The European Union and the Arctic
29-30 May 2015, Dalhousie Building, University of Dundee, Dundee, Scotland, United Kingdom
DAY 1: May 29 2015

8:00 – 9:00 Registration
9:00 – 9:50 Opening Session
Chair: Dr. Nengye Liu, University of Dundee, UK
9:00 – 9:10 Welcoming remarks: Prof. Alan Page, Dean, School of Law, University of Dundee, UK
9:10 – 9:50 Keynote speech: Diana Wallis, President, European Law Institute, former Vice-President of the European Parliament

9:50 – 11:40 The EU’s Future Arctic Policy (I)
Chair: Prof. Anthony Lang, University of St Andrews, UK
Prof. Frithjof Küepper, University of Aberdeen, UK
The Changing Arctic - Scientific Background and a Case Study of Marine Vegetation in Northern Baffin Island
Dr. Jaime Reynolds, DG Environment, European Commission
The EU’s Arctic Policy – Progress and Next Steps
Prof. Timo Koivurova and Adam Stepien, University of Lapland, Finland
The EU and the Changing Arctic: Obvious and the Not-so-obvious Interlinks
Daniel Simons, Greenpeace International
The EU’s Role in Promoting Governance of the Arctic – an NGO Perspective

11:40 – 12:00 Coffee break

12:00 – 13:00 The EU and Arctic Fisheries and Mammals
Chair: Prof. Andrea Ross, University of Dundee, UK
Dr. Nengye Liu, University of Dundee, UK
The Brussels Effect and Arctic Fisheries
Dr. Martin Hennig, University of Tromsø, Norway and Dr. Richard Caddell, University of Utrecht, Netherlands
On Thin Ice? Arctic Communities, the EU and the Sustainable Use of Marine Mammals

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break
14:00 – 15:20 EU Institutions and the Arctic
Chair: Prof. Elisa Morgera, University of Edinburgh, UK
Dr. Michał Łuszczuk, Assistant Professor, Jan Kochanowski Univeristy in Kielce, Poland
Troublemaker or Icebreaker? The Role of the European Parliament in the Development of European Union Policy towards the Arctic Region
Dr. Mary Durfee, Associate Professor, Michigan Technological University, U.S.
Where Will the Arctic Live in the EU?
Prof. Alyson Bailes, University of Iceland, Iceland
The EU Crossing Arctic Frontiers: the Northern Dimension, Barents Euro-Arctic Council, and EU-West Nordic Relations

15:20 – 15:40 Coffee Break

15:40 – 16:40 The EU and Arctic Shipping
Chair: Dr. Nengye Liu, University of Dundee, UK
Marten Koopmans, European Maritime Safety Agency Representative to the International Maritime Organization
The IMO and the EU: Recent Developments in Policy and Law on Arctic Shipping
Dr. Andrew Serdy, Reader, University of Southampton, UK
Transboundary Pollution from Offshore Oil Production Installations: an EU Role in Avoiding Inaction

17:30 – 19:00 Welcome Reception, RRS Discovery, hosted by School of Law, University of Dundee
DAY 2: May 30 2015

9:00 – 10:20 The EU’s Future Arctic Policy (II)
Chair: Prof. Robin Churchill, University of Dundee, UK
Prof. Kristin Bartenstein, Université Laval, Canada
The Future EU Arctic Policy: How to Avoid Political and Legal Pitfalls
Prof. Henning Jessen, University of Hamburg, Germany
Developing Joint Approaches and Best Practices in the Arctic – The Role of the EU in Addressing Common Arctic Challenges
Dr. Claudia Cinelli, University of Tromsø, Norway
EU Arctic Policy and Corporate Ocean Responsibility

