SYLLABUS

TRAINING SCHOOL ON CLIMATE JUSTICE:
HUMAN RIGHTS, RULE OF LAW AND GOOD GOVERNANCE
IN TIMES OF CLIMATE CHANGE

COST Action IS 1101 Climate Change and Migration: Knowledge, Law and Policy, and Theory aims to build a broad body of social science research concerning climate change and migration. The Action involves social scientists from a wide range of disciplines, including geography, political science, environmental history, law, and legal and policy studies. Twenty European countries are currently represented on the Action Management Committee. The Action provides funding for workshops, short-term scientific missions (knowledge exchanges), and training schools.

The EU Cost Action programme IS 1101 on “Climate Change and Migration: Knowledge, Law and Policy, and Theory” aims at strengthening the networking and knowledge exchange activities of European based researchers working on climate change and migration (for further details on activities, working groups and members, see website address: http://www.climatemigration.eu).

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**SECTION 1: BACKGROUND ON THE HAGUE INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL JUSTICE**

The Hague Institute for Global Justice is an independent, nonpartisan organization established to conduct interdisciplinary policy-relevant research, develop practitioner tools, and convene experts, practitioners and policymakers to facilitate knowledge sharing. Through this work the Institute aims to contribute to, and further strengthen, the global framework for preventing and resolving conflict and promoting international peace.

The Hague Institute for Global Justice, or simply The Hague Institute, was established in 2011 by the city of The Hague, key Hague-based organizations and with support from the Dutch government. Located in the city that has been a symbol of peace and justice for over a century, The Hague Institute is positioned uniquely to address issues at the intersection of peace, security and justice.

**SECTION 2: BACKGROUND TO THE TRAINING SCHOOL**

Climate Justice is a human rights based approach to development for all people regardless to what extent, how and where they are affected by climate change. The aim of the Training School is to train scholars in international legal instruments and mechanisms, norms and standards that frame the concept of climate justice. Secondly, it aims to address practical questions how to deal with the consequences of climate change, such as migration and internal displacement.

The training will focus on 2 main issues:

- Concepts and principles of justice and human rights, international legal and political standards on Climate Change Justice debate, including human rights consequences with a focus on migration and internal displacement.

- Current policy, rule of law and good governance principles and practice concerning International organizations, national and local governments, NGOs, CSOs and other agencies who deal and handle issues.

The Training School will have a strong legal and international law component by means of trainings and seminars focusing on legal frameworks of international, national and local instruments and mechanisms to mitigate and adapt to climate change induced consequences. It will also address strategies and best practices on how to reach climate justice based on practices of transparency, accountability, gender equity and participation.

**Learning Objectives**

The Training School is divided in a theoretical and overall legal part and a second more practical and more political and policy orientated part. Lecturers and trainers, all experts in their field and all experienced practitioners, will come from COST Action, The Hague Institute as well as external organizations.

The Training School will be composed of workshops, lectures and seminars with an emphasis on practical case studies and latest developments in the area of climate change, human rights, migration and governance.
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Driving from Amsterdam via the A4 to the Prins Clausplein. Driving from Rotterdam via the A13, then the A4 to the Prins Clausplein. Driving from Utrecht via the A12, then the A13 to the Prins Clausplein.

From the Prins Clausplein:
Follow the signs to The Hague (Den Haag) while driving over the Utrechtse Baan. At the end of the short highway, turn left onto the Zuid-Hollandlaan. Make sure that you keep seeing the Malieveld on your left hand side. At the traffic lights (T-junction) you turn right onto Koningskade. Take the first exit to the left onto Dr. Kuyperstraat and continue onto Mauritskade. At the traffic lights, turn right onto Alexanderstraat and take the first exit to the right onto Sophialaan, no. 10 is the second building on the left hand side of the road. We have limited park space available on our private parking area but there is (paid) parking space available in the surrounding area.

From Schiphol Airport:
From Schiphol airport direct trains to The Hague run every 15 minutes, you can travel to various train stations in The Hague: The Hague Central Station or The Hague Hollands Spoor. From the train station follow the directions below.

With public transport:
From the train station The Hague Central Station (Den Haag Centraal), take bus 22 to Duindorp or bus 24 to Kijkduin and take the stop "Mauritskade". At the stop, walk into the direction the bus or tram was driving and take the first exit to the right onto Sophialaan, no. 10 is the second building on the left hand side of the road.

From train station The Hague station Hollands Spoor Take tram 1 to Scheveningen and take the stop "Mauritskade". At the stop, walk into the direction the tram was driving and take the first exit to the right onto Sophialaan, no. 10 is the second building on the left hand side of the road.
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### Monday 6 October 2014 - Meeting Room 1

**The Hague Institute for Global Justice**

**Moderator:** Dr. Anja Mihr, Head of Rule of Law Program, The Hague Institute

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The aim of the day is to familiarize trainees with the latest findings of climate science; the network of multilateral institutions and processes that attempt to address these findings; and the effectiveness of such efforts up to now. Human security and justice will be used as the main lenses, through which to examine the positions of the various countries and groups of countries, as well as of regional, sub-national and non-state actors, and to evaluate the effectiveness of the global response to climate change. Trainees will be asked to “get into the shoes” of various actors in order to understand their positions better and think of possible innovative ways out of the existing stalemate.

**Suggested Reading Materials:**

- Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change: [www.ipcc.ch](http://www.ipcc.ch)
- UN Climate Change Newsroom: [www.unfccc.int](http://www.unfccc.int)
- UNFCCC Party Groupings: [http://unfccc.int/parties_and_observers/parties/negotiating_groups/items/2714.php](http://unfccc.int/parties_and_observers/parties/negotiating_groups/items/2714.php)
- Center for climate and energy solutions, ‘Policies in key countries’: [http://www.c2es.org/international/key-country-policies/policies-key-countries](http://www.c2es.org/international/key-country-policies/policies-key-countries)

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At the end of the session the participants will be able to describe the specific challenges Small Island Developing States (SIDS) are facing due to rising sea levels, and their particular vulnerability. They will also be given an overview of some possible responses that are available to SIDS and the international community to address these challenges in an equitable and fair manner.

