A ONE-DAY IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

Theme: Perspectives for Post-COVID 19 Recovery & Sustainable Development: A Law & Development Discourse

Thursday 15th September 2022

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This is a free event, including lunch and refreshments. The event will be streamed via MS Teams. The link will be made available to participants who register for the event.

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This 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.

Key Speakers/Contributors will include:



Professor Oyeka Osuji

Onyeka K Osuji is a professor of law and the Head of the School (designate), School of Law, University of Essex. He is a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy and a member of the Editorial Advisory Board of the Social Responsibility Journal. He obtained a PhD in law from the University of Manchester (as a School of Law Scholar) and a BCL from the University of Oxford (as a Shell Centenary/FCO Chevening Scholar). He has an LLB from the University of Nigeria where he graduated as the Best

Student of the Faculty of Law. Professor Osuji is a qualified barrister and solicitor of Nigeria and a(nonpractising) solicitor of England and Wales. While he has made significant contributions to legal scholarship, the interdisciplinary nature of the subjects of Professor Osuji's research and publications shows a wider range of scholarly contributions. He has presented papers at several international conferences and has published extensively in books and reputable international journals in the areas of corporate governance, corporate social responsibility, globalisation, and regulation, among others.



Professor Jaap de Visser

Jaap de Visser is a professor of law at the University of the Western Cape's Faculty of Law. He is the Director of the Dullah Omar Institute. Professor de Visser has consulted for many national and international organisations, including the World Bank, UNHABITAT, USAID, Forum of Federations, GIZ, South Africa's Department of Cooperative Government, and the City of Cape Town, and many other local authorities in South Africa. He holds an LLB and an LLD from Utrecht University where he taught from 2002-2006 and an LLM from the University of the Western Cape. Professor de Visser is the co-author of Local Government Law of South Africa. His teaching, research and consulting focus on multilevel government, local government, good governance and federalism in Africa and he has published widely on these topics.

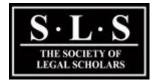


Professor David Ong

David Ong is a professor of international and environmental law at the Nottingham Law School, Nottingham Trent University. David's main role at the Nottingham Law School is to be a leader in research and teaching in the fields of Public International Law and Environmental law, focusing on the new LLM degree scheme in Oil, Gas and Mining law, as well as PhD supervision in all these fields. Prior to joining the Nottingham Law School, Professor Ong was a Lecturer (1995-2000), Senior Lecturer (2000-2002) and Reader (2002-2012) at the University of Essex Law School for 17 years. Before that he lectured at the University of Hull Law School for three years (1992-1995) where he received both his academic degrees: an LLB (Hons) and an LLM in International Law (with Distinction). Professor Ong has published his research in several leading outlets and is a leading scholar in international and environmental law.

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