10:20 – 10:40 Coffee break

10:40 – 13:00 The EU and the Arctic Region
Chair: Prof. Ted McDorman, University of Victoria, Canada
Prof. Suzanne Lalonde, Université de Montréal, Canada and Prof. Whitney Lackenbauer, St. Jerome’s University, Canada
Convergence and Discordance: Searching for Common Ground in Evolving Canadian and EU Arctic Strategies
Prof. Joseph DiMento, University of California, Irvine, U.S.
Environmental Governance of the Arctic: Law, Effect, Now Implementation
Prof. Robin Warner, University of Wollongong, Australia
Intersecting Regimes: Potential Interactions between the EIA and Area Based Management Elements of an International Instrument to Conserve Marine Biodiversity in ABNJ and Arctic Policy Directions
Prof. Mar Campins Eritja, Universitat de Barcelona, Spain
Strengthening the EU - Greenland Relationship for an Enhanced Governance of the Arctic, with Special Consideration to the Inuit’s Rights Concerning Hydrocarbons and Mineral Operations
Dr. Beverley Gibs, Dr. Mary Hilson and Dr. Adrian Jones, University College London, UK
Governing the ‘Gold Rush’: Multiple Stakes in Greenland’s Mineral Development

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break
14:00 – 15:50 The EU and Arctic Energy
Chair: Prof. Tore Henriksen, University of Tromsø, Norway
Dr. Raphael Heffron, Lecturer, University of Leeds, UK and Dr. Darren McCauley, University of St Andrews, UK
Energy Development in the Arctic through Energy Justice
Dr. Anatole Boute, Associate Professor, Chinese University of Hong Kong, China and Daria Shapovalova, University of Aberdeen, UK
The EU’s Moral Responsibility: the Possibility of EU Import Ban of Arctic Oil
Dr. Tina Hunter, Reader, University of Aberdeen, UK
Are Existing EU Measure Enough to Save the Arctic from the Effects of Petroleum Activities?
Dr. Fiammetta Borgia, Lecturer, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”, Italy
European Union Arctic Policies in Energy Sector: a Mirage in the High Dunes

15:50 – 16:10 Coffee break

16:10 – 17:30 The EU and the Arctic Council
Chair: Dr. Jacques Hartman, University of Dundee, UK
Kári Fannar Lárusson, CAFF, Arctic Council
Arctic Biodiversity and Global Connections
Helga Haflidadottir, University of St Andrews, UK
Enhancing European Union’s Role in the Arctic Council
Dr. Zhen Sun, National University of Singapore, Singapore
The Interests and Potential Roles of Observers in the Arctic Council – In the Context of Marine Environmental Protection

17:30 – 17:50 Concluding remarks
Elizabeth Kirk, Senior Lecturer, University of Dundee, UK

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Elizabeth Kirk, Senior Lecturer, School of Law, University of Dundee
Robin Churchill, Professor of International Law, School of Law, University of Dundee
Tore Henriksen, Professor, Director of K.G.Jebsen Centre for the Law of the Sea, University of Tromsø
Speaker biographies

Keynote Speaker
Diana Wallis, Lawyer, Mediator and currently Senior Fellow at the Law School, University of Hull, United Kingdom. A former member of the Europe Parliament from 1999 – 2012 including serving as Vice President of the Parliament for the last 5 of those years. During much of her mandate an active member of the Standing Committee of Arctic Parliamentarians, of the Arctic Council and responsible for promoting an EU Arctic policy within the European Parliament and other European institutions. As rapporteur for the EU Directive on Seal Products, Diana attempted to ameliorate that instrument in respect of its effects on Arctic peoples. She also pursued her interest in Arctic governance by editing a work proposing a re-examination of The Spitsbergen Treaty. Diana is also since September 2013 President of the European Law Institute a pan-European body comprising members from all branches of Europe’s legal community brought together with the aim of improving the quality of European law.