Suggested Reading Materials:


12.30- 13.25  Lunch @ The Hague Institute

13.25-13.30  Group Photo

13.30- 17.00  Interactive Lecture on Concepts and Principles of Climate Justice by Mr. Christian Baatz.

The overall aim of the session is to provide participants with a deeper understanding of the ethical dimension of climate change and its implications. What are particularly ethical questions and problems regarding climate change and how are they interwoven with descriptive/empirical problems? Finally, it is worth noting that depending on the general ethical approach endorsed, one's conceptualization of climate ethics will vary considerably.

13.30- 15.30  Session 1: Introducing climate justice/ethics

This session will introduce the main ethical issues, thereby also providing participants with a rough overview of central debates within the realm of climate ethics / climate justice. The session also aims at offering some clarifications on the meaning of key concepts and principles that are often used, albeit not in a homogenous way, such as ethics, justice, mitigation, polluter pays principle etc

15.15 - 15.30  Break
15.45 -17.00  **Session 2: Disputation – Must I reduce my carbon footprint?**

**Preparation:**

In preparation for the disputation in session 2, participants are asked to have a brief look at two papers that deal with individual duties regarding climate change. One paper argues that there are duties to reduce one's individual GHG emissions (Hiller 2011), the other papers disputes this claim (Seager et al 2011). The papers are supposed to provide participants with some first arguments for their respective position (pro/con) in the disputation. In order to be comparatively short, both papers are comments on another paper (Nolt 2011). From the comments, it should be sufficiently clear what the key claim of the original paper is that they comment on. Those who are interested can also check the original paper that the comments refer to.

**Suggested Reading Materials**


17.00-18.30  **Welcome drinks @ The Hague Institute**
Tuesday 7 October - Meeting Room 2

The Hague Institute for Global Justice


09.00 - 09.15 Recap of day 1 by Ms. Charlotte Divin

09.15 - 10.30 Interactive Lecture: ‘On the request for an ICJ advisory opinion on states’ obligations to prevent the harmful consequences of anthropogenic climate change’ by Ms. Jenny Grote Stoutenburg.

At the end of the session, the participants will be able to understand the history and role of the International Court of Justice, in particular its advisory function and to identify legal principles relevant to climate change.

Suggested Reading Materials

- Yale Center for Environmental Law and Policy, Climate Change & the International Court of Justice, available at http://envirocenteryale.edu/climatechange/ici


At the end of the session, the participants will be able to evaluate the usefulness of pursuing climate change litigation under the international dispute settlement system of the UN Law of the Sea Convention.

Suggested Reading Materials


Other resources

- http://www.icj-cij.org/
- http://www.itlos.org/

11.15-11.30 Walk to the Peace Palace Library
**Training School:** Climate Justice

11.30-12.30  Visit of the Peace Palace Library

12.30 - 13.30  Lunch @The Hague Institute – Meeting Room 2

13.30 - 17.00  Interactive Lecture on the Role of International Human Rights Mechanisms in the Struggle for Climate Justice*, by Ms. Margaretha Wewerinke.

This session addresses the role of international human rights mechanisms in the realisation of ‘climate justice’. Climate justice is understood as the prevention of dangerous climate change in a manner that addresses and corrects historical disparities between nations. The session starts by exploring linkages between climate justice and international human rights law, based on the text of human rights treaties and their interpretation by judicial and quasi-judicial bodies. Participants will examine how individuals and communities whose human rights are interfered with as a result of climate change could use human rights treaty bodies to seek redress from States that could have prevented or mitigated those adverse effects. The session also addresses the potential of the UN Human Rights Council (which has addressed climate change in four resolutions, panel discussions and at its annual Social Forum) in realising and promoting climate justice.

14.45-15.00  Break

15.00-17.00  Simulation of part of a Regular Session of the Human Rights Council focused on climate justice, Ms. Margaretha Wewerinke.

The second part of the session consists of a simulation of part of a Regular Session of the Human Rights Council focused on climate justice, following on from a resolution on Human Rights and Climate Change (HRC Res. 26/33) that has been adopted at the Council’s June 2014 session. During the model session, Member States of the Council will try to reach a joint decision on how the Council’s agenda on Human Rights and Climate Change is going to move forward. There are several options: for example, the Council could do nothing; it could agree to postpone action until after a scheduled full-day discussion on Human Rights and Climate Change to be held at its March 2015 Regular Session; it could seek to influence the international climate negotiations by clarifying linkages between the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and human rights; or it could decide to establish a Special Procedure mandate dealing specifically with climate justice. Naturally, different members of the Council have different preferences. There is nonetheless a common desire to adopt a consensual resolution on this matter well before the session is scheduled to conclude.
Preparation:

a) If you are not already familiar with the relevant treaties, please consult the text of the UNFCCC, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR). Please also consult the text of the Declaration on the Right to Development.


b) Please browse the ‘Human Rights and Climate Change’ section of the website of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR): http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/HRAndClimateChange/Pages/HRClimateChangeIndex.aspx

c) In preparation for the Human Rights Council simulation, it is particularly worth consulting individual countries’ submissions to OHCHR: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/HRAndClimateChange/Pages/Submissions.aspx.

When consulting submissions, please pay specific attention to any statements on (i) the relationship between human rights and the UNFCCC; (ii) the principle of ‘common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities’; (iii) ‘extraterritorial’ obligations of States; and (iv) terms related to State responsibility, such as ‘violations’, ‘remedies’ or ‘redress’.

d) It is also worth having a quick look at the first three resolutions on Human Rights and Climate Change adopted by the Council: Res. 7/23, 10/4 and 18/22. (Note that the OHCHR website is not entirely up-to-date as it does not mention the adoption of the Council’s fourth resolution on the topic: Res. 26/33.)

e) Finally, please consult Res. 26/33 thoroughly and critically from the perspective of your chosen Member State. The draft resolution tabled for adoption at the Regular Session has not yet been made available; however, the sponsors have indicated that it will build on Res. 26/33. The scheduled negotiations are thus an opportunity to reiterate important elements, address deficiencies and agree on further action.

f) Talking with friendly Member States, formulating language proposals and developing negotiation strategies prior to the Session are all encouraged.
Wednesday 8 October 2014 - Meeting Room 1

The Hague Institute for Global Justice

Moderator: Dr. Wybe Douma, Senior Research Fellow, Asser Institute

9.00 - 9.30 Recap of Day 2 by Ms. Charlotte Divin


During the module, we will explore some of the following issues:
- The role of international legal frameworks in addressing global and local policy challenges;
- Regional and national tools and mechanisms to translate framework legislation
- The role of State, private and non-governmental sectors in the development of national and international legal norms
- Challenges and opportunities, which climate change and human rights regimes create for each other

10.45 - 11.00 Break

Preparation:
Reflect on what legal tools your respective countries or regional organizations use to translate the convention to national and local level.

