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International Conference

Towards a European Law of Sustainability?

Centro Universitario di Bertinoro
Via Aldruda Frangipane, 4, 47032, Bertinoro (FC)
Monday 8th – Friday 12th September 2025

Monday, September 8, Plenary Hall

9.30-11.00

Institutional greetings – **Tindara Addabbo** (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Unimore, Italy)

Presentation of the conference – **Luigi Foffani** (Unimore, Italy)

Introduction – **Federica Raffone** (Unimore, Italy), **Luis Miguel Vioque Galiana** (University of Castilla-La Mancha, UCLM, Spain): *The current state of sustainability regulations. Current research areas and challenges with focus on criminal law*

11.00-13.00

Criminal compliance and human rights

(session in Spanish with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: Adriano Godoy Firmino (Public Prosecutor of the State of Goiás, Brazil)

Speakers:

Jacopo Dopico Gómez-Aller (University Carlos III° Madrid, Spain): *The laundering of the proceeds of corporate human rights violations. Prohibition and criminalization*

Marta Muñoz de Morales Romero (UCLM, Spain, online): *Criminal liability of multinational companies for human rights violations: an imminent reality?*

Francesco Rossi (University Carlos III° Madrid, Spain): *Sustainability, restrictive measures, and the entity's liability for violating them. The pros and cons of "ancillary criminal interventionism"*

Beatriz García Moreno (UCLM, Spain, online): *When geopolitics goes green: CFSP sanctions in the service of sustainability*

Replies and debate

Lunch Break (13.00-14.30)

14.30-18.00

Sustainable enterprise between compliance and transparency of information

(session in English and Spanish with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: Luigi Foffani

Speakers:

Eduardo Saad-Diniz (University of São Paulo, Brazil, online): *Sustainability, deforestation, and global warming in the Brazilian Amazon: crime and climate*

Raúl Calvo (Centro de Investigaciones Restaurativas of Buenos Aires, Argentina, online): *The restorative response for diligent companies*

Marina Caporale (Unimore, Italy): *Green and digital transition and data center economy*

Adriano Martufi (University of Pavia, Italy): *Sustainability and corporate restorative justice: new approach to the white-collar criminality in Europe?*



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Coffee Break (16.30 – 17.00)

Alberto Muñoz Arenas (UCLM, Spain, online): *An overview of the disclosure of information relating to sustainability based on European Directives*

Ana Belén Valverde Cano (University Complutense Madrid, Spain): *The falsification of information on sustainability: criminal relevance and the responsibility of verifiers*

Frieda Mainka (University of Marburg, Germany): *VCCs, the EUs Carbon Removals and Carbon Farming Certification Regulation*

Replies and debate

Tuesday, September 9, Plenary Hall

9.00-13.00

Sustainability and enterprise

(session in Italian with simultaneous transcription in English)

Presentation: Francesco Diamanti (Unimore, Italy, online)

Chair: Donato Castronuovo (University of Ferrara, Italy)

Speakers:

Stefano Senatore (Food lawyer): *Communicating sustainability. Rules on environmental claims and upcoming reforms*

Marcello Benetti (CNA Modena): *The challenges of sustainability facing small and medium-sized enterprises*

Francesco Lalli (Culligan Italiana S.p.A.): *ESG: grandi sfide per grandi imprese*

Cristiano Costantino Loddo (Associazione Industriali delle Carni e dei Salumi/Salumitalia – Consorzi Indicazione Geografica): *La sostenibilità nella prospettiva giuridica e operativa delle*



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imprese del settore carni e salumi. Focus sulle Indicazioni Geografiche

Andrea Marchesini Reggiani, Sandra Federici (Laboratorio di moda etica Cartiera): *Social, environmental, and economic sustainability in the management of a social enterprise: some observations*

Gaetano Forte (Food criminal lawyer): *Sustainability and criminal liability*

Samuel Bolis (Unimore, Italy): *Corporate liability and corporate compliance: the challenge of sustainability in the tax field*

