



**NUS**  
National University  
of Singapore

**CIL**

Centre for International Law  
[www.cil.nus.edu.sg](http://www.cil.nus.edu.sg)

**3 – 4 February 2016**  
**Concorde Hotel Singapore**

## **CIL Workshop Programme**

**Conservation and Sustainable Use of  
Marine Biological Diversity of Areas  
Beyond National Jurisdiction:  
Preparing for the PrepCom**

***Chatham House Rule Apply***

***By Invitation Only***

<b>DAY 1</b>	<b>3 FEBRUARY 2016, WEDNESDAY</b>
<b>0800 – 0900</b>	Registration of Participants and Coffee
<b>0900 – 0910</b>	<b>WELCOME ADDRESS BY PROF ROBERT BECKMAN, DIRECTOR, CIL</b>
<b>0910 - 0930</b>	<b>KEYNOTE BY PROF TOMMY KOH, CHAIRMAN, CIL BOARD OF GOVERNORS</b>
<b>0930 – 1000</b>	Tea Break & Group Photo
<b>1000 – 1130</b>	<p><b>SESSION 1 : BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT</b>  Overview of UNCLOS and the 1994 and 1995 Implementing Agreements; Overview of the BBNJ process at the UN and its main issues</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Prof Robert Beckman</b></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Capt J Ashley Roach, NUS CIL</b></li> <li>• <b>Judge Tomas Heidar, International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS), Law of the Sea Institute of Iceland</b></li> </ul>
<b>1130 – 1300</b>	Lunch
<b>1300 – 1500</b>	<p><b>SESSION 2 : CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF BBNJ</b>  Mandates of existing institutions and mechanisms for the conservation and sustainable use of BBNJ, including limitations of sectoral approaches and soft law instruments; Gaps and overlaps in the existing legal regime</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Elizabeth Kim, US State Department</b></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Edward Kleverlaan, International Maritime Organization (IMO)</b></li> <li>• <b>Michael Lodge, International Seabed Authority (ISA)</b></li> <li>• <b>Blaise Kuemlangan, Food &amp; Agriculture Organization (FAO)</b></li> <li>• <b>Prof David Freestone, George Washington University Law School, Sargasso Sea Commission</b></li> </ul>
<b>1500 – 1530</b>	Tea Break
<b>1530 – 1730</b>	<p><b>SESSION 3: MANAGEMENT TOOLS AND INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS</b>  Various types of protected areas, EIA standards, marine spatial planning, monitoring of impacts, baseline constitution; Need for a new coordinating institution or expansion of mandate of existing institution?</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Dr Gregory French, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia</b></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Edward Kleverlaan, International Maritime Organization (IMO)</b></li> <li>• <b>Michael Lodge, International Seabed Authority (ISA)</b></li> <li>• <b>Stefan Asmundsson, North East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC)</b></li> <li>• <b>Kristina Gjerde, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)</b></li> </ul>
<b>1730 – 1900</b>	<b>Welcome Evening Reception</b>

