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# **20th International Wildlife Law Conference (IWLC-20)**

**April 1-2, 2020**

**Stetson University College of Law  
Gulfport, Florida**

# IWLC-20 Agenda

Wednesday, April 1

- 9:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks**  
Professor Royal Gardner, *Stetson University College of Law*
- 9:15 a.m. Opening Presentation**  
Professor Paul Boudreaux, *Stetson University College of Law*  
*Species . . . in Law*
- 9:45 a.m. The Edward and Bonnie Foreman Biodiversity Lecture**  
Dr. Arie Trouwborst, *Tilburg University, Tilburg Law School*  
Domestic Cats and International Wildlife Law – Turning a Blind Eye to One of the World’s Worst Invasive Alien Species?
- 10:30 a.m. Health Break**
- 10:45 a.m. Panel 1 – Fisheries and Marine Biodiversity**  
Dr. Richard Caddell, *Cardiff University*  
Where’s the Catch? Climate Change, Shifting Fish Stocks and the Challenges of Transboundary Management  
Dr. Peter Jacques, *University of Central Florida*  
The World Ocean Regime: Polluted Waters and Exhausted Fisheries  
Dr. Cameron Jefferies, *Faculty of Law, University of Alberta*  
Canada-United States Southern Resident Killer Whale Conservation: The Case for North America’s First Transboundary Marine Protected Area  
Professor Blaise-Pascal Ntirumenyerwa Mihigo, *Faculty of Law, University of Kinshasa*  
Transforming the Conservation of Aquatic Biodiversity in the Democratic Republic of Congo: The Case of the 1937 Decree on Fishing
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. Keynote Presentation**  
Dr. Mar Campins Eritja, *Universitat de Barcelona*  
ITLOS’ Judicial Interpretation of the Precautionary Principle Within the Framework of the UNCLOS
- 1:45 p.m. Panel 2 – Wildlife and Animal Welfare**  
Sarah Levy, *Osgoode Hall Law School*  
A Tale of Two Seal Hunts: Contesting the Conflation of Canadian Sealing Activities  
Sahana Ramdas, *Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University*  
Wildlife Categorised as “Vermin”  
Rachel Ollis, *Emory University School of Law*  
Curbing the Global Fin Trade: 2019 Laws Banning the Sale of Shark Fins  
Kate Welch, *Stetson University College of Law*  
Trafficked Animals: The Rough Road to Recovery and Rehabilitation in the United States
- 3:00 p.m. Health Break**





**3:15 p.m. Panel 3 – Challenges with Invasive Species and Other Wildlife**  
Professor Volker Mauerhofer, *Mid Sweden University*  
Challenges and Solutions for the National Implementation of a Supranational Environmental Regulation Against Invasive Alien Species  
Emily Preu, *Stetson University College of Law*  
Unexpected Harmony: How Indigenous People Are the Missing Link in Apex Predator Preservation

**4:30 p.m. Special Presentation**  
Prof. Dr. Tianbao Qin, *Research Institute of Environmental Law (RIEL), Wuhan University;*  
*Visiting Scholar, Duke University*  
China's Wildlife Law in the Context of Public Health: Problems and Proposals

**5:00 p.m. Keynote Presentation**  
Dr. Wil Burns, *American University*  
Climate Geoengineering and Its Potential Impact on Wildlife: Implications for Governance

**6:00 p.m. Adjourn**

#### Thursday, April 2

**9:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks**  
Professor Royal Gardner, *Stetson University College of Law*

**9:15 a.m. Keynote Presentation**  
Professor Linda Malone, *Marshall-Wythe School of Law at the College of William & Mary*  
Prosecuting Wildlife Trafficking and Destruction of Biodiversity Before the ICC as War Crimes

**10:00 a.m. Panel 4 – Legal and Ethical Issues Related to Trophy Hunting**  
Professor Honor Humphrey, *American Public University System*  
Trophy or Travesty: Granting Animals Legal Personhood in an Attempt to End Trophy Hunting  
Dr. Yann Prisner-Levyne, *Max Planck Foundation for International Peace and the Rule of Law*  
The Legality of Tiger Farming, Trophy Hunting and Can Hunting Under International Law  
Professor Myanna Dellinger, *University of South Dakota School of Law*  
Trophy Hunting, Public Policy & the Precautionary Principle of Law

**11:00 a.m. Panel 5 – Assessing Opportunities for Multilateral Environmental Agreements**  
Ruy Mello Filho, *Universidade Federal da Bahia*  
The International Court of Justice and the Continuum Between Interpretation and Consent to Be Bound: Reflections on International Environmental Law  
Brandon Sinnott, *Emory University School of Law*  
The Art of the Deal: A Bilateral Treaty for Biodiversity Preservation in the United States and Canada

**11:30 a.m. Concluding Presentation**  
Professor David Wirth, *Boston College Law School*  
Innovative Mechanisms in MEAs to Protect Wildlife

**12:00 p.m. Conclusion of Conference**



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