

SPECIAL CALL FOR PAPERS



CCLR SPECIAL ISSUE

“Climate Law and Litigation: Mitigation, Adaptation, Human Rights and Tools for Climate Advocacy”

This special issue is presented in cooperation with the Research Center for Climate Law (ClimLaw: Graz) as an outcome of the ClimLaw: Graz Annual PhD Workshop on Climate Law and Litigation.

OVERVIEW

Climate change is an issue that affects the entire planet. Governments, organisations, and individuals have been working towards finding solutions to mitigate its effects. The topics covered in this special issue have been at the forefront of discussions regarding climate change. Through the enactment of various climate laws and the rapid growth in climate litigation cases worldwide, there has been unprecedented progress in climate protection. Climate related regulations and policies, put in place by governments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and combat climate change, introduce a new level of responsibility to both governments and corporations alike. Climate litigation, on the other hand, has held them accountable for their roles in contributing to climate change. Climate lawsuits have been effective in emphasising causal links between harm and those responsible. Mitigation and adaptation strategies have helped to identify those most responsible for climate related harm and damages and those who should be accountable for failing to adhere to climate goals. Governments and corporations have an ethical and moral duty to address climate change. Climate justice recognises this duty and further identifies that the impacts of climate change are not evenly distributed, with vulnerable populations and developing nations being disproportionately affected. This special issue of the Carbon & Climate Law Review (CCLR) aims to bring together academics, experts, and practitioners to examine climate law and litigation while deliberating key areas, such as mitigation, adaptation, human rights, and tools for climate advocacy.

CONTRIBUTIONS

The guest editors invite original paper proposals from academics and practitioners on innovative and though provoking insights and perspectives to climate law and litigation updates within the context of interrelated fields and disciplines. Both scholarly articles and country or policy reports are welcome.

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Topics may include, but are not limited to:

- The Role of International Climate Agreements in Shaping National Climate Policies
- Comparative Analysis of Climate Litigation Strategies in Developed vs. Developing Countries
- Legal Frameworks for Climate Mitigation: Successes and Challenges
- The Impact of Climate Legislation on Corporate Accountability and Governance
- Human Rights Implications of Climate Change: Legal Perspectives and Case Studies
- The Efficacy of Carbon Pricing Mechanisms in Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Legal and Ethical Considerations in Climate-Induced Migration and Displacement
- Strategies for Integrating Climate Adaptation into Urban Planning and Development
- The Role of Non-Governmental Organizations in Advancing Climate Justice and Advocacy
- Assessing the Effectiveness of Legal Tools in Enforcing Climate Goals and Compliance

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