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and use of Arctic energy resources

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Conference Program

September 25

08.30-08.50	Registration
08.50-09.10	Welcoming remarks: Trude Haugli, Dean of the Faculty of Law Opening Comments: Nigel Bankes, University of Tromsø and The University of Calgary
09.10-10.30	Session 1: Arctic energy: strategic and environmental issues Session 1A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Timo Koivurova, University of Lapland, "The role of law in regulating offshore oil and gas exploitation in the Arctic", <i>keynote address</i>. ▪ Ronan Long, National University of Ireland, Galway, "Energy Law and the EU" Discussion
10.30-10.50	Coffee Break
10.50-12.10	Session 1B <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Else Berit Eikeland, Member of the Arctic Council – Senior Arctic Official, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs – "Sustainable development in the Arctic. The Circumpolar cooperation in the Arctic Council", <i>keynote address</i>. ▪ Ingvild Jakobsen, KGJ Centre, University of Tromsø, "Opening new northern sea areas to petroleum exploration: the case of Norway" ▪ Sanna Elfving, University of Surrey, "Shaping the future of hydraulic fracturing in the Canadian Arctic through environmental guidelines" Discussion
12.10-13.35	Lunch
13.35-15.20	Session 2: Offshore oil and gas activities: compensation and liability issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Günther Handl, Tulane University School of Law and Kristoffer Svendsen, KGJ Centre, University of Tromsø, "Managing the Risk of Offshore Oil and Gas Activities: Key Issues regarding Compensation of Transboundary Pollution Damage" ▪ Seline Trevisanut, NILOS, University of Utrecht and Claudia Cinelli, KGJ Centre, University of Tromsø, "The safety of Arctic Offshore Oil and Gas Operations within the EU Regulatory Framework" ▪ Daria Shapovalova, University of Aberdeen, "The Reflection of International Law instruments in the National Legal Framework for Oil and Gas Exploitation on the Arctic Ocean" ▪ Jonas Heli, FMC Technologies, "Distribution of risks in oil and gas contracts – Experience from the Russian Market" Discussion
15.20-15.40	Coffee Break
15.40-16.30	Session 3: Governance issues and arctic energy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nengye Liu, Marie Curie Fellow, School of Law, University of Dundee, "The European Union and an Enhanced Governance of Offshore Oil and Gas Operations in the Changing Arctic" ▪ Valentina Gamero Diaz, Erin Fisher, Nicole Neufeld, Alberta School of Business, University of Alberta, "On Thin Ice: Sustainable Energy Development and Governmental Devolution in the Canadian Arctic" Discussion
	Conference Dinner

09.00-10.20	Session 4: Human rights and arctic energy developments Session 4A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rachael Johnstone, Faculty of Law, University of Akureyri “Human Rights Impact Assessments for Offshore Oil and Gas” Tanja Joona, University of Lapland, “Indigenous peoples right to natural and mineral resources – reflections from the ILO 169” Richard Caddell, Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law, Swansea University, “Environmental Protest, Maritime Security and the Arctic Energy Industries: Emerging Questions for the International Framework” Discussion
10.20-10.40	Coffee Break
10.40-12.00	Session 4B <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anita M. Halvorssen, University of Denver, College of Law, and Beate Sjøfjell, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo, “Stricter Legal Regulation of Environmental Protection and Promoting Human Rights to Minimize Fossil Fuel Development in the Arctic in a Time of Climate Change” Wouter Vandorpe, Field, Fisher, Waterhouse LLP, Brussels, “Liability for the implications of Climate Change for the Arctic” Raphael Heffron, University of Leeds, “Energy Justice in Arctic Energy Infrastructure Development”
12.00-13.15	Lunch
13.15-14.10	Session 5: Cooperative arrangements for energy developments in the Barents Sea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nigel Bankes, University of Tromsø and The University of Calgary, “Comparisons between the unitization provisions of the Norway – Russia Agreements in the Barents Sea and those of other framework unitization agreements” Tina Hunter, University of Queensland, “Harmonisation of Oil Spill Prevention and Response in the Barents Sea: Reality or Just a Pipe Dream?” Discussion
14.10-14.30	Coffee Break
14.30-15.50	Session 6: Investment and competition law issues affecting arctic energy developments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Catherine Banet, University of Oslo, Scandinavian Institute of Maritime Law, Petroleum and Energy Department, “Third-party access regimes to LNG terminals in the Arctic region: putting Arctic LNG terminals into competition?” Maria Madalena das Neves, KGJ Centre, University of Tromsø. “The protection of energy investments in two arctic territories, Svalbard and Greenland” Anatole Boute, University of Aberdeen, “Switching from Diesel to Renewable Energy in the Russian Far East: Legal Challenges and Opportunities” <i>Concluding key note speaker.</i> Discussion
15.50-16.15	Concluding Observations: Meinhard Doelle, University of Dalhousie Closing Remarks: Nigel Bankes

Registration

The conference has a registration fee of 1250 NOK which covers the costs of the conference dinner and two lunches. Reservation of accommodation, at conference rate, is available until 1 September.

Information about the hotel can be found here:

<https://www.nordicchoicehotels.no/clarion/clarion-hotel-the-edge/>

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The conference will take place in Auditorium 3 of the Faculty of Law, University of Tromsø .

Information about the University of Tromsø and the K.G. Jebsen Centre for the Law of the Sea can be found here: www.uit.no and www.uit.no/lawofthesea.

Information about Tromsø and travel can be found here: <http://www.visittromso.no/en/>.

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