Recommended reading:

- http://www.globeinternational.org/policy-initiatives/climate-change-initiative
- Linking Human Right and Climate Change at the United Nations. John H.

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch @ The Hague Institute

13.30 - 15.00 Interactive Session: ‘The EU’s Policy on Climate change and its relations with third countries’ by Mr. Jake Werksman.

Trainees will be introduced to the history and evolution of distributional justice in the climate change regime through the application of the principle of CBDR-RC to the design of mitigation, financial and adaptation commitments under the UNFCCC and the KP. Focus will be given to the state of play in the debate on equity and CBDR-RC in the negotiations of the 2015 agreement and the use of distributional approached to the sharing of effort under the EU climate and energy polices. The session will also cover concepts of liability for loss and damage for climate change impacts under the UNFCCC -- substantive law, institutions and processes.
Recommended reading:

- Harald Winkler & Lavanya Rajamani (2013): CBDR&RC in a regime applicable to all, Climate Policy:
- The EU Emissions Trading System (EU ETS):

15.00- 15.15  Break

15.15- 17.00  Interactive Session: ‘Introduction on current Dutch policy and governance issues concerning climate change’ by Ms. Vera Vroemen.

This session will seek to introduce participants to Dutch policy regarding climate change, focusing on the Dutch Climate Agenda, climate and development cooperation and partnerships. During the session attention will be given to several topics including the UNFCCC negotiations, the recent Climate Summit, adaptation and finance.

17.30-20.00  Joint dinner

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**Thursday 9 October 2014 - Meeting Room 1**

**The Hague Institute for Global Justice**

**Moderator: Ms. Marie-Laure Poiré, Events & Coms Manager, The Hague Institute**

9.00- 9.30  Recap of Day 3 by Ms. Marie Laure Poiré

9.30-10.50  Interactive session: ‘Focus on Internal displacement and climate change: economic, cultural and security problems’, by Dr. Ioulia Moraitou.

The aim of the day is to familiarize trainees with the role of the environment as a migration driver and the ways in which it may interplay with other social, cultural (discrimination/racism procedures), economic and political factor, in order to develop adequate policy responses. The lecture will explore the reason why political and administrative reforms, Urban Governance Regional Development - Territorial-Social Cohesion are key topics in a development agenda preparation and discussion and which are the differentiations from place to place. Concept analysis and concrete examples will be provided, focusing on the local and regional levels and, in particular, Greece.

**Recommended Reading Materials:**

Corry O., 2012, “From Defense to Resilience; Pursuing security in an age of risk”, Hamburg, DE.
Territorial Dynamics in Europe; Regions and cities in the global economy, ESPON, EC, Territorial Observation no 6, May 2012: http://www.espon.eu/export/sites/default/Documents/Publications/TerritorialObservations/TO6_May2012/TO-6_Regions_and_cities_in_the_global_economy.pdf
Royal Geographic society "Cities and Climate Change", Geography Knowledge and Society, 2009
"New frontiers for a global urban commons": http://www.rockefellerfoundation.org

10.50 - 11.05 Break

11.05 - 12.30 Lecture and interactive discussion: 'Migration, Environment and Climate Change', by Mr. Martin Wyss.

At the end of the session the participants will be able to understand the relationship between climate change and migration and identify the categories of persons in need of assistance and protection. Furthermore, trainees will familiarize with the types of rights and protection granted to persons displaced by climate change. Focus will be given to how new legislation or agreements will be complemented by other policies for example on assisting IDPs or helping populations adapt and remain at home.

Recommended Materials:

- Global Estimates 2014: People displaced by disasters, September 2014, Norwegian Refugee Council and Internal Displacement Monitoring Center
- “Enhancing Capacities of Policymakers and Practitioners on Migration, Environment and Climate Change in Sub-Saharan Africa”

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch @ The Hague Institute

13.30 - 15.00 Interactive Session: ‘Role of the Private Sector in Climate Change Justice’ by Mr. Jan van de Venis


1.a General principles: Duty bearers states and business
1.b What is ‘human rights due diligence’ for business?
1.c Role of NGOs
1.d Remedies and access to justice for victims

2. Debate and open brainstorm: Where are the gaps for climate justice?

2.a Gaps in legislation?
2.b Human Rights based approach help?
2.c Criminal Law? New initiatives like Ecocide?
Suggested additional Readings:

- UN websites on Business and Human Rights: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Business/Pages/BusinessIndex.aspx
- And Climate Change and Human Rights: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/HRAndClimateChange/Pages/Study.aspx

15.00-15.15 Break

15.15-17.00 Interactive Session: ‘How can Civil Society Organizations influence international policy on climate change?’ by Dr. Andrea Schapper

At the end of the session, the participants will be able to understand the different channels of influence CSOs try to take for shaping climate policies and the diverse CSO structure involved at the international climate conferences.

Recommended Materials:


Other Sources: Human Rights and Climate Change working group: http://climaterights.org/
SECTION 7: BIOGRAPHY OF TRAINERS AND MODERATORS

Dr. Abiodun Williams
Dr. Abiodun Williams was appointed the first President of The Hague Institute for Global Justice on January 1, 2013. From 2011 to 2012 he served as Senior Vice President of the Center for Conflict Management at the United States Institute of Peace (USIP) in Washington, DC. He led USIP’s work in major conflict zones such as Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Libya, Tunisia and Egypt. He served as Vice President of USIP’s Center for Conflict Analysis and Prevention from 2008 to 2011, and had primary responsibility for the Institute’s work on conflict prevention, Iran, and Northeast Asia.