Speakers (in order of presentations)
Prof Frithjof C. Küpper, Chair in Marine Biodiversity at the University of Aberdeen (Oceanlab), United Kingdom, has previously held a readership (2009-2011) / lectureship (2003-2009) and the position of Head of the Culture Collection of Algae and Protozoa (CCAP) at the Scottish Association for Marine Science (SAMS) from 2003-2008. Over the past 24 years, Frithjof has studied the biodiversity, inorganic biochemistry, chemical ecology, and physiology of aquatic and marine plants/algae, especially in the context of biotic / abiotic stress and biogeochemical cycles (80 ISI-listed, peer-reviewed papers, h = 27; 5 book chapters) and in the polar and sub-polar regions of the world. His research interest in algal halogen metabolism, pathologies and defence reactions arose during his graduate studies for a joint French-German Ph.D. (1998-2001). Frithjof is also a certified scientific diver (AAUS in the USA and HSE Scuba IV in the UK) and has conducted diving-based expeditions throughout the world for biodiversity-related aspects of his research, including the Canadian Arctic, the Eastern Mediterranean (especially Greece and Cyprus), French Polynesia, Malaysia, California, Antarctica, Ascension Island and the Falkland Islands. Frithjof is fluent in English, Modern Greek, French, and German (native language).

Dr Jaime Reynolds has worked on international environmental policy for many years as a United Kingdom civil servant and since 2000 as a European Union official. He has coordinated for Directorate General Environment bilateral relations with Russia, the USA and Canada as well as work on Arctic and Northern issues. He is currently in the team preparing for the UN Summit on Sustainable Development and Poverty Eradication (New York Sep 2015). He studied at the London School of Economics where he gained a PhD in economics.

Prof Timo Koivurova is Research Professor at the Arctic Centre, University of Lapland, Finland. He has specialized in various aspects of international law, in particular in the Arctic. In 2002, Koivurova’s doctoral dissertation “Environmental impact assessment in the Arctic: a Study of International Legal Norms” was published by Ashgate. Increasingly, his research work addresses the interplay between different levels of environmental law, legal status of indigenous people, law of the sea (including the issues related to continental shelf law), integrated maritime policy in the EU and the function and role of the Arctic Council in view of its future challenges. He has been involved as an expert in several international processes globally and in the Arctic and serves in many Arctic institutions as a board member. Recently, he acted as a senior assessment expert in the Strategic Assessment of Development in the Arctic, a report that was done for the European Commission. Currently, he leads the polar law task-force of the IUCN. He is also the chair of the University of the Arctic’s Arctic Law Thematic Network and Co-editor-in-chief (together with Prof Gudmundur Alfredsson) of the Brill’s The Yearbook of Polar Law.
Mr Adam Stepien is a political scientist based at the Arctic Centre of the University of Lapland, Finland. His focus is Arctic governance and law, indigenous politics and governance, and development of the northern regions. Outside of the Arctic realm, he is interested in the global indigenous movement as well as the notion of shared identity in development cooperation partnerships. Adam took part in a number of research projects dedicated to the EU-Arctic nexus, such as the EU Arctic Footprint and Policy Assessment or the Strategic Assessment of Development of the Arctic. He teaches on Arctic Politics and Law at the University of Lapland.

Mr Daniel Simons is Legal Counsel at Greenpeace International. He advises on legal issues arising in the organisation’s Arctic, Oceans and Sustainable Agriculture campaigns. In 2013 he oversaw the legal defence of the ‘Arctic 30’, the crew of the vessel ‘Arctic Sunrise’ who were charged with piracy by Russian authorities in relation to a protest against oil production on the country’s Arctic continental shelf. Daniel holds an LL.M. degree from Columbia University and is a member of the Bar of New York.

Dr Martin Hennig is a Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Tromsø, Norway. Hennig’s main research interests focus upon EU internal market law and WTO law. In his postdoctoral project, Hennig examines the scope of application of EU and EEA-law to European maritime zones. Currently, Hennig is focusing upon the troublesome collision between EU law and WTO law, which has arisen in the wake of the adoption of the ban on the marketing of seal products in the EU.

Dr Richard Caddell is a Senior Research Associate and Nippon Foundation Senior Nereus Fellow at the Netherlands Institute for the Law of the Sea, Utrecht University, Netherlands. His primary research interests lie in the law of the sea, with a particular emphasis on fisheries governance, biodiversity conservation, marine environmental regulation and Polar law. He regularly acts as a legal advisor to national governments, inter-governmental bodies and NGOs on environmental and marine issues and is also a member of Francis Taylor Building, Inner Temple, London, the UK’s foremost Planning and Environmental Law set of barristers.

