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## International Conference – Child/Youth-friendly Climate Justice: Progress and Opportunities

**Mon 30th September – Tues 1st October 2024**  
**School of Law, University College Cork**

### ONLINE programme

<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September</b>	
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13:10 – 14:30	<b>Lunch</b>
14:30 – 16:00	Session 3: Children and Climate Justice around the World
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10:30 – 11:00	<b>Break</b>
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12:30 – 13:45	<b>Lunch</b>
13:45 – 15:15	Session 7 – Children, Climate and Law/Governance
15:20 – 15:45	<b>Session 8 – Plenary: Closing – Live streaming</b>

### Monday 30th September

- 09:30 – 09:35**     **Introductions**  
 Ursula Kilkelly, Professor of Law, Vice President Global Engagement, University College Cork.
- 09:35 – 11:15**     **Session 1 - Plenary: Children/Youth and Environmental Rights: in their Own Words. Live streaming**  
 Chair – **Aoife Daly**, University College Cork.
- Keynote speaker 1 – **Ann Skelton**, Professor of Law, Leiden University/University of Pretoria, Chair of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child.
  - Words from *Youth Climate Justice project’s Youth Advisory Team*.
  - Keynote speaker 2 – **Sumaya Mohammed**, young climate activist.



- Keynote speaker 3 – **Karabo Ozah**, Director at the Centre for Child Law, University of Pretoria.

11:15 – 11:50 **Break**

11:50 – 13:10 **Session 2: Children’s Environmental Rights, and Planning/Spaces**

*Chair* – **Nicolás Brando**, University of Liverpool.

**Dulari Parmar**, Youth for Unity and Voluntary Action, ‘*Chalo, Basti Badlein\**: A Youth-Driven Climate Justice Action Plan’ \*Hindi phrase loosely translating into ‘Lets Transform our *Basti* (informal settlement)’.

**Solange Swiri Tumasang**, Kids for Kids Cameroon, ‘Children as Catalysts for Change: Empowering the Next Generation in Climate Justice Advocacy’.

**Muindi Paul Wambua**, University of Nairobi, ‘Afterlives of Wangari Maathai’s Green Belt Movement and Youth Climate Justice in Kenya’.

**Manjeri Subin Sunder Raj**, Expert Member of the Harmony with Nature Network, UN, ‘Fostering Children’s Rights through an Eco-centric Approach: The Indian Experience’.

13.15 – 14.30 **Lunch**

14:30 –16:00 **Session 3: Children and Climate Justice around the World**

*Chair* - **Aisling Parkes**, University College Cork.

**Pedro Hernando Maldonado Castañeda**, Universitat de Barcelona, ‘Unveiling Epistemic Rights: Children, Climate Justice, and Knowledge Equity in the Latin American Context’.

**Ralph Tafon**, Södertörn University, Sweden, ‘Taking Climate Justice to the Global South: Toward Transformative Youth Climate Justice in Africa’.

**Grace Arnot**, Deakin University, ‘Global Youth Engagement for Climate Justice: Opportunities for Public Health and Health Promotion’.

**Shashikala Gurpur**, Symbiosis Law School Pune and SCALSAR / Faculty of Law, Symbiosis International University, **Sujata Arya**, Symbiosis International University, **Manika Kamthan**, UPES Dehradun, ‘The Impact of Natural Disasters on Rights of Children: Perspectives from India’.

16:10 – 17:20 **Session 4 - Plenary: Human Rights Obligations and Child/Youth Climate Justice. Live streaming**

*Chair* – **Aoife Daly**, University College Cork.

Keynote speakers - **Ursula Kilkelly**, Professor of Law, Vice President Global Engagement, University College Cork; and **Bruce Adamson**, Fellow at the Cattanaich Trust.



## Tuesday 1st October

### 09:30 – 10:30 **Session 5 – Plenary: Defining Child/Youth Environmental Rights. *Live streaming***

Chair - **Elisa Morgera**, Professor of Global Environmental Law (Strathclyde University Law School) and UN Special Rapporteur on Climate Change and Human Rights.

Keynote Speakers: **Aoife Nolan**, Professor of Human Rights Law, University of Nottingham; and **Niamh Purcell**, young climate advocate.

### 10:30 – 11:00 **Break**

### 11:00 – 12:30 **Session 6: Children and the Effects of Climate Change**

*Chair* – **Luigi Lonardo**, University College Cork.

**Priyambada Seal**, Moray House School of Education and Sport at the University of Edinburgh, ‘The Impact of Climate Change on School Education: Perspectives and Voices of Adolescent *Adivasi* Girls in India’.

**Samrawit Getaneh**, African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, African Union, ‘Can Children’s Rights Norms Deliver Accountability for Climate Change Related Violations? A Perspective from Africa’.

**Shuma Talukdar**, Mahindra University, ‘Climate Change-Induced Child Marriage: a Threat to Girl Child Rights’.

**Jane Spiteri**, University of Malta, ‘Climate Anxiety in Early Childhood: A Scoping Review’.

### 12.30 – 13:45 **Lunch break**

### 13:45 – 15:15 **Session 7: Children, Climate and Law/Governance**

*Chair* – **Dina Lupin**, University of Southampton/University of Macquarie.

**Aparecida Stoeberl**, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Paraná, **Danielle Anne Cristiane**, Hertie School of Governance, ‘Climate Justice and Children’s Right to Participation’.

**Adesuwa Omozusi**, Forest Hill Legal Practice, Lagos, Nigeria, ‘The Nexus between the Climate Justice and Section 15 “the Right of a Child to Free, Compulsory and Universal Basic Education” of the Child Rights Act in Nigeria’.

**Carolina Garrido**, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro; **Mariana Mariani**, University of Glasgow, ‘Strategic Climate Litigation on the Rights of Child and Youth: a new Frontier for Climate Litigation in Brazil?’

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**Ornella Seigneury**, Aix Marseille University, ‘The Guardians of the Future: Children as New Advocates in the Public Trust, Contrasting the Absence of Litigation for Children in France’.

15:20 – 15:45

**Session 8 – Plenary: Closing. *Live streaming***

**Aoife Daly**, Professor of Law, University College Cork and **Helen Stalford**, Professor of Law, University of Liverpool.