From 2001-2007, Dr. Williams served as Director of Strategic Planning in the Executive Office of the United Nations Secretary-General, where he was a principal adviser to Secretaries-General Ban Ki-moon and Kofi Annan. He served in three peacekeeping operations in Macedonia, Haiti, and Bosnia-Herzegovina from 1994 to 2000 as Special Assistant to the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, and Political and Humanitarian Affairs Officer.

Dr. Williams has also had valuable experience in academia. He has served as Associate Dean of the Africa Center for Strategic Studies at the National Defense University in Washington, DC, and held faculty appointments at the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University, University of Rochester, and Tufts University.

In 2012 Dr. Williams was elected Chair of the Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS). He is a Member of the Executive Board of the Institute for Global Leadership at Tufts University. Previously he served as a Trustee of the Lester B. Pearson United World College of the Pacific in Canada, and a Member of the International Board of Directors of the United World Colleges.

He is the author or editor of three books on conflict prevention and multilateral negotiations. He has received several awards including the Dr. Jean Mayer Global Citizenship Award from Tufts University and the Constantine E. Maguire Medal from Georgetown University. Dr. Williams attended Lbster B. Pearson College, where he gained the International Baccalaureate Diploma. He holds an M.A. Honors in English Language and Literature from Edinburgh University, as well as an M.A.L.D. and a Ph.D. in International Relations from The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

Dr. Andrea Schapper
Dr. Andrea Schapper has joined the research group on International Relations on 1 March 2012. At the Technische Universität Darmstadt she is offering classes in political science with an emphasis on human rights and climate change, international organizations and governance.

At the moment, she is conducting research on cooperative partnerships comprising state actors and private actors at various levels (from the local to the global) for implementing international norms. In addition to that, she works on a larger research project investigating the relationship between climate change and human rights.

Andrea Schapper has studied at the Santa Fe Community College and at the Leibniz Universität in Hannover. After receiving her MA in International Relations, she has worked for the International Labour Organization in Geneva, Switzerland. During her PhD studies at the Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences (BIGSSS) she has conducted field research in Bangladesh and India and she has been a visiting PhD student at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. Before joining the Technische Universität Darmstadt, Andrea Schapper has been teaching at the Universität Hildesheim and at the Technische Universität Kaiserslautern.
Dr. Anja Mihr
Dr. Anja Mihr joins The Hague Institute in January 2014 as Head of the Rule of Law Program. She is also Associate Professor at the Netherlands Institute of Human Rights (SIM), University of Utrecht, Netherlands since 2009.

Dr. Mihr is the co-director of the ORA-NWO project on the Impact of Transitional Justice on democratic institution building. Her work focuses on Rule of Law, Governance, Human Rights and Democratization. Until 2009 she was Visiting Professor for Human Rights at Peking University Law School in China and worked for the Raoul Wallenberg Research Institute on Human Rights, Lund University.

From 2006-2008 she was the European Program Director for the European Master Degree in Human Rights and Democratization (E.MA) at the European Inter-University Center for Human Rights in Venice (EIUC), Italy. She received her PhD in Political Sciences from the Free University in Berlin, Germany, in 2001.

Mihr has worked for Amnesty International and the German Institute for Human Rights and at the UNESCO Chair in Human Rights at the University of Magdeburg in Germany. Among others she was a research director at the Humboldt University of Berlin carrying out the research project "Teaching Human Rights in Europe" till 2006. Among others she has worked as human rights and rule of law consultant for various NGOs and Foundations, the European Parliament and the GIZ; and from 2002-2006 Mihr served as Chair of Amnesty International Germany and various other international bodies.

Mr. Christian Baatz
Mr. Christian Baatz is Research Associate at the Department of Philosophy of Christian-Albrechts-Universität Kiel, (Germany). His ongoing Ph.D. thesis deals with compensating victims of climate change in developing countries. He is also part of the research project "Arguing about Climate Engineering: Towards a Comprehensive Ethical Analysis of an Ongoing Debate" within the German Research Foundation’s (DFG) priority program on climate engineering. Besides climate ethics, his work centers on questions of global justice, human rights, and environmental ethics. Originally, he received an education as environmental scientist at Leuphana University Lüneburg (Germany).

Ms. Charlotte Divin
Ms. Charlotte Divin is the junior consultant for the Rule of Law Program and Communications team. She obtained her Master’s degree in Bilingual Studies of the Laws of the EU States, specialized in International Public Law at Paris Ouest Nanterre la Défense with a thesis on the Accountability of Peacekeepers. Charlotte also completed her LL.M in International Law and Security at the University of Glasgow, where her research focused on genocide prevention.

Following her academic experiences, Charlotte undertook an internship in the international justice department at Human Rights Watch where she grew passionate about international justice issues. She then interned for a local organization in Jakarta, Indonesia, where she became involved in the campaign for Indonesia’s ratification of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

Dr. Georgios Kostakos
Dr. Georgios Kostakos holds MA and PhD degrees in International Relations from the University of Kent, UK, and a Mechanical Engineering degree from the National Technical University of Athens, Greece. He served on the secretariat of the UN Secretary-General’s High-level Panel on Global Sustainability (GSP) as Senior Adviser and Acting Deputy Executive Secretary (2010-2012), and on many other positions at the United Nations, the Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP), the University of Athens, The Hague Institute for Global Justice and the Salzburg Global Seminar.
Highlights of Geörgios’ career include UN field missions to South Africa, Mexico, Haiti and Bosnia & Herzegovina (1994-1996); spearheading the establishment at the University of Athens of a “Master’s Degree in Southeast European Studies”, bringing together ten Universities from different countries of Southeastern Europe with EU support (1999-2000); serving as Assistant Secretary of the UN Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (2000-2003); contributing to the preparation of the 2005 World Summit as member of the UN Secretary-General’s Strategic Planning Unit (SPU); working with the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) to prepare the High-level Event on Climate Change (New York, 24 September 2007) and subsequently serving as climate change focal point in the Secretariat of the UN System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB) (2007-2010).

