

## TRAINING ON THE USE OF HUMAN RIGHTS LAW TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT

22 September & 29 to 30 September

Istanbul

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Within the frame of its [U-LEAD Project](#) the [International Commission of Jurists](#) (ICJ) is conducting a series of trainings on the use of human rights law to protect the environment. With the support of [KAGED](#) the ICJ will organise a training in Istanbul in September 2022.

The training will include two parts: one **theoretical online session** and two **in person practical and interactive sessions**. The training will focus on the **use of international mechanisms to protect the environment** and on the **rights of participation, access to information and due process**. International and European experts will provide theoretical lectures during the online session on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. During the in-person sessions on September 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, ample time will be dedicated to presentations of case-laws, discussions, and exchange of ideas: we encourage participants to share in advance cases they would want to present during the training. Training materials will be shared in advance of the training with selected participants. Simultaneous interpretation to and from English and Turkish will be provided during the training.

This training is open to **lawyers dealing with environmental cases**. Should you be interested in joining this training, [please register here](#). Note that the number of available spots is limited: as such, we encourage you to register as soon as possible and kindly request that, should you need to cancel your participation, you do so in advance to ensure that other participants might join in your place.

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**Session 1. Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> – Online Webinar**

**Turkish time: 14h45 to 18h | CEST: 13h45 to 17h**

- 14h45 – 15h00.* [Introduction to the training](#)  
Welcome and introduction by **Roisin Pillay** – ICJ Europe and Central Asia Programme Director
- 15h00 – 16h00.* [Presentation 1. International Environmental Law and International Human Rights Law](#)  
Differences, similarities and compatibilities – how to use international human rights law to implement IEL standards  
**Natalia Kobylarz** – ECtHR Registry Lawyer  
**Massimo Frigo** – ICJ Senior Legal Advisor
- 16h00 – 16h15.* Coffee-break
- 16h15 – 18h00.* [Presentation 2. Rights and procedures to protect the environment](#)  
Rights of due process and fair trial, effective remedy, Aarhus and Eespo procedural rights (right to receive information, right to participation in decision making, right to access justice, environmental impact assessments)  
**Roisin Pillay** – ICJ Europe and Central Asia Programme Director  
**Kerem Altiparmak** – ICJ Legal Consultant

**Session 2. Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> – in person in Istanbul**

**Turkish time: 14h00 to 18h00**

- 13h45 – 14h15.* [Registrations](#)
- 14h15 – 14h30.* [Welcome](#) and introduction by **Roisin Pillay** – ICJ Europe and Central Asia Programme Director
- 14h30 – 15h30.* [Case-law 1. Exemplary cases of human rights and environment](#)  
Urgenda, Shell, Kliimaverseniorinnen, Giudizio Universale, Greenpeace Norway, Duarte, Chiara Sacchi, or other cases suggested by the speaker  
**Gizem Koc** – Lawyer Environment and Energy at [Client Earth](#)
- 15h30 – 16h00.* [Coffee-break](#)



16h00 – 18h00. **Debate 1. Human rights mechanisms and strategies with ensuring discussion**

**Roisin Pillay** – ICJ Europe and Central Asia Programme Director  
Debate moderated by **Deniz Bayram** – Lawyer

19h00. **Networking dinner**

**Session 3. Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> – in person in Istanbul**

**Turkish time: 9h30 to 16h00**

9h30 – 11h00. **Case-law 2. International cases and procedural hurdles**  
Standing, exhaustion of domestic remedies, jurisdiction  
**Roisin Pillay** – ICJ Europe and Central Asia Programme Director

11h00 – 11h30. **Coffee-break**

11h30 – 13h00. **Debate 2. Guided discussion**  
Based on national examples brought by the participants and drawn from the project baseline report *The state of access to justice to protect human rights and environment in Turkey* available in [English](#) and in [Turkish](#)  
Presentation of 4 to 5 national cases through international law angle by **Roisin Pillay** – ICJ Europe and Central Asia Programme Director  
Division of participants into 4 into 5 working groups

Moderated by **Kerem Altiparmak** – ICJ Legal Consultant & **Deniz Bayram** – Lawyer

13h00 – 14h30. **Lunchbreak**

14h30 – 15h30. **Debate 2 (continued). Guided discussion**  
Group presentation of cases and debate.  
Moderated by **Kerem Altiparmak** – ICJ Legal Consultant & **Deniz Bayram** – Lawyer

15h30 – 16h00. **Wrap-up and closure of the training**

