

# 13<sup>TH</sup> INFORMAL ASEM SEMINAR ON HUMAN RIGHTS “HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE ENVIRONMENT”

21 - 23 October 2013  
Copenhagen, Denmark  
(Draft Programme as of 17<sup>th</sup> October 2013)

## Day 1 – Monday, 21 October 2013

Venue: Moltkes Palace

09:00 - 12:30 **Climate Change and Indigenous Peoples**  
(Side Event organised by the Danish Institute for Human Rights)

14:00 - 15:30 **Rapporteurs and Moderators’ meeting**  
(Invitation only to Rapporteurs and Moderators)

14:00 – 16:00 **Registration of participants**  
Venue: Foyer, Moltkes Palace

### Official Welcome Grand Hall

16:00 – 16:20 **Chair**  
**Karsten WARNECKE**, Deputy Executive Director, Asia-Europe Foundation

**Opening Speech on Behalf of the Host, Kingdom of Denmark**  
(10 min)  
**Ida AUKEN**, Minister of the Environment, Ministry of the Environment, Kingdom of Denmark

**Opening Speech on Behalf of the Organisers**  
(10 min)  
**Rosario MANALO**, Foreign Affairs Advisor, Department of Foreign Affairs, Republic of the Philippines

### Opening Plenary

16:20 – 17:05 **Chair**  
**Rolf RING**, Deputy Director, Raoul Wallenberg Institute

**Keynote Address**

**John KNOX** (15 min)  
UN Independent Expert on Human Rights and the Environment

**Parvez HASSAN** (15 min)  
Senior Partner, Hassan and Hassan; Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of Pakistan

**Poul ENGBERG-PEDERSEN** (15 min)  
Deputy Director General/Managing Director, International Union for Conservation of Nature

17:05 – 18:05 **Presentation of Background Paper by Main Rapporteurs** (20 min)

**Alan BOYLE**

*Professor of Public International Law, University of Edinburgh*

**Ben BOER**

*Professor, Research Institute of Environmental Law, Wuhan University & Emeritus Professor of Environmental Law, University of Sydney*

Open Plenary Discussion (40 min)

18:05 – 19:30

Welcome Dinner hosted by the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

*Welcome remarks by Uffe WOLFFHECHEL, Human Rights Ambassador, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

## Day 2 – Tuesday, 22 October 2013

Venue: Moltkes Palace

08:00 - 09:00

Registration of Participants (continued)

*Venue: Moltkes Palace*

### Simultaneous Working Groups

09:00 - 11:00

**Working Group 1: The Interaction between Sustainable Development, Environment and Human Rights**

*Chair: Ella ANTONIO (Earth Council Asia-Pacific)*

*Rapporteur: Alan BOYLE (University of Edinburgh)*

**Working Group 2: Access to Information, Participatory Rights and Access to Justice**

*Chair: Edward SANTOW (Public Interest Advocacy Centre)*

*Rapporteur: Ludwig KRAMER (The European Union Aarhus Centre)*

**Working Group 3: Actors, Institutions and Governance**

*Chair: Yves LADOR (Earth Justice)*

*Rapporteur: Ben BOER (Wuhan University; University of Sydney)*

**Working Group 4: Climate Change and Human Rights Implications**

*Chair: Magda STOCZKIEWICZ (Friends of Earth Europe)*

*Rapporteur: Sajid RAIHAN (Actionaid)*

11:00 - 11:15

Coffee Break

11:15 - 13:00

Workshops continued

13:00 - 14:00

**Lunch**

14:00 - 15:30

Workshops continued

15:30 - 16:00

Coffee Break

16:00 - 18:00

Workshops continued and Wrap-up

18:00 - 19:30

Working Group de-brief for Rapporteurs / Free Time for Participants

19:30 - 21:00 **Official Seminar Dinner**  
*Remarks by Charlotte FLINDT-PEDERSEN, Deputy Director, Danish Institute for Human Rights*

## Day 3 – Wednesday, 23 October 2013

Venue: Moltkes Palace

### Closing Plenary

*Venue: Grand Hall*

09:30 - 11:00 **Rapporteurs' Summary on Each Workshop**  
*Chair: Ligia NORONHA, Director (Resources, Regulation & Global Security) and Executive Director (Research Coordination), The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)*

**Working Group 1: The Interaction between Sustainable Development, Environment and Human Rights**

Presentation – Alan BOYLE (15 min)

**Working Group 2: Access to Information, Participatory Rights and Access to Justice**

Presentation – Ludwig KRAMER (15min)

**Working Group 3: Actors, Institutions and Governance**

Presentation – Ben BOER (15min)

**Working Group 4: Climate Change and Human Rights Implications**

Presentation - Sajid RAIHAN (15 min)

11.00 - 11.15 Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:00 Q&A Discussion (45 min)

12:00 - 13:30 **Speech by Villy SØVNDAL, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kingdom of Denmark**

Followed by a lunch reception hosted by the *Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kingdom of Denmark*

13:30 - 15:30 **Human Rights, the Environment and Private Actors**  
(Special Panel organised by the Danish Institute for Human Rights)

Panellists:

**Malin STAVLIND**, *Vice President Business Ethics & Social Responsibility, Vestas Wind Systems*

**Allan LERBERG JØRGENSEN**, *Head of Human Rights and Business Department, Danish Institute for Human Rights*

**Jacob FJALLAND**, *Manager, Mekong Programme and Low Carbon Development, WWF Denmark*

**Ulrika ÅKESSON**, *Deputy Head of Section, Senior Programme Manager (Environment and Climate Change), Embassy of Sweden, Thailand*

15:30 - 16:00 **Closing Plenary Continued: Concluding Remarks**

**Frédéric TIBERGHIE***N*, *Technical Coordinator & Representative of the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, France, & State Counsellor - Conseil d'Etat*

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17:00 – 19:00 Steering Committee Meeting (**only for Steering Committee Members**)

19:00 – 20:30 Steering Committee Dinner (**by Invitation only**)

## Day 4 – Thursday, 24 October 2013

09:00 – 12:00 Cultural Visit for Participants  
(**Optional**)

Noon Departure of Participants

09:30 – 11:00 Steering Committee  
Meeting  
(**by invitation only**)

09:00 – 14:00 OHCHR Consultation  
*Organised by the United Nations Office for  
Human Rights*  
(**by Invitation only**)