An independent consultant based in Brussels, Belgium, since August 2012, Georgios has been one of the founders of the Foundation for Global Governance and Sustainability (FOGGS) and is currently serving as its first Executive Director. Georgios’ areas of expertise include global governance and sustainability, climate change, UN reform, conflict resolution, peacekeeping and peace building. He maintains a current affairs blog: www.kostakos.net

Dr. Ioulia Moraitou
Dr. Moraitou is Civil Engineer, specialized in Environmental Management and Spatial Planning, holds a PhD in Sciences, ULB, Brussels, Belgium; Researcher at the European Centre of Environmental Research and Training and the Institute of Regional Development of Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, Athens Greece; member of the core group of the Management Committee of COST Action IS 1101 Network on Climate Change and Migration and STSM coordinator.

Ioulia Moraitou worked for more than 10 years in a city administration in Greece, as Advisor in the cabinet of the Mayor, 2006. After serving the European Commission’s DG Environment for “Cohesion policy and Environmental Impact Assessments” Unit, 2009, she was employed as Advisor in the cabinet of the Secretary of State for Civil Protection, in the Greek Government, 2012. Her favorite research topics are: Urban Planning, Urban Governance, Regeneration policies, Cultural Heritage, Historic Centre’s management, Environmental Policies, Cohesion Policy /Regional & Local development policies, Disaster Risk Reduction, Climate Change Adaptation strategies and Migration.

Mr. Jake Werksman
Jacob Werksman is Principal Adviser to DG-CLIMA and joined the Commission in April 2012. He is an international lawyer, specializing in international environmental law and international economic law. For over fifteen years, he has provided legal advice to governments and taught and published widely on the international legal dimensions of climate policy, including on the design of compliance mechanisms, climate finance and on the relationship between carbon markets and international trade and investment agreements. Prior to joining the Commission, he held posts at the World Resources Institute, the Rockefeller Foundation, United Nations Development Programme and the Foundation for International Environmental Law and Development (FIELD) in London. He has held teaching positions at the New York University Law School, Georgetown University Law Center and at the School of Oriental and African Studies and University College at the University of London.

Ms. Jenny Grote Stoutenburg
Ms. Jenny Grote Stoutenburg, LL.M.; Maître en Droit, is an Associate Legal Officer at the International Court of Justice in The Hague. Prior to joining the Court, she was a Visiting Scholar at UC Berkeley School of Law. Jenny has worked at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, the Federal Foreign Office of Germany, and the German Institute for Human Rights. She holds law degrees from the University of Cologne, Germany, and the Université Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne), France. Her publications include articles relating to small island states, international environmental law, the law of the sea, and environmentally induced migration. Jenny has written her dissertation at the University of Hamburg on the topic of “Disappearing Island States in International Law”.
**Mr. Jan van de Venis**

Mr. Jan van de Venis started his career in commercial law. He had a broad and international corporate law practice focused on SMEs and industry. He specialized primarily on advising and litigating in the areas of corporate law in a broad sense, contracts and disputes, other contract law issues, liability and labor law. Jan switched working for commercial law firms to become Legal Counsel / Attorney with Greenpeace International in 2004, where he was responsible for the overall organizational legal support of the board and senior management team of Greenpeace International and other Greenpeace offices and projects worldwide.

When Jan left Greenpeace in 2007, he set up his law firm JustLaw and StandUpForYourRights. His practice concentrates particularly on human rights and sustainable development issues and support on corporate law. His clients are predominately NGOs, government and business. Jan has since the set up been the chair of the board of Stand Up For Your Rights. In addition, he was a member of the Governance and Remuneration Working Group at Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), is a special guest lecturer on Human Rights for the University of Utrecht and has been a very active (board) member in many civil society initiatives and think tanks in the area of human rights and sustainable development. Since April 2014, Jan is Legal Desk Director of Geneva based WaterLex: improving water governance based on human rights.

**Dr. Malini Laxminarayan**

Dr. Malini Laxminarayan, researcher within the Rule of Law program at The Hague Institute, is currently working on the ORA-NWO project, The Impact of Transitional Justice on Democratic Institution Building. After receiving degrees in Sociology (BA) and Criminology (MA), Malini obtained a PhD in Law from the University of Tilburg in the Netherlands. Her dissertation focused on the position of victims in the criminal justice system, examining in which way a more individualized approach is necessary.

She then worked as a research coordinator at the European Forum for Restorative Justice in Leuven, Belgium. Here her research focused on increase increasing accessibility of restorative justice procedures throughout Europe. Her research interests include victim rights, procedural justice, human rights, restorative justice, and rule of law.

Malini has published in international peer-reviewed journals several at,-including Social Justice Research , European Journal for Criminology , Psychology, Crime & Law and Journal for Interpersonal Violence .

**Ms. Marianna Bolshakova**

Ms. Marianna Bolshakova is a Legal Officer with the secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). She provides legal advice to the secretariat units, Parties and other stakeholders in the context of implementation and in the negotiation process. Some of the areas of her work relate to legal issues arising in the context of reporting and review under the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol, issues related to the operations of the Kyoto Protocol flexibility mechanisms, the operations of the compliance regime and procedural issues in the context of the intergovernmental process.

Marianna joined UNFCCC four years ago, before which she worked for number of years with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe on issues such as development and implementation of treaty compliance regimes, capacity building for the judiciary and legal support to the intergovernmental process. Her experience prior to joining the UN includes management of multy-country projects in the region of Central and Eastern Europe aimed at approximating environmental legislation to the EU Acquis, with a specific focus on environmental governance, as well as work for an environmental advocacy. She holds an LL.M degrees in Civil Law and in Comparative Constitutional Law and is a co-author on a number of publications in the field of environmental governance.
Dr. Margaretha Wewerinke
Dr. Margaretha Wewerinke is a Researcher in Law at the European University Institute in Florence, where she pursues research on responsibility of States for impacts of climate change on human rights. She graduated from the European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation and pursued a Graduate Diploma in Law from Nottingham Law School. Margaretha has experience assisting governments and non-governmental organisations at the international climate change negotiations and participated in several sessions of the United Nations Human Rights Council and the African Commission on Human and Peoples’ Rights. She was responsible for designing and teaching a 10—day capacity building workshop ‘Human Rights and Climate Change: Added Value for the South Pacific Region’ at the University of the South Pacific in Suva, Fiji, and was a guest lecturer at the European Master’s Degree on Human Rights and Democratisation, in 2011.