Dr Michał Łuszczuk is Assistant Professor in the International Relations Department at Maria Curie Sklodowska University in Lublin, Poland and the Postdoctoral Fellow in the Department of Northern Europe Countries at Jan Kochanowski University in Kielce, Poland. He is a member of the Committee on Polar Research of the Polish Academy of Sciences (2015-2018) and the Social & Human Working Group International Arctic Science Committee. Dr Łuszczuk has been involved as an expert in the work of the Polar Task Force in the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs since 2010. His interests cover the geopolitical roles of the Arctic and non-Arctic actors in the region, Arctic regionalism, development of the EU Arctic policy and the Polish Arctic policy.

Dr Mary Durfee is an Associate Professor of Government at the Michigan Technological University, United States. She took her Ph.D. from Cornell University, United States and has been an Anneberg Scholar and twice a Fulbright Scholar (Malta 2007-08; Hungary Fall 2014). She is co-author with James N. Rosenau, of Thinking Theory Thoroughly 2nd Ed. (2000) and has published in a number of journals, including Publius, International Studies Perspectives, and the Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences. She has contributed chapters to Heidi Hobbs (ed) Constituting Complexity and to LePrestre and Stout, Bilateral Ecopolitics. She was US Co-chair of the Lake Superior Binational Forum and was appointed to the US Environmental Protection Agency Science Advisory Board’s Homeland Security Advisory Committee. She is a past chair for the International Law section of the International Studies Association.
Prof Alyson JK Bailes is Adjunct Professor of Political Science at the University of Iceland and a Visiting Professor at the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium, specializing in security studies. She served as a British diplomat from 1999-2002, ending as Ambassador at Helsinki, but during that time also took sabbaticals at Chatham House and the New York-based East-West Institute. From 2002-7 she was Director of the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI). Alyson’s long-term research interests include European defence and security, arms control and disarmament. In recent years she has worked mainly on Arctic, Nordic and ‘small state’ issues. Recent publications include the Routledge book ‘Small States and International Security: Europe and beyond’, co-edited with Clive Archer and Anders Wivel and published in February 2014. Alyson is a regular lecturer at the NATO School and a member of several Boards and editorial committees, including the advisory board of the Scottish Global Forum. She divides her time between Iceland and a home in the Scottish Borders.

Mr Marten Koopmans graduated at the Technical University of Delft, Netherlands in 1983. He has been the head of the Dutch delegation at International Maritime Organization meetings for 10 years. He has represented Dutch administration for many years in various European maritime policy and R & D decision making bodies. Since 2006 he is the representative of the European Commission at the IMO, first employed by the European Commission and since 2012 by the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) which is based in Lisbon. He is based in London. For this position he attends all IMO meetings and coordinates the position of the EU Member States on (part of) many issues under consideration in IMO.

Dr Andrew Serdy, Reader in Public International Law at the University of Southampton, United Kingdom, is on the Board of Editors of Ocean Development and International Law. Briefly a solicitor with Freehill, Hollingdale & Page in Sydney, Andrew then served the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in several diplomatic positions before specialising in the law of the sea, including appearing in the preliminary objections phase of the Southern Bluefin Tuna arbitration, drafting much of the legal documentation for Australia’s 2004 submission to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, and involvement with the negotiation of the 2003 Sunrise-Troubadour unisation agreement with East Timor and the 2004 maritime boundary treaty with New Zealand. Since moving to Southampton in 2005 he has been an invited expert at workshops of the OECD High Seas Task Force and the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission, and a member of the UK delegation to the 2010 UK-Canada Colloquium on Arctic issues, also co-authoring reports to the European Parliament’s Fisheries Committee on the UN Fish Stocks Agreement and its Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety on a possible international agreement on marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction.