Replies and debate

Lunch Break (13.00-14.30)

14.30-18.00

Criminal Law and Crimes Against the Environment: Ecocide, Climate, and the Rights of Nature

(session in English with simultaneous transcription)

Chair: Adán Nieto Martín (UCLM, Spain)

Keynote Speech:

Adriano Godoy Firmino (Public Prosecutor of the State of Goiás, Brazil): *The Brazilian Public Prosecutor's Office's response to environmental crimes and our role in criminal prosecution*

Panel Speakers:

Máximo Florín Beltrán (UCLM, Spain): *Speculative projects embellished with greenwashing that pervert the concept of sustainability*

Maria José Pifarré de Moner (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona-UAB, Spain): *Sustainability and environmental protection in the new EU Criminal Law Directive*

Marco Colacurci (University of Campania Vanvitelli, Italy, online): *Corporate crime for ecocide*

Coffee Break (16.15 – 16.45)



Riccardo Battistoni (University of Eastern Piemonte, Italy): *Conflicting frameworks of environmental criminal protection: the environmental 'disasters' in the Italian Criminal Code*

Niccolò Baldelli (University of Milan-Bicocca, Italy): *Preventing Corporate Environmental Crime: From EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence to Sustainability Reporting within the Compliance Model under Italy's Legislative Decree 231/2001*

Finn-Lauritz Schmidt (University Goethe of Frankfurt, Germany): *Rights of Nature – Criminal Law Implications in theory and Practice*

Replies and debate

Wednesday, September 10, Plenary Hall

9.30-12.30

Due diligence in business: regulatory approaches and sectoral challenges
(session in English, Spanish and Italian with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: John Vervaele (University of Utrecht, Netherlands)

Speakers:

Inma Valeije Álvarez (University of Santiago, Spain): *Illegal fishing and due diligence in companies in the fishing sector*

Barbara Palli (University of Lorraine, France): *Due diligence with regard to fundamental social rights: French objections underpinned by the omnibus reform*

Raquel Montaner Fernández (Pompeu Fabra Barcellona, Spain): *Environmental diligence in corporate groups*

Ana Isabel Pérez Cepeda (University of Salamanca, Spain): *Corporate due diligence and criminal sanctions: challenges for a new legal paradigm*

Replies and debate

Lunch Break (12.30 - 13.30)



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13.30-15.30

Roundtable “Sustainability as a Principle of European Law”

(session in Italian with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: Luigi Foffani

Speakers:

John Vervaele (University of Utrecht, Netherlands)

Alessandro Bernardi (University of Ferrara, Italy)

Lorenzo Picotti (University of Verona, Italy)

Trip to Ravenna with tour of the mosaics and dinner (from 16.00 to 22.30)

Thursday, September 11, Plenary Hall

9.30-11.30

Sustainability and Business Law: different angles

(session in English with simultaneous transcription)

Chair: **Federico M. Mucciarelli** (Unimore, Italy)

Speakers:

Alessio Bartolacelli (Unimore, Italy): *Sustainability policies between public and business law*

Florian Möslein (University of Marburg, Germany, online): *Between mission and market: relevance, types, and regulation of certification schemes for social and sustainable enterprises*

Virginijus Bitė (Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania): *Direct claims of shareholders and third parties against directors. Lithuanian approach*

Alessandro V. Guccione (Unimore, Italy): *The EU sustainable finance framework: its functions in the context of the European financial markets legislation*

Replies and debate



11.30-13.30

Facing the Dilemma: Criminal Law in the Age of Climate Change
(session in Italian and German with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: Maria José Pifarré de Moner (UAB, Spain)

Speakers:

Carlo Ruga Riva (University of Milan-Bicocca, Italy): *Is environmental criminal law sustainable? From Greta to the grate*

Katharina Beckemper (University of Leipzig, Germany): *Ecocide - do we need a separate crime?*