Ms. Marie-Laure Poiré
Throughout her nine years of professional experience, Marie-Laure Poiré has developed expertise in program management, community building and communication. During her time at The Center for Transatlantic Relations, then at Women in International Security (WIIS) and finally at The Alliance for Peacebuilding, Marie-Laure designed and implemented numerous at programs aimed at communicating, briefing, and informing partners and supporters (including large and small scale events, roundtables, expert consultations), from the private, public and nonprofit sectors, on national and international security issues useful while providing them with leadership, mentorship, and professional development and training.

Marie-Laure has extensive experience managing a large network of more than 7,000 experts from around the world, assessing its needs and providing specific programs to answer those needs. Marie-Laure is useful proficient at nurturing and maintaining communication with critical stakeholders as well as fostering greater interaction and knowledge sharing amongst a community of experts.

She has earned a Master of Arts in Security Studies from the Security Studies Program at Georgetown University with an emphasis on human security and gender issues, holds U.S. and French citizenships, and is fluent in French.

Mr. Martin Wyss
Mr. Martin Andreas Wyss obtained Master degrees in Linguistics and Development Economics. He started his professional career with the International Red Cross. Since 1993 Martin has worked with IOM, International Organization for Migration. Starting in Mozambique, he has worked at various IOM missions. After having spent 7 years as Chief of Mission in Moldova, he has recently been appointed as Chief of Mission of IOM in the Netherlands. Martin’s specific field of interests include the nexus between migration and development and efficiency of development aid intervention, in particular the endless debate around sustainability.

Ms. Ting Zhang
Ms. Ting Zhang is originally from China. She holds a master's degree in Sustainable Development from Utrecht University, with a focus on Environmental Policy and Management.

During her studies, she became increasingly interested in the research fields of environmental governance, corporate social responsibility, and the science-policy interface. Her master's thesis dealt with the risk communication of novel technologies, particularly carbon capture and storage in the Netherlands.

She also holds a bachelor's degree in Environmental Geography and International Development from the University of East Anglia in England, which centred heavily on resources and energy management, especially in developing countries.
After graduation, she was actively involved in supply-chain sustainability research through internships and volunteering work at various non-profit organisations. She has been working as a researcher at The Hague Institute for Global Justice since 1 February 2012.

**Ms. Vera Vroemen**  
Ms. Vera Vroemen joined the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2002. Currently Vera is Policy Coordinator, at the Climate, Energy, Environment and Water Department and is the dept. Head of the Netherlands Delegation to the UNFCCC.

During her diplomatic career she worked on several topics including human rights, migration, North Africa, the Middle-East and Gulf and was posted in Brussels (permanent representation to the EU) and Beijing.

Before joining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Vera worked for the District Court, Administrative Law Sector in Haarlem. Vera holds a law degree from Leiden University.

**Dr. Wybe Douma**  
Dr. Wybe Douma studied law at the University of Groningen (The Netherlands) and the Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen (Germany) and wrote his Doctorate thesis on "The Precautionary principle. Its application in International, European and Dutch Law".  
Since 1998, he is senior research fellow at the T. M.C. Asser Institute (The Hague, The Netherlands) and lecturer of International Environmental Law at The Hague University. His working experience includes lecturing and advising on European and international environmental law and issues of sustainable development in the EU and its neighbouring countries, South America and Asia to students, civil servants, judges, public prosecutors and diplomats.

Furthermore, he was team leader and senior legal expert in a wide range of EU environmental approximation projects, notably in Bosnia Herzegovina (preparing environmental legislation) and Russia (advising on improved permitting systems for large polluters), and worked on numerous other EU environmental law projects dealing mainly with the relationship between national and European law. He also was senior legal expert in a team advising the European Commission on methods to apply the precautionary principle in EU chemicals law. In 2009-2010, he was seconded to the Legal Department of the Dutch Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment, where he dealt with a wide range of EU and international environmental law issues and notably with climate change. Since several years, he is co-author of the Handbook on European environmental policy and The Netherlands (http://www.infomil.nl/onderwerpen/integrale/handboek-eu).

He is co-founder and editor-in-chief of the European environmental law website (www.eel.nl), case-law editor for two environmental law journals and permanent contributor to a journal on European and economic law and publishes frequently on a variety of Dutch, European and international environmental law issues and notably on aspects of climate change law.
**SECTION 8: BIOGRAPHY OF TRAINEES**

**Anna Eliseeva** is currently a PhD candidate in Development and Transitional Economics at Paris School of Economics and University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne. She is also a Policy Analyst in the Eurasia Competitiveness Programme at the OCECD, Paris where she conducts analysis and assessment of public policies and tools encouraging ‘greening’ of SMEs and encouraging environmental sustainability. For the past three years, she has been advising governments, primarily of emerging countries, to adopt policy initiatives aimed at helping them generate new approaches to world-shaping climate change and energy challenges.

**Diana Todorova** is an expert on climate change in the Ministry of Environment and Water of Bulgaria where her main activities and responsibilities include developing a national policy in the area of climate change mitigation and adaptation; participating in the international negotiations under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, and coordinating the work of other ministries and institutions as well as interdepartmental working groups in reference to the national policy on climate change.

**Danko Aleksic** is a PhD candidate in International and European Affairs at the University of Belgrade. In addition, he is an expert at the Regional Environmental Centre for Central and Eastern Europe, based in Hungary. From 2008 to 2010, he served as teaching assistant at the Faculty of Environmental Governance and Corporate Responsibility at EDUCONS University in Serbia. Over the years, Danko has also been engaged as consultant in several projects led by international organizations such as the OSCE Mission to Serbia or the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

**Ennid Roberts** is a researcher at Ecologic Institute. She is a member of the Ecologic Legal team. Her main professional interests are Environmental Law and Policy, Public International Law, European Law and German Public Law. Before joining Ecologic Institute, Ennid Roberts worked for adelphi, the German Institute for Human Rights, the Institute for International Affairs, the Institute for Energy and Regulatory Law and for the parliamentary party Bündnis 90/Die Grünen (The Greens). During her legal training, she worked, inter alia, at the European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights (ECCHR), the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMBU) and the German Embassy in Phnom Penh (Cambodia).