DAY 2	4 FEBRUARY 2016, THURSDAY
0800 – 0830	Arrival of Participants and Coffee
0830 – 1000	<p><b>SESSION 4: MARINE GENETIC RESOURCES (MGRs)</b>  Definitions of biodiversity, MGRs and bioprospecting; MGRs as Common Heritage of Mankind?</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Prof Ronan Long, NUI Galway</b></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr Sophie Arnaud-Haond, IFREMER / UMR MARBEC</b></li> <li>• <b>Fernanda Millicay, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Argentina</b></li> <li>• <b>Catherine Boucher, Oceans and Environmental Law, Global Affairs Canada</b></li> </ul>
1000 – 1030	Break
1030 – 1200	<p><b>SESSION 5: SESSION 5: MGRs: ACCESS AND BENEFIT SHARING</b>  Possible mechanisms to regulate bio-prospecting and exploitation of MGRs; access and sharing of benefits (relevance of mechanisms developed for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol including regulation of access, identification of benefits, publication of research, clearing house, biodiversity fund); Intellectual property issues relating to the patenting of MGRs; Role of existing institutions and instruments relating to MGRs, including WIPO (including the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore), TRIPS and the Budapest Treaty.</p> <p>Moderator: <b>A/P Burton Ong, Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law, National University of Singapore</b></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Prof Carlos Correa, University of Buenos Aires / South Centre</b></li> <li>• <b>Prof Marcel Jaspars, University of Aberdeen</b></li> <li>• <b>Dr Claudio Chiarolla, World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)</b></li> </ul>
1200 – 1300	Lunch
1300 – 1430	<p><b>SESSION 6 : CAPACITY BUILDING AND TRANSFER OF MARINE TECHNOLOGY</b>  To include discussions on UNCLOS Part XIII on Marine Scientific Research and Part XIV on Development and Transfer of Marine Technology; UNCLOS III Final Act Annex VI Resolution and generally provisions in Part XI and the 1994 Agreement; lessons learned from the ISA experience in building capacity and transferring marine technology</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mr Elie Jarmarche, Secretariat General of the Sea, Prime Minister's Services, France</b></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Alice Hicuburundi, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations</b></li> <li>• <b>Dr Elizabeth Brierley, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat</b></li> <li>• <b>Mrs Rena Lee, Attorney-General's Chambers, Singapore</b></li> </ul>
1430 – 1500	Tea Break

DAY 2	CONT'D
<b>1500 – 1630</b>	<p><b>SESSION 7: MANDATE AND WORK PROGRAMME OF THE PREPCOM</b></p> <p>UNGA Resolution A/RES/69/292 (including constraints); Mandates and rules of procedure of PrepCom; Identification of procedural issues that may not be addressed in the Resolution; Lessons learned from negotiating process of UNCLOS III and the 1994 and 1995 Implementing Agreements</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Judge Tomas Heidar</b></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ambassador Eden Charles, President of the PrepCom</b></li> <li>• <b>Alice Hiciburundi, Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS)</b></li> <li>• <b>Michael Lodge, International Seabed Authority (ISA)</b></li> </ul>
<b>1630 – 1700</b>	<b>NEXT STEPS AND CLOSING</b>
<b>1700</b>	<b>End of Workshop</b>

### *Optional Tour*

#### **SUNGEI BULOH WETLAND RESERVE EXCURSION (5 February 2016, Friday)**

The NUS Centre for International Law is pleased to organise a visit to Singapore's **Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve (SBWR)** after the Workshop for those who are staying longer. The excursion includes a talk on Singapore 'Cities Biodiversity Index' and a guided tour of the wetland. Transport will be provided for those who are following the programme below.

<b>5 FEB 2016, FRIDAY, 8.00AM – 11.00AM</b>	
8.00am – 8.30am	Bus Pickup from <b>RELC International Hotel &amp; Concorde Hotel</b> for transfer to <b>Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve Visitor Centre</b>
8.30am – 8.40am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrival at Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve Visitor Centre.</li> <li>• All to proceed to venue for a talk on Singapore's 'Cities Biodiversity Index'.</li> </ul>
8.40am - 9.10am	Talk on the Singapore ' <b>Cities Biodiversity Index</b> '
9.10am – 10.30am	Walking / Guided Tour
10.30am – 11.00am	Bus Pickup from <b>Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve Visitor Centre</b> for transfer back to <b>Concorde Hotel &amp; RELC International Hotel</b>

**What to prepare for the Excursion:** Umbrellas, Insect Repellents

**What to wear:** T-Shirts, Long Pants, preferably Covered Shoes

**More information about Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve:** <https://www.nparks.gov.sg/sbwr>

**To register, please email with Ms Gerry Ng at [cilnwfg@nus.edu.sg](mailto:cilnwfg@nus.edu.sg)**