Prof Kristin Bartenstein is a Professor at the Faculty of Law of Université Laval in Quebec City, Canada, where she teaches domestic and international environmental law, the law of the sea and general public international law. She holds law degrees from Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (Munich, Germany) and Université de Paris II (Panthéon-Assas, Paris, France) and obtained her LL.D. from Université Laval. Her recent research has focused on legal problems related Arctic governance, including issues such as Arctic continental shelves, Arctic navigation, the Arctic Council and the role of non-Arctic States. In addition, her work has focused on the protection of the marine environment. Finally, she has studied the difficulty of achieving equity between States in multilateral environmental agreements, in particular within the law of climate change.
Prof Henning Jessen studied law in Kiel, Germany and Copenhagen, Denmark, between 1996 and 2002. He wrote his doctoral thesis in international economic law (WTO law, 2005) and obtained a Master of Laws degree (LL.M. in Admiralty and Maritime Law) from Tulane University, New Orleans, USA, in 2004. Between 2006 and 2008, he worked as a trade lawyer for the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) in Berlin. Between 2008 and 2012, he taught Transport Law and Maritime Law at the University of Applied Sciences in Bremen, Germany. In October 2012, he joined the University of Hamburg as an Associate Professor for Maritime Law, with a particular emphasis on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS). Henning Jessen’s particular research areas are maritime law (e.g. carriage of goods by sea, charter parties), comparative law, EU shipping law, various aspects of environmental regulation of shipping as well as all legal issues relating to offshore oil and gas operations.

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Prof Suzanne Lalonde is Professor of international law and the law of the sea at the Law Faculty of the University of Montreal and a research associate with the ArcticNet network of excellence in Canada. She holds a PhD in public international law from the University of Cambridge, King’s College obtained in 1997 under the supervision of Professor James Crawford. Her current research focuses on core international legal principles, especially those pertaining to sovereignty and the determination of boundaries on land and at sea, with a particular emphasis on the Arctic.

Prof Joseph DiMento is Professor of Law and Planning at the UC Irvine School of Law, United States. He has written or edited a dozen books, including most recently Environmental Governance of the Great Seas: Law and Effect (with Alexis Hickman) and Climate Change: What it Means for Us, Our Children and Our Grandchildren (co-edited with Pamela Doughman). He teaches courses on a wide variety of subjects, including domestic and international environmental law, public international law, administrative law and regulation, conflict resolution, and urban and regional planning. Professor DiMento served for 10 years as the director of UC Irvine’s Newkirk Center for Science and Society, the goal of which is to improve science’s response to community needs and to increase the effective uses of scientific results for the benefit of society.
Prof Robin Warner is a Professor at the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS), University of Wollongong, Australia. She was formerly the Assistant Secretary of the International Crime Branch in the Commonwealth Attorney General’s Department from 2002 to 2007 and Director of International Law for the Australian Defence Force from 1997 to 2001. Her research interests include law of the sea, ocean governance, marine environmental law, climate law and maritime regulation and enforcement. She is the author of *Protecting the Oceans Beyond National Jurisdiction: Strengthening the International Law Framework* (Martinus Nijhoff, Leiden, 2009), editor (with Simon Marsden) of *Transboundary Environmental Governance: Inland Coastal and Marine Perspectives* (Ashgate Publishers, Farnham, UK, 2012), editor (with Clive Schofield) of *Climate Change and the Oceans: Gauging the Legal and Policy Currents in the Asia Pacific* (Edward Elgar, UK, 2012) and editor (with Stuart Kaye) of the *Routledge Handbook of Maritime Regulation and Enforcement* (Routledge, UK, 2015) as well as many book chapters and journal articles on oceans law and policy.

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Prof Andrea Ross is Professor of Environmental Law at the University of Dundee, United Kingdom. She has taught and published widely in the area of planning and environmental law for over 20 years. She is the author of Sustainable Development Law in the UK from Rhetoric to Reality (Earthscan / Routledge) which, among other things, explores how law can be used to support best practice in implementing sustainable development. Professor Ross has held grants from the British Academy, ESRC, AHRC, and British Council and has contributed to inquiries in the UK and Scottish Parliaments as well as the Welsh Assembly. She is on the editorial board of the Environmental Law Review and is the academic member of the Law Society of Scotland’s planning law subcommittee.

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