

CCPL Lunchtime Seminar

Previewing the Legal Issues in the Paris Climate Change Conference

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The December 2015 climate change conference in Paris is expected to establish the architecture for the UN climate change regime post-2020, and will be the most important climate change meeting since the 2009 Conference. What is the Paris conference likely to achieve? How should we measure its success? What will be its implications for governments and business?

Professor Bodansky will preview the conference, focusing on the legal issues in the negotiations, including the legal form of the agreement, the legal character of its commitments, and options for possible US acceptance.



Professor Bodansky's teaching and research focus on public international law and international environmental law. Prior to his arrival at Arizona State University in 2010, he held the Woodruff Chair in International Law at the University of Georgia, and served as the Climate Change Coordinator at the U.S. Department of State. He has recently been involved in the "Towards 2015" dialogue, an informal dialogue among senior climate change negotiators from more than 20 countries, convened by the Center for Climate and Energy Solutions, an independent, non-partisan, Washington-based, NGO. Professor Bodansky is a graduate of Harvard College, Cambridge University, and Yale Law School.

