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SUMMER SCHOOL:

Human Rights, the Environment and Economic Development

10th - 17th June, 2014

The Summer School on “**Human Rights, the Environment and Economic Development**” (from now on, *Summer School*) has been organized by the University of Palermo PhD Program on Human Rights, jointly with the European Academy of Legal Theory, Bruxelles, the renowned research centre in the field of Philosophy of Law, and in collaboration with the Ecole Doctorale de Sciences Juridiques et Politiques of the University of Paris Nanterre.

Introduction

Since the mid-twentieth century environmental concerns have gained centrality in national and international law and policy. As the detrimental impact of human action on the Earth increased, consciousness of the need to halt it increased as well and, though slowly and with many shortfalls, States have adopted national laws and signed international treaties aimed at the protection of the environment. The protection of endangered species, the conservation of non-renewable resources, the reduction of pollution, are some of the actions that are trying to influence economic development policies in the attempt to turn it into *sustainable* development policies.

However, only at the beginning of the 1990s the inextricable link existing between the protection of the environment and human rights has gained understanding. Dignity, freedom and equality, the core of the current debate on human rights, cannot be fully uphold in a world whose nature is depleted. Economic development cannot act as an instrument to improve human-wellbeing unless it

bends to policies that respect the environment and defend the needs of both present and future generations.

At the same time, the promotion of human rights, as the right to information and to political participation, and the right to access to traditional natural resources, is essential for an effective protection of the environment, because it makes politicians accountable for it, it makes it valuable for economic actors, and it allows peoples and citizens to act as conservationists.

Objectives

In order to nourish the understanding and consciousness of the interactions between environment, human rights and development, the 2014 Summer School proposes a full week of seminars on some of currently most debated issues. The seminars will draw on juridical, historical, philosophical, sociological and practical points of views, with the mentoring of scholars, activists, and experts.

Methodology

Each morning two seminars will be held. They will explore the same topic from different perspectives and disciplines, aiming at achieving an effective integration of methods and solutions. In order to encourage a proactive participation, in the afternoon the participants will be engaged in a workshop on the topic discussed in the morning, with the support of the suggested and provided bibliography.

Topics

The seminars will debate about different topics concerning the protection of the environment. In particular, the main topics will be: 1) philosophical and theological roots of environmentalism; 2) the evolution of environmental law; 3) rights to the environment and human rights; 4) animals' rights 5) environmental risk evaluation; 6) right to environmental participation and localization of public works; 7) reproductive rights and overpopulation control; 8) economic development and environment; 9) criminal law and protection of the environment; 10) foreign examples of environmental protection; 11) the protection of landscape; 12) theology and ecology.

Working Languages

Italian (ita), English (eng), and Spanish (spn).

Applications, Conditions of admissions and Certificate of attendance

As established by the Regolamento d'Ateneo of the University of Palermo, the Course is open to students holding a first or second level Master degree, PhD students, PhD, researchers with an

interest in the topic and able to orientate themselves in the subject matters of the courses. No more than 30 applications will be accepted, and at least 15 participants will be selected among applicants from other Italian or foreign Universities. Only in the case in which less than 15 people apply, more applications from the University of Palermo will be taken into consideration. The Summer Course will not be held if there will be less than 10 applications.

Every applicant shall fill in the form here attached, adding his/her CV. If a selection will be necessary (if more than 30 applications will be received) the scientific committee will redact a list and a reserve list. Students from the reserve list will be contacted in the case in which students admitted in the list withdraw.

An extra 10 seats will be added for applicants from Colombian, Peruvian and Brazilian universities.

General information and final certificate

The Summer School is composed of two different parts. In the first part, participants will have to study the reading material - theoretical and practical articles, court decisions, official reports - that will be provided through the website of the PhD program in “Human Rights: Evolution, Protection and Limits” at least two weeks before the beginning of the School. The second part will see the participants engaged in lectures by speakers from Italian and foreign universities and in discussions and questions&answer times based on the lectures and on the reading material.

The second part of the School will be held in Palermo, Italy, at the Dipartimento di scienze giuridiche, della società e dello sport – Sezione “Diritto e Società” –in Piazza Bologni 8. As the program shows, lectures will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Participants will have full access to the Law Faculty (Dipartimento di Scienze Giuridiche, della Società e dello Sport) Library.

Students who will attend at least 90% of the seminar hours will receive a certificate, corresponding to 6 ECTS, after passing a test.

Enrollment and fees

Attached to this call (on-line from the 14th of April 2014) a model of the application form can be found (this is in English, but application forms can be filled out also in French, Italian or Spanish).

This should be sent (and received by 23rd of May 2014), jointly with a CV, a copy of the degrees obtained, a copy of a national ID, and a copy of the payment of registration fees, to the following address:

Dipartimento Studi su Politica, Diritto e Società, P.zza Bologni, 8 – 90134 Palermo, Italy (also write down on the outside of the envelop: “DIRITTI UMANI, AMBIENTE E SVILUPPO ECONOMICO”).

The payment of registration fees of € 250,00 includes the inscription to the School, the reading material, the final certificate, and the insurance cover.

The registration fees shall be paid to the Università di Palermo bank account

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More information about the payment of pre-inscription fees and registration fees (in particular the payment procedure) will be found on these websites:

<http://portale.unipa.it/dipartimenti/dipartimentoscienzeigiuridichedellasocietaed>

<http://www.unipa.it/dottoratodirittiumani/>

The graduates of the Colombian universities that participate in the cultural and scientific cooperation started on June 24th 2013 with the Italian embassy to Bogotá, they are exempted by the registration fees.

Housing and meals

Participants not residing in Palermo can rent a room at the **ERSU Palermo – Ente Regionale per il Diritto allo Studio Universitario**, with very cheap rates. All participants will have access to University **canteens** (with very cheap rates). For further information, please contact the Summer Course secretary, Mr. Rosario Castiglione (rosario.castiglione@unipa.it)

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Further information will be available on:

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DIRECTOR

(Prof. Nicola Gullo)

Summer School - “Human Rights, Environment and Economic Development”

Summer School Program

Tuesday, 10th June 2014

9.00 am

Official greetings

Summer School Presentation - Prof. N. **Gullo** and Prof. M. **Lavezzi** (Università di Palermo)

9.30 am

The Philosophical Roots of Environmentalism (ita) - Prof. F. **Viola** (Università di Palermo)

Public Uses and Common Goods in Ancient and Modern Law (ita) - Prof. E. **Conte** (Università di Roma Tre)

3.00 pm

Principles and Developments of Environmental Law (ita) - Prof. M. **Cecchetti** (Università di Sassari)

European Union Environmental Policy (spn) – Prof. J.F. **Alenza García** (Universidad Pública de Navarra)

Wednesday, 11th June 2014

9.00 am

Environmental Law and Human Rights (ita) - Prof. L. **Perfetti** (Università di Bari)

Animals' Rights: Current Trends and Issues (ita) - Prof. G. **Fiandaca** (Università di Palermo)

3.00 pm

Workshop

Thursday, 12th June 2014

9.00 am

Environmental Risk Evaluation: the Precautionary Principle (ita) - Prof. F. **Saitta** (Università di Catanzaro)

Rights to Environmental Participation and the Location of Public Works (ita) - Prof. G. **Corso** (Università di Roma Tre)

Environmental Taxation and Human Rights (ita) - Prof. C. **Lopez** (Universidad de Jaen)

3.00 pm

Reproductive Rights and Overpopulation Management (ita) - Prof. F. **Fracchia** (Università Bocconi di Milano)

From Overpopulation to Demographic Decline: Birth-control Policies, Reproductive Rights and Human Rights in Latin America (spn) – Dr. S. **De Zordo** (Universidad de Barcelona)

Friday, 13th June 2014

9.00 am

Criminal Protection of the Environment in International Law (eng) - Prof. Dr. L. **Schulz** (European Academy of Legal Theory)

Criminal Protection of the Environment in Italian Law (ita) – Dr. A. **Balsamo** (Tribunale di Caltanissetta)

The Protection of the Environment in Brasil (spn) – Prof. R. **Da Silveira** (Faculdades Integradas do Brasil - Unibrasil)

3.00 pm

Workshop

Monday, 16th June 2014

9.00 am

The Inalienable Right of Nature. Economy Facing Irreversibility (eng) - Prof. S. **D'Alessandro** (Università di Pisa)

International Trade and Environmental Law (eng) – M. **Wilkie** (Natural Justice - South Africa)

2.00 pm

The Protection of the Environment in Argentina (spn) – Prof. M. **Mabel Ivanega** (Universidad de Buenos Aires)

The Protection of the Environment and Traditional Indigenous Cultures: the Colombian example (spn) - Prof. G.A. **Rodriguez** (Universidad del Rosario)

Indigenous Peoples and the Environment (eng) – Att. L. **Jansen** (Natural Justice – South Africa)

Tuesday, 17th June 2014

9.00 am

The Evolution of the Idea of Landscape (ita) - Prof. M. **Immordino** (Università di Palermo)

The Coordination Between City and Landscape Planning (ita) - Prof. S. **Amorosino** (Università La Sapienza, Roma)

3.00 pm

Climate change and Environmental Justice (eng) – Prof. A. **Savaresi** (University of Edimburgh)

Evolution of Christian Environmental Theology (ita) - Prof. P.M. **Haffner** (Università Gregoriana)

APPLICATION FORM

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90144 PALERMO, Italy

I undersigned (First name) (Family name), born on (DD/MM/YY) , in (Town, State), resident in (Town, State) , having obtained (title of the degree)/ enrolled in the last year of a 1st/2nd level Master/PhD degree in (title of the master course)

Apply

To the SUMMER COURSE on “Human Rights, Environment, and Economic Development” which will be held in Palermo from 10th to the 17th of June 2014.

Documents attached:

curriculum vitae et studiorum;
copy of the degrees obtained or of the certificate of enrollment in the last year of a 1st/2nd level Master/PhD degree;
copy of a National ID;
copy of the payment amounting to euro 250,00

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