

## ENVIRONMENTAL LAW - TA

Course Syllabus - 2024-2025

Erasmus Classes

Topic	Legal texts	Class activities
Introduction		
1. Environmental Law: origins and object	→Stockholm Declaration  →Rio Declaration  →TEU, TFEU, ECFR	Group and class discussion based on a list of questions on the object and nature of environmental law
<b>2.</b> Environmental Legal Principles	→Rio Declaration  →TEU, TFEU, ECFR  → Aarhus Convention	Group discussion and oral presentations based on legal texts and selected case-law (ICJ; ECtHR; CJEU)
3. International Environmental Law: sources and subjects	<ul> <li>→ UN Convention on Biological Diversity</li> <li>→ UN Framework Convention on Climate Changes</li> <li>→ United National Convention on the Law of the Sea &amp; BBNJ</li> <li>→ Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context</li> </ul>	Oral presentations on selected treaties.  Group discussion and oral presentations based on a list of questions concerning the role of NGOs, international corporation, epistemic communities, technical norms, and private standards in international environmental law and governance.



	→ Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal	
4.  Human rights and Environmental Protection: a right to a healthy environment; environmental dimensions of human rights	→International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights  →International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights  →European Convention on Human Rights  →American Convention on Human Rights  →African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights  →National constitutions	Group discussion and oral presentations based on selected case-law (ECtHR; IACHR; ACHR)  Comparative constitutional law: problem-based learning group activity with a hypothesis ( <i>Neubauer</i> case)
5.  Regulatory approaches to environmental protection	→Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on substantiation and communication of explicit environmental claims	Discussion on different regulatory approaches for environmental protection: command-and-control and incentive instruments; consumer-based and market-based instruments; information mechanisms.  Case study: greenwashing
<b>6.</b> Environmental Assessment	→Directive 2011/92 [EIA]  →Directive 92/43 [Habitats] (article 6)  →Directive 2001/42 [SEA]	Problem-solving
7. Green public procurement	→COM(2001) 274 final)  →COM (2008) 400 final  →Directive 2014/24 (selected provisions)  →Regulation 2024/1781 (article 65)	Case-law analysis (CJEU)



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International and European climate change law →Paris Agreement

→Regulation 2021/1119 [EU Climate Law]

→Directive 2003/87 [EU ETS]

 $\rightarrow$ National Climate Laws

Case-law analysis

(CJEU, ITLOS, UN HR Committees, national courts)

Research on national climate laws