

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

22 September & 1 to 2 October

Trabzon

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 Trabzon 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 22nd. During the in-person sessions on October 1st and 2nd, 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.



Session 1. Thursday, September 22nd – Online Webinar

Turkish time: 15h00 to 18h15 | CEST: 14h00 to 17h15

- 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. Saturday, October 1st – in person in Trabzon

Turkish time: 11h00 to 18h00

- 10h45 – 11h15.** [Registrations](#)
- 11h15 – 11h30.** [Welcome](#) and introduction by **Roisin Pillay** – ICJ Europe and Central Asia Programme Director
- 11h30 – 12h30.** [Case-law 1. Exemplary cases of human rights and environment](#)
Urgenda, Shell, Klimaverseniorinnen, Giudizio Universale, Greenpeace Norway, Duarte, Chiara Sacchi, or other cases suggested by the speaker
Gizem Koc – Lawyer Environment and Energy at [Client Earth](#)



12h30 – 14h00.

Lunchbreak

14h00 – 16h00.

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

16h00 – 16h30.

Coffee-break

16h30 – 18h00.

Case-law 2. International cases and procedural hurdles

Standing, exhaustion of domestic remedies, jurisdiction

Roisin Pillay – ICJ Europe and Central Asia Programme Director

19h00.

Networking dinner

Session 3. Sunday, October 2nd – in person in Trabzon

Turkish time: 10h00 to 13h00

10h00 – 12h30.

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 by the participants

Division of participants into 4 to 5 working groups

Moderated by **Kerem Altıparmak** – ICJ Legal Consultant & **Ozan Karagöz** – Trabzon Bar Association

12h30 – 13h00.

Wrap-up and closure of the training