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Keynote speaker: Professor Christina Voigt

Dr Christina Voigt is [Professor at the Department of Public and International Law](#), University of Oslo, Norway, and an expert in international environmental law. She also works at the Center of Excellence for the Study of the Legitimate Roles of the Global Judiciary – [Pluricourts - at the University of Oslo](#) where she coordinates the research on “International Law and Global Commons”.

She works in particular on legal issues of climate change, environmental multilateralism and sustainability. Professor Voigt is the author of “*Sustainable Development as a Principle of International Law*” (Brill, 2009), numerous academic articles and several edited volumes. Her forthcoming edited book is “*International Judicial Practice on the Environment – Questions of Legitimacy*” (CUP, 2019). Others include “*Courts and the Environment*” (with Z. Makuch, EEP, 2018), “*Research Handbook on REDD+ and International Law* (EEP, 2016), and “*Rule of Law for Nature*” (CUP, 2013). In 2009, she was awarded the first IUCN Academy of Environmental Law Junior Scholarship Prize for her academic work. In 2018, she co-drafted the UN Secretary General’s report on “[Gaps in International Environmental Law and environment related instrument](#)”.

Since 2008, she has been the principal legal advisor to the Norwegian Ministry of Climate and the Environment and negotiator in the UN climate negotiations (on legal aspects as well as REDD+). She participated in the negotiations of the 2015 Paris Agreement and its Rulebook, adopted in December 2018. In 2018, she was co-facilitator of the negotiations on the rules for Agreement’s compliance committee.

Professor Voigt is the chair of the Climate Change Specialist Group of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law and a member of the IUCN Climate Change Task Force.

She has two young sons to whom she dedicates her work.