Judit Jacsó (University of Wien), **Dóra Szikszai** (University of Miskolc, Hungary): *Traces of climate criminal law in Hungary*

Ellen Gijsselaar (University of Leiden, Netherlands): *Green Light, Red Lines: When Permits Are No Longer Enough*

Replies and debate

Lunch Break (13.30-14.30)

14.30-18.30

Sustainability, value chain and labor exploitation
(session in Italian with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: Francesca Curi (University of Bologna, Italy)

Keynote Speech: Paolo Storari (Public Prosecutor's Office of Milan, Italy)

Discussant:

Andrea Merlo (University of Palermo, Italy)

Ludovico Bin (Unimore, Italy)



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Coffee Break (16.30-16.45)

Interventi programmati

Annalisa Lucifora (University of Catania, Italy, online)

Beatriz López Lorca (UCLM, Spain)

Replies and debate

Friday, September 12, Plenary Hall

9.00-12.00

Corporate Accountability and Sustainability: Legal Frameworks, Compliance, and Global Perspectives

(session in Italian with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: Giulio De Simone (University of Salento, Italy)

Speakers:

Rossella Sabia (University Luiss Guido Carli, Italy): *“Sustainability laws” versus “corporate criminal liability”. Paradigms of responsibility, compliance measures, and enforcement architecture in a comparative framework*

Marco Mossa Verre (University Luiss Guido Carli, Italy): *The “Terra dei Fuochi” decree and the revolution in criminal waste regulations. Awaiting implementation of the new European directive on environmental crimes*

Emanuele Birritteri (University Unitelma Sapienza of Rome, Italy): *Economic and business measures to prevent organized crime and control supply chains*

Giuseppe Di Vetta (University Sant’Anna of Pisa, Italy): *Transnational perspectives on sustainability criminal law: projection into global value chains*

Replies and debate

12.00-13.00

Sustainability, artificial intelligence and justice

(session in Spanish with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: Adán Nieto Martín (UCLM, Spain)

Speakers:

Luis Miguel Vioque Galiana (UCLM, Spain), **Gonzalo Jimenez** (UCLM, Spain):

Application of Generative AI to Compliance Auditing in Sustainability

Adriano Godoy Firmino (Public Prosecutor of the State of Goiás, Brazil): *Experiences of the Goiás Prosecutor's Office in the Use of AI*

Ana Maria Rodriguez Tirado (University of Cádiz, Spain): *Criminal investigation, technological evidence, and AI in proceedings against legal persons for exploitation crimes*

Replies and debate

Lunch Break (13.00-14.30)

14.30-16.30

Sustainability, vulnerability and gender perspectives

(session in Italian with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: Maria José Pifarré de Moner (UAB, Spain)

Speakers:

Valeria Torre (University of Foggia, Italy): *Physiology of gender discrimination and sustainability*

Silvia Tordini Cagli (University of Bologna, Italy): *Workplace disorders and gender discrimination*

Federica Palmirotta (Unimore, Italy, online): *Social sustainability in labour law: measures for active inclusion and the promotion of gender equality in the workplace*

Katia Poneti (Jura Gentium e Centro Documentazione CRID, Unimore, Italy, online): *Gender perspectives and vulnerability to climate change in light of international jurisprudence*



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Interventi programmati

Raffaele K. Salinari (Coordinamento Italiano NGO Internazionali): *La fame come strumento biopolitico: il caso di Gaza e del Sud Sudan. Raffaele K. Salinari Portavoce CINI*
Replies and debate

Coffee Break (16:30-16:45)

16.45-18.00

European sustainability law

(session in English and Spanish with simultaneous transcription in English)

Chair: Luigi Foffani (Unimore, Italy)

Speakers:

Christoph Burchard (University Goethe of Frankfurt, Germany): *Planetary Crime*

Adán Nieto Martín (UCLM, Spain): *Criminal law of sustainability: an initial mapping*

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