**Ethemcan Turhan** recently completed his PhD from the Institute of Environmental Science and Technology (ICTA) at the Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona (UAB). His research focused on social vulnerability of migrant seasonal agricultural worker communities in Turkey. He is an environmental engineer by training and holds a B.Sc. from Middle East Technical University, Turkey. Following his bachelor studies, he has worked for UNDP in Turkey as a project assistant on climate change and sustainable rural development projects. He has finished his M.Sc. in ICTA-UAB in 2009, specializing on climate change and global change. In October 2014, Ethemcan will join Sabanci University in Turkey as a Mercator-IPC Fellow where he will be conducting a research proposal entitled: “Securitization of the environmental discourse in Turkey: Towards a value-based understanding of climate change”.

**Jane Maher** is a PhD candidate at Trinity College Dublin, studying “Gender and Climate Justice: Examining Adaptation and Mitigation Policies”. She gained imperative work experience studying environmental change through research positions at Concern Worldwide and the EU-funded project HEALTHY FUTURES, an environmental and health project centred in East Africa. Jane Graduated from Trinity College in December 2013 with an MSc in Environment and Development, and from DCU in 2011 with a BSc in Environmental Science and Health. She spent the summer of 2012 researching for her dissertation in Malawi and Rwanda.
Jolanda Bakker – van der Vliet is currently studying for a PhD at the Leiden University, her research focuses on the position of environmental refugees in international law and subsequently covers the topic of climate refugees. Jolanda holds an LLM in International Law from the University of Rotterdam. She is a Lecturer in international and migration law and researcher at the Research Group International Peace, Justice and Security, at the Hague University of Applied Sciences.

Jesus Marcos Gamero Rus has recently submitted his PhD, which he expects to defend mid October 2014 on “Analysis and Evaluation of Political and Social Process.” His research approach is based on the study of social protection mechanisms as a fundamental policy response to climate change. He lectured at the International Master’s Degree in Migration at the University of Valencia, Spain, and has gained extensive experience working in countries such as Syria and Palestine on topics of climate change policy and environmental justice.

Julia Blocher is a researcher and PhD candidate at the Centre for Ethnic and Migration Studies at the University of Liège, Belgium, where she focuses on the environment-migration nexus, using agent-based modelling to explore high-end climate warming scenarios. She is also involved in a project on “Migration as adaptation: Mapping the influence of climate change on political drivers of migration in Ethiopia.” She was a special projects consultant for the UNHCR in Geneva for 2 years and worked as a communications officer at The Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre in Geneva.

Martin Oulu is a PhD candidate at the Human Ecology Division of Lund University, Sweden. His research focuses on the theory of ecologically unequal exchange. His geographical focus is the relations between Africa and Europe (EU 27). Originally from Kenya, Martin has been involved in climate change research, policy and technical work at both national and local levels. In 2012, he was engaged as a home-country consultant by the International Development Law Organization (IDLO) in the preparation of Kenya’s Climate Change Action Plan (2013-2017).

Mozharul Islam is a Ph.D. candidate in Sociology at Hacettepe University, Turkey. His research is entitled “Climate Variability on Physical and Social Environment: Study on Adaptation Process in Bangladesh Coastal Region”. In July 2014, Mozharul presented a paper on Climate Change at the 2nd Annual International Conference on Ecology, Ecosystems and Climate Change organized by the Athens Institute for Education and Research.

Sarah Louise Nash is a first-year PhD student at the University of Hamburg, Germany, where she is writing her doctoral thesis on the subject of political discourses surrounding migration and climate change, with a particular focus on governance processes taking place around the post-2015 global agenda. Prior to starting her PhD studies, she worked in the Scottish Parliament during the time that the concept of Climate Justice was being debated by politicians, in the context of monitoring progress towards the targets outlined in the Climate Change (Scotland) Act (2009).

Zafar Saydaliev is a junior professional with 6 years of work experience in various International Organizations and NGOs working on environmental policies, climate change, good governance and migration issues. He is currently a Project officer at PLATTFORM e.V in Germany where he is developing a new project assessing the environmental policies and regulations dealing with the effects of climate change, including migration issues and policies, and their feasibility in terms of good governance. Prior to joining PLATTFORM e.V, Zafar was part of a research group at the OSCE working on labour migration policies, environmental security and climate change.
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SECTION 10: ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED READINGS

- Climate and Economy Commission: [http://newclimateeconomy.net/](http://newclimateeconomy.net/)
Please find below some useful information about The Netherlands (*Nederland*), The Hague (*Den Haag*), transport, etc. We hope this will help you in the preparations for your stay here and give you a first impression about The Hague.

**Welcome to The Hague also known as the ‘city of Peace and Justice’**

The Hague is located in the centre of Europe, between London, Frankfurt, Berlin, Paris and Rotterdam - the world's largest port. Located in the west of the Netherlands, The Hague is at the heart of the Randstad, the urban conglomeration in the west of the Netherlands. The Randstad consists of the four largest Dutch cities (Amsterdam, Rotterdam, The Hague and Utrecht), and the surrounding areas. The foundation of The Hague as ‘City of Peace and Justice’ was lain more than 100 years ago in 1899, when the world’s first ever Peace Conference took place. Currently, The Hague is the home for the International Court of Justice and international criminal tribunals.

**Facts and figures**

After Amsterdam and Rotterdam, The Hague is the third-largest city of The Netherlands

- Number of inhabitants of The Hague: 510,000 (January 2014)
- The Hague acts as seat of government although it is not the nation’s capital
- Culture: 30 theatres, 26 cinemas, 45 museums, 4,211 shops, 7 markets, 64 hotels, 490 restaurants and 363 cafés
- Green city by the sea: 70,000 trees along the roads, 11 kilometres of coast line, 1/3 of The Hague is green, 1,200 mooring places for pleasure boats, 400 kilometres of bicycle lanes
- Number of international organisations: 131
- Number of international businesses: 316 (responsible for 49,000 jobs)
- Number of embassies and consulates: 107
- Number of associations and foundations: 458

As home to the International Court of Justice, The Hague is the only city outside of New York with a UN main body and is a home base to nearly every international organisation in the field of peace and justice.
With important international organisations like Europol and Eurojust, The Hague is also a European city. The number of international organisations continues to expand in both reach and number. The UN Security Council established the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia in 1993 to try to sue individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity committed in the former Yugoslavia. The International Criminal Court was established in The Hague in 2002, and the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) and many other organisations make their home here. With over one hundred nationalities living side by side, The Hague has embraced its heritage and strives to be deserving of the title 'International City of Peace and Justice'.

