

Law, Governance and Sustainability: Towards a European Law of Sustainability?

6-10 July 2026, Bertinoro (FC),
Centro Residenziale Universitario (CEUB)
Aldruda Frangipane, 4, 47032, Bertinoro (FC), Italy

Monday, 6

12:00 – 13:00

Registration and Welcome of Participants

Welcome Workshop, Introduction of Participants and Presentation of Research Areas

Main topics of the panels:

- **European Sustainability Policies and Regulatory Frameworks**
- **Corporate Governance, Compliance and Sustainability**
- **Environmental and Climate Protection**
- **Protection of Natural Resources and the Marine Environment**
- **Sustainable Value Chains and SMEs**
- **Gender Equality and Sustainability**
- **Sustainability and Criminal Law**
- **Twin Transition, Resilience & Energy Autonomy**

Partner Universities Participating in the BIP Programme

University of Leiden • University of Castilla-La Mancha (UCLM) • University of Santiago de Compostela • University of Cádiz • University of Wien • Polytechnic University of Coimbra • Autonomous University of Barcelona (UAB) • University of Gdańsk

1^o Session (16.00– 18.00)

Official Opening of the Activities – Luigi Foffani (UNIMORE), Federica Raffone (UNIMORE)

Lectures

18.00. Marta Bertolino (*University Cattolica of Milan, online*) – *Il controllo globale della criminalità fra gli obiettivi dello sviluppo sostenibile dell'Agenda 2030: una priorità da non trascurare*

19.00 onwards

Networking and Visit of the Historic Town Centre

Pre-Dinner speech and discussion among participants – Adán Nieto Martín (UCLM)
Dinner in the Bertinoro historic city centre

Tuesday, 7

Morning (10.00-13.00)

2º Session – *European Sustainability Policies and Regulatory Frameworks*

Panel I (10.00-11.30)

Roundtable: *Due Diligence, Human Rights and Corporate Accountability*

Ana Isabel Pérez Cepeda (*University of Salamanca*) – *Hacia un derecho penal de la sostenibilidad: la protección de los derechos humanos y laborales*

Luis Miguel Vioque Galiana (*UCLM*) – *The CSDDD Between Transformative Ambition and Regulatory Simplification: Sustainability and Compliance in Global Value Chains*

Miriam Ruiz Arias (*University of Salamanca*) – *Sustainability, environmental protection and human rights: What can we do to achieve enterprise enforcement?*

Discussion and Q&A

Panel II (12.00-13.00)

Roundtable: *Sustainability Disclosure, Communication, Green and Social Transition*

Joana Lobo de Mesquita Simões Pires Fernandes (*Polytechnic University of Coimbra*) – *Communicating sustainability: challenges and obstacles*

Paniz Baradaran Kazemian (*University of Turin, online*) – *Regulating the energy transition: easy to draft, hard to run. A case study on Lithium batteries*

Marco Maria Scoletta (*University of Milan “La Statale”*) – *Le pratiche di greenwashing “prese sul serio”: quale sanzione?*

Discussion and Q&A

Afternoon (15.00-17.30)

3º Session – *Global Sustainability, Social and Environmental Issues*

Roundtable

Marina Caporale (*UNIMORE*) – *Twin Transition and International, European and National Standards for Data Center Sustainability*

Maria José Pifarré (*UAB*) – *The Implementation of Directive (EU) 2024/1203 on Environmental Crime in Spain*

Maria Castro Corredoira (*University of Santiago*) – *Las inhabilitaciones administrativas en las Directivas Europeas de medio ambiente y corrupción*

Marcelo Antonio Castillo Monterrey (*UCLM*) – *The Role of European Union Law in the Consolidation of Animal Welfare as a New Paradigm in Criminal Law*

Inmaculada Alonso Carrillo, Elena Merino Madrid, Montserrat Núñez Chicharro y Alberto Muñoz Arenas (*UCLM, online*) – *Disclosure of sustainability information on decent work under the ESRS*

Discussion and Q&A

Wednesday, 8

Morning (9.00-10.15)

Keynote speech: Alessandro Bernardi (University of Ferrara) – Il principio di sostenibilità nel diritto europeo: fattore di armonizzazione o di rinazionalizzazione degli ordinamenti giuridici dei Paesi UE?

