetries in International Investment and the Stabilizing Potential of Investment Treaties*

12:15-1:30 p.m.

Lunch

1:30-2:45 p.m.

Session III: Reconceptualizing International Investment Law

Moderator: Chris Wold

Howard Mann, *The International Investment Regime and Sustainable Development: From Two Solitudes to Integration?*

Barnali Choudhury, *The System of International Investment Law as a Global Public Good*

2:45-3:00 p.m.

Afternoon Break

3:00-4:15 p.m.

Session IV: Corporate Social Responsibility Standards in the Extractive Industries: Their Nature, Importance, and Implications

Moderator: Amy Bushaw

Evaristus Oshionebo, *The OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises as Mechanisms for Sustainable Development of Natural Resources: Real Solutions or Window Dressing?*

Luke J. Danielson, *The Emerging International Framework for the Sustainable Development of Natural Resources and Its Implications for Investment Law*

4:15-5:30 p.m.

Closing of Conference, and Reception

REGISTRATION

Forum registration deadline is October 5, 2012.

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