

Global Ecological Integrity Group
CONFERENCE PROGRAMME -- FINAL (as on June 14, 2005)

***Global Ecological Integrity and the Sustainability
of Civilization: Hard and Soft Law Perspectives***

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June 29 through July 3, 2005
Organized by Professors Laura Westra and Colin Soskolne

Wednesday June 29th

18:30 - 21:00 Reception Buffet, Taverna S. Trovaso

Thursday June 30th

1st Plenary – Global Governance: Issues & Prospects – Part 1

Chair: Laura Westra (CAN)

- **09:00 Keynote Address: William E. Rees (CAN) “Sustainability with Equity: Are Human Nature and History on Side?”**
 - **09:45 Klaus Bosselmann (NZ) “Institutions for Global Ecological Governance”**
 - **10:15 Don Brown (USA) “The Rise of Right-Wing Think Tanks and the Elimination of Ethical Discourse”**
- 10:45–11:00 BREAK**

2nd Plenary – Global Governance: Issues & Prospects – Part 2

Chair: Colin Soskolne (CAN)

- **11:00 Brendan Mackey (AUS) “The Earth Charter, Civil Society and Global Governance”**
- **11:30 Laura Westra (CAN) “The Rights of the Future: Linking First Generation Rights to Ecojustice”**
- **12:00 Yemi Oke (NIGERIA/CAN) “Intergenerational Sustainability and Traditional Knowledge in Africa”**

12:30-13:45 LUNCH

3rd Plenary – Global Governance: Issues & Prospects – Part 3

Chair: Richard Westra (S. KOREA)

- 13:45 Prudence Taylor (NZ) “Why International Law Needs the Earth Charter”
- 14:15 Dire Tladi (S. AFRICA) “The Continuing Search for Ethical Content of Sustainable Development: the Case of the Savings Clause in the Biosafety Protocol”
- 14:45 Mary Richardson (CAN) “The Larger Context of Environmental Policy”

15:15–15:30 BREAK

4th Plenary – Global Governance and the Politics of Capitalism: Issues & Cases – Part 1

Chair: Don Brown (USA)

- 15:30 Richard Westra (S. KOREA) “What Economists Measure: Conceptual Slippage and Ecology as Externality”
- 16:00 Joseph Dellapenna (USA) “Markets, Ethics, and Law: What Can Each Contribute?”
- 16:30 Robert Goodland (USA) “Free Prior Consent as an Element of the Principle of Integrity”
- 17:00 Hassan El Menyawi (Costa Rica) “Think Locally, Act Globally: Compliance with Environmental Law”

17:30 DINNER - Free time on our own

Friday July 1st

5th Plenary – Public Health and Bioethics in Global Governance

Chair: Robert Goodland (USA)

- 09:00 Colin Soskolne (CAN) “Ecology, Epidemiology, Ethics and Law: Cornerstones of Public Health”
- 09:30 Maud Huynen and Pim Martens (THE NETHERLANDS) “The Links Between Globalisation, Basic Human Rights and Health”
- 10:00 Michael Hauskeller (UNITED KINGDOM) “An Aristotelian Account of Biointegrity”

10:30-11:00 BREAK

6th Plenary – Public Health, Bioethics and Science

Chair: Prudence Taylor

- 11:00 Giorgio Tamburlini (ITALY) “Uncertainties in assessing risks for the health of children and adolescents from environmental sources”

- 11:30 Nancy Olivieri (CAN) “Medicine, Morals, Money: Ethical Science in a Corporate Era”
- 12:00 Leda Nemer (ITALY) “WHO EURO Catalogue of Country Actions to Protect Children from Harmful Environmental Risk Factors”

12:30-14:00 LUNCH

7th Plenary – Public Health and Public Policy

Chair: Ariel Salleh (AUSTRALIA)

