Environment Management Group
Nexus Dialogue on Law for Environmental Sustainability
19 November 2018
13.00 – 18.00
International Environment House II, Geneva, Switzerland

13:00 – 13:15 Registration

13:15 – 14:10 Session 1: The centrality of law for environmental sustainability
Welcome remarks by Mr. Hossein Fadaei, Head of Environment Management Group Secretariat

Keynote speakers:
- Mr. David Boyd, UN Special Rapporteur on human rights and the environment
- Mr. Rolph Payet, Executive Secretary of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions
- H.E. Tomaz Mencin, Ambassador for Human Rights, Deputy Permanent representative, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Slovenia to UNOG in Geneva
- Ms. Marie-Pierre Meganck, Counselor of Environment and Transport, Permanent Mission of the France to UNOG in Geneva

Setting the stage: purpose and expectations from the dialogue presented by Mr. Andy Raine, Head of International Law Unit, UN Environment Programme

14:10 - 15:20 Session 2: Overview of gaps, challenges and best practices in collaboration
Facilitator: Ms. Cristina Zucca, UN Environment Programme

Panellists:
- Mr. Yves Lador, Earth Justice
- Ms. Eva Duer, InforMEA
- Ms. Maryna Yanush, Aarhus Convention Secretariat, Environment Division, UNECE
- Mr. Daniel Ramos, World Trade Organization

15:20 – 15:40 Coffee Break
15:40 – 17:30  
**Session 3: Opportunities for further collaboration in implementing the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda**

Facilitator: Ms. Johannah Bernstein, international environmental lawyer

Introductory remarks presented by Mr. Daniel Magraw, CIEL

Panellists:
- Ms. Tahmina Karimova, ILO
- Ms. Sofie H. Flensborg, CITES
- Ms. Nathalie Bernasconi-Osterwalder, IISD
- Ms. Mara Tignino, University of Geneva

Discussion by working groups (16:30 – 16:45)
Each group to identify areas of collaboration to strengthen respective agencies legal programmes in support of the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda

Reporting back and plenary discussion (16:45 – 17:30)

17:30 – 18:00  
**Summary of the Dialogue and next steps**