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Call for Book Chapters

Climate-Conscious Legal Education: A Transformative Curriculum for a Warming World Published by Springer Nature (2025)

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About the Book

Climate-Conscious Legal Education: A Transformative Curriculum for a Warming World

This book is a response to the growing urgency of the climate crisis and its profound implications for the legal profession. It argues that climate change must not be confined to environmental law electives but embedded throughout the core curriculum of legal education. As the climate emergency affects all facets of governance, policy, and justice, future lawyers must be trained across disciplines to respond critically and competently.

The book advocates for a climate-conscious legal education, where students engage with climate law through foundational subjects like contract, tort, criminal, corporate, property, administrative, and international law. It calls for transformative pedagogical approaches—simulations, moot courts, legal clinics, and policy labs—to prepare students not only as legal professionals but as climate justice advocates.

With jurisdictional illustrations from India and the Netherlands, the book bridges insights from the Global South and North.

Divided into thematic sections, the book combines legal theory, comparative case law, and experiential learning tools. It offers a blueprint for educators, institutions, and policymakers seeking to **restructure legal education for a climate-resilient future**.

Publisher:

The book will be published by Springer Nature based on the existing publishing agreement.

SPRINGER NATURE All parties have completed signing the contract for the book project Climate-Conscious Legal Education.

Who Can Contribute

We invite contributions from:

- Legal academia and educators
- Doctoral and early-career researchers
- Other professional with keen interest in curriculum
- Co-Author up to 2 is permitted
- Exceptional cases student authors are considered as co-author with a faculty

Chapter Focus Areas

Authors may choose to contribute to one of the outlined chapters of the book, which will be **shared in advance** by the editor. Topics include:

- 1. Climate-Conscious Lawyering: From Theory to Practice
- 2. Contract Law and Climate Clauses
- 3. Tort Law and Corporate/State Responsibility (e.g. Urgenda, Sterlite)

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- 4. Corporate Law, ESG, and BRSR Compliance
- 5. Administrative Law and Climate Regulation
- 6. Property Law and Climate-Induced Displacement
- 7. Human Rights Law and Climate Justice (e.g. Right to Life, Climate Refugees)
- 8. Criminal Law and the Recognition of Ecocide
- 9. International Law and the Paris Agreement
- 10. International Trade Law and Climate Border Mechanisms
- 11. Curriculum Models for Climate-Conscious Legal Education
- 12. The Future of Law Schools and Climate Justice

Note: Authors may also propose new topics relevant to the theme. These must be explained clearly in the abstract, demonstrating alignment with the pedagogical and climate integration focus of the book.

Submission & Review Process

Step 1: Submission of Letter of Intent

Interested authors are requested to complete this form to express their interest.

The concept note will be shared with all registered participants, who will then be invited to submit an abstract based on the shared note.

Link at: https://forms.gle/JQqtf6wQgG94sQdu5

Last Date: 15th April 2025

This is ensure compliance and alignment to content of the book!

Step 2: Abstract Submission

Interested authors must first submit an **abstract (max 500 words)** based on the chapter outline provided by the editor. The abstract should:

- Indicate the **specific legal discipline** addressed
- Explain how climate change law will be integrated into the subject
- Highlight any **jurisdictional or regional focus** (India, Netherlands, Global South, etc.)
- Outline additional arguments, examples, classroom exercises, or case studies the author plans to contribute
- Mention key case laws, statutes, or institutional practices
- Include 4–5 keywords

This abstract functions as a mini concept note, designed to assess alignment with the book's structure and goals. The abstract must extend the provided outline by showcasing the author's original contribution—whether through practical methods (e.g. clinical models, moot courts, debates), comparative analysis, or curricular innovation.

Deadline for Abstracts: 30th April 2025

Submit via form: https://forms.gle/VzkhjgJjwrv9nw4FA

Step 3: Editorial Review of Abstract

All abstracts will undergo a preliminary editorial review to assess:

- Thematic fit with the book's objectives
- Jurisdictional relevance and originality
- Potential pedagogical contributions

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Accepted abstracts will move to the full chapter invitation stage.

Date of response on status: 20th May 2025

Confirmation from the writers to be received by 25th May 2025

Step 4: Full Chapter Submission

Authors whose abstracts are accepted will be invited to submit full chapters.

Chapter Requirements:

• Word Count: 8,000–10,000 words (excluding footnotes)

Citation Style: OSCOLAFormat: MS Word (.docx)

• Chapters must:

o Follow the **provided outline**

- o Add new insights, pedagogy, and practical content based on the abstract
- Include jurisdictional comparisons, legal reforms, or educational innovations
- o Contain **interactive classroom tools**, where relevant

Each chapter will undergo:

- 1. Editorial Review: for structure, coherence, and adherence to theme
- 2. Peer Review: for academic rigor, citation integrity, and originality

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Submission Mail: Juslaw@jusfocus.com

Subject Title: Submission – [your name] - Springer book on Climate Consious Legal

Education

Step 5: Final Submission and Publication

Once the paper is finalised, the author signs a contributor agreement with Springer Nature and the process will be duly communicated.

Timeline

Stage	Date
	(Tentative)
Abstract Submission Deadline	30th April 2025
Editorial Decision on Abstracts	20 th May 2025
Confirmation from authors	25 th May 2025
Full Chapter Submission	30 th July 2025
Editorial + Peer Review	September 2025
Feedback	(Tentative)
Final Chapter Submission	TBD
Publication by Springer Nature	TBD

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