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Environment Management Group Nexus Dialogue on Law for Environmental Sustainability

19 November 2018

13.00 – 18.00

International Environment House II, Geneva, Switzerland

13:00 – 13:15 **Registration**

13:15 – 14:10 **Session 1: The centrality of law for environmental sustainability**

Welcome remarks by Mr. Hossein Fadaei, Head of [Environment Management Group Secretariat](#)

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. [David Boyd](#), UN Special Rapporteur on human rights and the environment
- Mr. [Rolph Payet](#), Executive Secretary of [the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions](#)
- H.E. Tomaž Mencin, Ambassador for Human Rights, Deputy Permanent representative, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Slovenia to UNOG in Geneva
- Ms. Marie-Pierre Meganck, Counselor of Environment and Transport, Permanent Mission of the France to UNOG in Geneva

Setting the stage: purpose and expectations from the dialogue presented by Mr. Andy Raine, Head of International Law Unit, UN Environment Programme

14:10 - 15:20 **Session 2: Overview of gaps, challenges and best practices in collaboration**

Facilitator: Ms. Cristina Zucca, UN Environment Programme

Panellists:

- Mr. Yves Lador, [Earth Justice](#)
- Ms. [Eva Duer](#), InforMEA
- Ms. Maryna Yanush, [Aarhus Convention Secretariat, Environment Division, UNECE](#)
- Mr. Daniel Ramos, World Trade Organization

15:20 – 15:40 Coffee Break



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15:40 – 17:30 Session 3: Opportunities for further collaboration in implementing the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda

Facilitator: Ms. Johannah Bernstein, international environmental lawyer

Introductory remarks presented by Mr. [Daniel Magraw](#), CIEL

Panellists:

- Ms. Tahmina Karimova, ILO
- Ms. Sofie H. Flensburg, CITES
- Ms. [Nathalie Bernasconi-Osterwalder](#), IISD
- Ms. Mara Tignino, University of Geneva

Discussion by working groups (16:30 – 16:45)

Each group to identify areas of collaboration to strengthen respective agencies legal programmes in support of the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda

Reporting back and plenary discussion (16:45 – 17:30)

17:30 – 18:00 Summary of the Dialogue and next steps