- 14:00 Doug Daigle (USA) “Restoring the Mississippi River Basin and Delta: Issues of Consistency, Integrity, and Sustainability”
- 14:30 Carmen Ionut (ROMANIA) “The Necessity of Integrated Approaches to Environmental Quality and Surveillance in Europe”
- 15:00 Roxana Laza and Valeria Laza (ROMANIA/SWITZERLAND) “Trafficking in Human Organs”

15:30-16:00 GENERAL DISCUSSION

16:10 Panoramic tour of Venice/Harbour for two hours by boat with English guide as Canada Day Celebration

18:30 DINNER ON OUR OWN

Saturday July 2nd

8th Plenary – Politics and Gender Issues

Chair: Antonella Roffi (ITALY)

- 09:00 Ariel Salleh (AUSTRALIA) “En/Gendering Ecopolitics”
- 09:30 Victoria Davion (USA) “Bioethics and Integrity”
- 10:00 Stephanie Gliege (COSTA RICA) “Leaking Through the Holes”

10:30-11:00 BREAK

9th Plenary – Global Governance and the Politics of Capitalism: Issues & Cases – Part 2

Chair: Michael Hauskeller (UNITED KINGDOM)

- 11:00 Ruana Rajepakse (SRI LANKA) “The Human Rights Dimension in the Management of Natural Resources”
- 11:30 Werner Scholtz (S. AFRICA) “Culling of Animals: Anthropocentric atrocity or sustainable approach?”
- 12:00 Emma Witbooi (S. AFRICA) “The Need for Increased Cooperation for Ecological Integrity and Socio-Economic Justice (West African Coast Issues)”

12:30-14:00 LUNCH

10th Plenary – Global Governance and the Politics of Capitalism: Issues and Cases in Europe and Developed Countries

Chair: Brendan Mackey (AUSTRALIA)

- **14:00 Mariana Vlad, Sorina Irimie, Ileana Mirestean, Ioan Bocsan, Viorica Pop and Cosmina Samoila (ROMANIA) “Pollution Caused by Household Waste: An Avoidable Aggression on Environmental Balance”**
- **14:30 Judith Meyer Schultz (USA) “Aquaculture: Integrating the Use of Past Practices for a Sustainable Future”**
- **15:00 Lech Ryszkowski and Andrzej Kedziora (POLAND) “Poor Recognition of Non-Commodity Outputs in Agriculture Hinders the Implementation of the Earth Charter”**
- **15:30 Brunetto Chiarelli (ITALY) “The Atlas Project and Its Global Bioethics Interest”**
- **16:00 Ileana Mirestean (ROMANIA) “Ecological Design for the Evaluation of Violence in Adolescents from Romania”**

16:30-17:15 CLOSING REMARKS (Colin Soskolne, William Rees and Laura Westra)

17:15 FREE TIME ON OUR OWN – DINNER ON OUR OWN

Sunday July 3rd

- **08:00-09:00 Meeting of available textbook co-editors & contributing authors**
- **09:00-10:00 IUCN – CEL Meeting**
- **10:00-11:00 Group Discussion of GMOs and Possible Strategies: Ariel Salleh and IUCN – CEL Group**

11:00-14:00 LUNCH – Free Time – Possible Mass at San Marco Cathedral on Piazza San Marco

Rapporteur: Brain Ladd (Canada), whose responsibility it will be to produce a first draft proceedings of the conference. To assist, please be prepared to provide him with a CD/diskette/hard copy of your PPT or other medium of presentation once in Venice.

POST-CONFERENCE OPTION: Cortina D'Ampezzo is a spectacular mountain resort town at 1,280m. From there one can take a myriad of exciting trails, more or less demanding, including riding gondolas half way or all the way to great, full service Italian restaurants for lunch, with sun terraces and the like, all above timber (over 2,200m). Villa Alpina, a 3-star family run pensione is suggested. Their prices are 60E single (double size room for one person), and 90E for two persons including a much better buffet breakfast than you find in Italy in general. Please contact Laura Westra for further details.