Second Annual
Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016
Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law
Arizona State University – Tempe, Arizona
Program on Law & Sustainability
Session 1
9:00 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.:
Panel: “Energy and Sustainability” (Rm. 105)
- Alexandra B. Klass, University of Minnesota Law School
  “Future Proofing Energy Transport Law”
- Bruce Huber, Notre Dame Law School
  “Checks, Balances, and Nuclear Waste”
- Lincoln L. Davies, University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law
  “State Renewable Portfolio Standards Twenty Years In – Where Are We Now?”
- Elizabeth J. Wilson, University of Minnesota Humphrey School of Public Affairs
  “Remaking Energy: The Critical Role of Energy Consumption Data”

Panel: “International Law, Sustainable Development, and Environmental Justice: The Intersections of Race, Poverty and Indigeneity” (Rm. 114)
- Sara Seck, Western University Law School, Ontario, Canada
  “International Law, Environmental Justice, and the Rights of Women and Girls in Mining”
- Sumudu Atapattu, University of Wisconsin Law School
  “Climate Justice and Vulnerable Groups: Synergies, Strategies and Challenges”
- Carmen G. Gonzalez, Seattle University School of Law
  “Environmental Racism, American Exceptionalism, and International Law”
- Elizabeth Kronk Warner, University of Kansas School of Law
  “Tribes and Environmental Justice: Domestic and International Law Dimensions”

Freestanding Presentations: Sustainability Policy Innovation (Rm. 118)
- Blake Hudson, Louisiana State University Law Center
  “Can Wood Pellet Markets Help Save Southern Forests?”
- Albert Lin, University of California-Davis School of Law
  “Distributed Innovation and Environmental Law”
- Roberta Mann, University of Oregon School of Law
  “Tax Fuel or Miles?”
- Lee Paddock, The George Washington University Law School
  “Private Sustainability Governance”

Session 2
10:30 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.:
Panel: “Good ‘Old’ Zoning and Climate Change: Help or Hindrance?” (Rm. 105)
- John R. Nolon, Land Use Law Center at Pace Law School
- Hari Osofsky, University of Minnesota Law School
  “The Local Role in Bridging the Clean Energy Access Gap”
- Hannah Wiseman, Florida State University College of Law
  “Disaggregating Preemption in Energy Law”
- Michael Allan Wolf, University of Florida Levin College of Law
  “Redeploying Euclidean Zoning Jurisprudence in the War against Climate Change”

Panel: “Sustainable Water Futures and the Adaptive Governance Project” (Rm. 114)
- Barbara Cosens, University of Idaho College of Law
  “A Legal Framework for Adaptation”
- Robin Kundis Craig, University of Utah College of Law
  “Balancing Stability and Flexibility”
- Tony Arnold, University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law
  “Adaptive Planning and Resilience”
- Melinda Harm Benson, University of New Mexico
  “Responding to the Resilience Critics”

Freestanding Presentations: Analyzing the Institutions, Law and Policy of Sustainability (Rm. 118)
- Lynda Collins, University of Ottawa Faculty of Law
  “Transformative Adjudication in the Anthropocene”
- Shi-Ling Hsu, Florida State University College of Law
  “Sustainable Capital”
- Tara Righetti, University of Wyoming College of Law
  “The Expanding Role of the Social Cost of Carbon in Energy Project Development”
- Alejandro Camacho, University of California-Irvine School of Law
  “NEPA, the ESA, and the Functional Tradeoffs of Inter-Agency Coordination”
Keynote Lunch Session
12:10 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.:

Lunch, Morrison Laureate Address & Keynote Address (Great Hall)


Keynote: Holly Doremus, James H. House and Hiram H. Hurd Professor of Environmental Regulation University of California-Berkeley School of Law
“Sustainability in Motion”

Session 3
1:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.:

Panel: “Regulatory ‘Hinges’ Affecting Certain Sustainable Power Technologies” (Rm. 105)
  • Gina Warren, Texas A&M University School of Law
    “Baseload Sustainable Power”
  • K.K. Duivivier, University of Denver Sturm College of Law
    “Intermittent Sustainable Power”
  • Steven Ferrey, Suffolk University Law School
    “The Critical Regulatory Role Melding Sustainable Power Sources”
  • Shelley Welton, Yale Law School & Quinnipiac University School of Law
    “Public Energy”

Panel: “The Law and Economics of Sustainability” (Rm. 114)
  • Daniel H. Cole, Indiana University Maurer School of Law
    “Accounting for Sustainable Development: An Update”
  • Jonathan R. Nash, Emory University School of Law
    “Transparency in Grandfathering”
  • Arden Rowell, University of Illinois College of Law
    “Behavioral Economic Challenges in Sustainability”
  • Josephine van Zeben, Oxford University Faculty of Law
    “A Triptych of Sustainable Development: the EU Member States, the European Union, and International Norms”

Panel: “Sustainability and Law Practice: The Hard Work” (Rm. 118)
  • Federico Cheever, University of Denver Sturm College of Law
    “Sustainability and the Federal Public Lands”
  • John Dernbach, Widener University Law School
    “Sustainable Development in Law Practice: What the Leaders Say”
  • Nancy McLaughlin, University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law
    “Conservation Easements: Contemporary Issues and Challenges”
  • Patience Crowder, University of Denver Sturm College of Law
    “Collective Impact: Private Contracts for the Public Good”

Session 4
3:00 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.:

Panel: “Natural Resource Damages” (Rm. 105)
  • Karen Bradshaw Schulz, ASU Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law
    “Settling for Natural Resource Damages”
  • Michael Livermore, University of Virginia School of Law
    “The Measurement of Subjective Value and Its Relation to Contingent Valuation and Environmental Public Goods”
  • Sanne Knudsen, University of Washington School of Law
    “The Long-Term Tort and Complications of Valuing Ecological Harms”
  • Peter Appel, University of Georgia School of Law
    “Sustainability Remedies”

Freestanding Presentations: Paradigms in Sustainability Law (Rm. 114)
  • Edward Rubin, Vanderbilt University Law School
    “Motivations of Climate Change Deniers”
  • Jill Fraley, Washington and Lee University School of Law
    “Surface Water Liability and Climate Change”
  • Rhett Larson, ASU Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law
    “Law in the Time of Cholera”
  • Jane Cohen, University of Texas School of Law
    “Forests and Climate: Re-Setting the Agenda After Paris”

Panel: “Food Law and Sustainability: A Tangled Web” (Rm. 118)
  • Andrea Freeman, University of Hawaii William S. Richardson School of Law
    “Food Policy, Sustainability, and Inequality”
  • Alexia Brunet Marks, University of Colorado Law School
    “Blending Food Safety and Sustainability Goals”
  • Melissa Mortazavi, University of Oklahoma College of Law
    “Food Policy and Sustainability: The Role of Litigation”
  • Steph Tai, University of Wisconsin School of Law
    “Agency Coordination and Food Sustainability Goals”

4:30 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.: Closing Remarks (Great Hall)
Dean Douglas Sylvester
Troy Rule

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.: Conference Reception (Rotunda)
Holly Doremus is the James H. House and Hiram H. Hurd Professor of Environmental Regulation at the University of California, Berkeley, Associate Dean for Faculty Development and Research, and Co-Faculty Director of the Center for Law, Energy, and the Environment. She serves on the Board of Directors of Defenders of Wildlife and on California’s Ocean Protection Council Science Advisory Team. She received her B.S. in biology from Trinity College (Hartford, CT), Ph.D. in plant physiology from Cornell University, and J.D. from the University of California, Berkeley. After law school, she clerked for Judge Diarmuid O'Scanlain of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and practiced law in Corvallis, Oregon. She began her teaching career at the University of California, Davis, moving to Berkeley in 2008. Doremus has written extensively about environmental and natural resources law; her research focuses particularly on biodiversity protection, the intersection between property rights and environmental regulation, and the interrelationship of environmental law and science.