Discussant: Lorenzo Picotti (University of Verona)

4° Session – Food, EU Regulatory Developments and Sustainability (10.15-11.15)

Adriano Martufi (University of Pavia): *New Grounds of Criminal Liability for Legal Persons Arising from the Food Supply Chain in Light of the Implementation of Directive (EU) 2024/1203*

Federica Raffone (UNIMORE): *Sustainable Agri-Food Supply Chains: Corporate Responsibility, Due Diligence and Deforestation-Free Trade*

Roundtable – La recente riforma delle frodi agroalimentari: alcuni spunti di riflessione. **Adriano Martufi** (University of Pavia) – **Federica Raffone** (UNIMORE)

Intervento programmato di **Gaetano Forte** (Avvocato del Foro di Ferrara, online)

5° Session – Gender Equality and Sustainability (11.30-12.45)

Roundtable

Chair: Maria José Pifarré (UAB)

Participants:

Valeria Torre (University of Foggia, online) – *Sostenibilità e discriminazioni di genere*

Claudia Severi (UNIMORE, CRID, online) – *Parità di genere e sostenibilità sociale: il ruolo dell'educazione e delle linee di indirizzo*

María Acale Sánchez (University of Cádiz) – *Sostenibilidad, empresa y genero: hacia la prevención del acoso*

Silvia Tordini Cagli (University of Bologna) – *Diritto penale e discriminazioni sul lavoro. Dalle molestie alla violenza economica*

Federica Raffone (UNIMORE) – *Enforcement extrapenale e parità di genere: le nuove sfide del diritto europeo della sostenibilità*

Discussion and Q&A

6° Session – Protecting Communities' Ecosystems and Memories: A Due Diligence Pathway (12.45-13.40)

Giuseppe Di Vetta (Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa) – *The Promise of Due Diligence in Corporate (Criminal) Liability Law: Contextuality, Openness, and Reflexivity*

Niccolò Decorato (Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa, online) – *From negative prohibitions to positive duties: how corporate due diligence might prevent cultural heritage trafficking more than crimes against cultural heritage*

Federica Montanaro (Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa, online) – *Environment as target, tool, and terrain of violence: cases for (Heightened) Due Diligence*

Discussion and Q&A

Afternoon Session

7° Session – *Protection of Natural Resources and the Marine Environment (15.00-16.00)*

Alvaro Gil González (*University of Santiago*) – *Sustainable soil management: scientific foundations and regulatory challenges*

María Inma Valeije Álvarez (*University of Santiago*) – *Diligencia debida y criminalidad en el mar*

Maristella Amisano (*University of Calabria*) – *La tutela penale delle acque nel sistema italiano*

Discussion and Q&A

8° Session – *Sustainability and Changes in Criminal Law and Criminal Proceeding (16.00-17.30)*

Judit Jacsó (*Vienna University of Economics and Business, University of Miskolc*) – *Aktuelle Entwicklungen des Criminal Compliance und Nachhaltigkeit*

Ellen Gijsselaar (*Leiden University*) – *The Transformative Potential of the ECHR in Times of Climate Change*

Slawomir Steinborn (*University of Gdańsk*) – *Prosecution of Environmental Crimes*

Dawid Marko (*University of Gdańsk*) – *Can Criminal Proceedings (Afford Not to) Be Sustainable?*

Discussion and Q&A

Thursday, 9

Morning Session

9° Session – “STRIVE-MO” (“SusTainability Rules across International ValuE Chains: Impact on SMEs in Modena”, FAR 2025) Research Project Workshop (10.30-13.00)

Roundtable

Chair: Federico Maria Mucciarelli (UNIMORE); Luigi Foffani (UNIMORE);

Participants: Alessio Bartolacelli (UNIMORE); Alessandro Valerio Guccione (UNIMORE); Jorge Miquel Rodríguez (UAB); Laura Girella (UNIMORE, online); Ludovico Bin (UNIMORE); Lara Archivolti (UNIMORE); Rossella Sciolti (OIBR, online); Marco Petrassi (OIBR, online); Mario Casellato (OIBR, online); Joana Lobo de Mesquita Simões Pires Fernandes (Polytechnic University of Coimbra).

Afternoon Session

Guided Cultural Visit (*to be organised*)

Friday, 10

Scheduled presentations by Phd students and young scholars

Chair: Luigi Foffani

Edoardo Lorenzini (UNIMORE) – *Tutela della persona e sostenibilità dell'interpretazione. Il costo giuridico ed economico dei diritti.*

Closing Remarks and Key Takeaways – Mariamarta Caselli and Martina Greppi (UNIMORE-UNIPR)

Presential week closing speech – Luigi Foffani

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Link to join the event remotely:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/364869054375447?p=iLVsLsWaJCsYaC8uxe>

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