**Additional Practical information**

**How to use public transport**

The Hague has an excellent public transport system. Over 30 bus and tramlines will quickly and safely take you to your destinations in The Hague, Scheveningen and Kijkduin, as well as to the adjoining municipalities like the beautiful city of Delft. The principle operators in this region are HTM and Connexxion. Trams and buses run daily from 6 am until 1 am. A great website for local directions regarding public transport in The Hague, and in fact the whole of The Netherlands, is the following: [http://9292.nl/en](http://9292.nl/en)

**Paying for public transport**

- **In cash**
  
  It is also possible to pay in cash when travelling by bus or tram. However, if you intend to travel regularly in the region, this method is more expensive than using the OV-chipcard. The driver of the bus or tram sells tickets for a 60 minute travel for €3,00.

- **By Public Transport Chip Card ("OV-chipkaart")**
  
  The OV-chipcard is the new means of payment for the public transport system in The Netherlands. The smart card is the size of a bank card and contains an invisible chip. You can purchase either card at the counter for a public transport company, the device at the station, at a newsagent or at a supermarket.

  The OV-chipcard system works as a check-in, check-out system. At the start of your journey by tram, you check in by holding your OV-chipcard up to the logo on the screen (directly at every entrance of a tram/bus). The sound and light signal indicates your card has been read. A standard boarding rate will be deducted when you check in. *Please note: when you do not have sufficient credit on your OV-chipcard, you will not be able to check in*. At the end of your journey, you check out by holding your card up to the gate screen again.

  **Please note:** do not forget to check out with the card because a large amount will be deducted from the card. Also, note that if you travel on public transport you need to check in directly upon entering the bus/tram. If a controller enters the tram/bus/train without you having paid (and then checked in correctly with your chipcard) you can receive a fine of € 50.
Changing Money

GWK Travelex is the specialist in foreign currencies in The Netherlands. GWK Travelex has all the usual currencies in stock. GWK Travelex is also the right address for buying or selling travellers cheques. You can find a GWK Travelex office at Schiphol airport, at Den Haag Central Train Station and train station Den Haag Holland Spoor. Another place to change money in the centre of The Hague is: Moneytrans (Address: Wagenstraat 66).

*Please note:* we advise to bring small notes (10, 20, 50 euro notes) instead of big notes like (100, 200, 500). In general, many shops, taxi drivers and restaurants will refuse notes of 200, 500 euro as they are hardly ever used on a day-to-day basis.

Calling home

If you would like to call home the cheapest way is to buy a calling card at phone stores (for example the Phone House), bookstores, kiosks or supermarkets (for example the Albert Heijn also known as AH). You can often buy them for a fixed price and they can be used until the amount that the card represents, has been spent. The phone cards can be used for calling home and abroad from a fixed telephone, mobile phone or from a public telephone. The rates depend on the type of card and the destination. The hotel where you are staying at, will most likely have more information as well.

Besides, it is also possible to buy Dutch SIM cards for mobile phones. These can be bought at phone stores, supermarkets, GWK Travelex etc. The stores closest to The Hague Institute are Citronics (Address: Frederikstraat 583) or the phone stores in the city centre. However, SIM cards are expensive to phone abroad. The cheapest provider for mobile pre-paid SIM cards is Lebara. The cheapest way to call home would be Skype.

Interesting places to visit and see in The Hague

**Shopping:** All week, shops close around 17.00-18.00hrs, but every Thursday night the shops in the centre of The Hague are open until 21.00 hr.

**Het Binnenhof (Innercourt).** This collection of buildings in the centre of the city has been the centre of Dutch politics since the 15th century. Parts of the site of the Binnenhof date back to 1229. The Ridderzaal (Hall of Knights) is the oldest part of the Binnenhof. For more information please visit the following website: http://english.prodemos.nl/

**Mauritshuis** is a 17th century mansion which is now an art gallery containing Dutch and Flemish paintings, works by for example Rembrandt. The Royal Picture Gallery Mauritshuis was a state museum until it was privatised in 1995. The foundation set up at that time took charge of both the building and the collection, which it was given on long-term loan. More information is available on the website: [www.mauritshuis.nl](http://www.mauritshuis.nl).

**Lange Voorhout** is a huge tree lined square with some of the finest examples of 18th century townhouses that the city has to offer, including the baroque home of the Dutch supreme court.
The first buildings around the Lange Voorhout area started in the 15th century. In 2009 the Lange Voorhout was renovated to protect the monumental trees. Multiple embassies are located at the Lange Voorhout.

**The Queens palace, Paleis Huis ten Bosch**, is located just outside the city in the Haagse Bosch forest. Visitors can enjoy the beautiful façade from the street although the palace is not open to the public.

**Peace Palace** is home to a number of international judicial institutions, including the International Court of Justice (ICJ) or World Court, the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA). The Peace Palace is one of the most photographed landmarks of The Hague and we will be going there on Monday 23 June as well as Friday 27 June. More information can be found on [www.vredespaleis.nl](http://www.vredespaleis.nl)

**The Hague Municipal Museum.** This art museum features an important collection of modern art, plus works from earlier periods by Picasso, Monet and Van Gogh. More information: [www.gemeentemuseum.nl](http://www.gemeentemuseum.nl)

**Scheveningen** is a seaside resort with a long, sandy beach. A pier stretches out into the North Sea. The most impressive building is the Kurhaus - this hotel was built in 1885 and has been visited by several European kings and queens. Nearby is Beelden am See - a pavilion which is now a museum containing sculptures of the human form (both indoors and outside).

**Madurodam** is a theme park which contains miniature versions of landmarks in the Netherlands. The real buildings are 25 times taller than the models. George Maduroplein 1, 2584 RZ The Hague, the Netherlands. More information: [www.madurodam.nl](http://www.madurodam.nl)

**Tourist information:**

The Hague tourist office (Hofweg 1): [www.denhaag.com](http://www.denhaag.com)
Scheveningen tourist office (Gevers Deynootweg 1 134): [www.scheveningen.nl](http://www.scheveningen.nl)

**We hope you enjoy your stay in The Hague!**