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Education

- 2011-...* National University of Singapore, PhD in Law.
Topic: International Law and the Climate Migration Argument
Co-supervisors: Alan Tan (NUS), François Crépeau (McGill), Sornarajah (NUS).
Additional readership: Simon Chesterman (NUS).
- 2009-10* McGill University (Montreal, Canada), LL.M.
- 2005-09* Sorbonne (Paris), Faculty of Law.
2009: Master (“Maîtrise”) in Public Law.
2008: Bachelor (“Licence”) in Law.
- 2004-09* Sciences Po (Lyon, France), Master in political sciences, “public affairs,” with concentrations in economics, international relations and history.
- 2008-09* Lyon 2 - Lumière University (France), Master of law, specialization “human rights.”
- 2006-07* Viadrina University (Frankfurt-Oder, Germany), exchange program in the faculty of “cultural sciences.”

Other Academic Programs

- July 13* The Hague Academy of International Law, Public International Law program.
- