

Perspectives for Post-COVID 19 Recovery and Sustainable Development: A Law and Development Discourse – Call for Papers

In-person/Virtual Workshop

Event details:

Date: 15th (Thursday) September 2022

Time: 10:00 – 16:00

Cost: Free (Food included) – This event is graciously funded by the Society of Legal Scholars Small Projects and Events Fund

Location: Court Room, Mandela Building, Roehampton Law School, University of Roehampton London

Event Description:

The Workshop will consider the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic globally and the strategies for recovery. The periods of lockdowns and the challenges faced highlighted the need for the protection of specific people groups including LGBTI, the elderly, persons from minority communities and persons with disabilities. COVID-19 has placed undue pressure on healthcare services around the world and in the United Kingdom. There have been reports that the numbers of confirmed cases and deaths were vastly underestimated especially during the first and second waves of the pandemic. There were challenges with tests and tracing as well as with the enforcement of lockdown in some parts of the globe, especially in countries in the Global South where adequate relief was not provided for citizens who were being mandated to remain at home during the initial lockdowns in March to May 2020. The lockdown down in some parts of the world brought significant hardships with the closure of businesses such as restaurants and the ban on international travel.

With less than eight years to the 2030 target for the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, there is a need to play catch up given that the pandemic has set the entire globe backwards. The workshop aims to propose strategies for global recovery post-COVID-19 as the world works towards attaining Agenda 2030. The workshop will consider what role law and legal frameworks can play toward global recovery, especially in law and economic development, law and technology, law and the environment, Intellectual Property Law and human rights law. We intend to invite speakers from different global contexts that have

engaged in discussions in this area of law and practice. The focus will be to suggest proposals to policymakers on ways to approach the recovery process.

Papers are invited to discuss the sustainable development in relation to the following areas:

- Human rights
- Law and development
- Law and the environment
- Law and technology
- Law and intellectual property among others

Submission Details:

Abstract of no more than 250 words (excluding title) Should be submitted via email to augustine.arimoro@roehampton.ac.uk copying ezinne.igbokwe@ntu.ac.uk

The deadline for submissions is **August 5, 2022**, with speakers notified by **August 10, 2022**.

Papers should be presented in no more than 20 minutes.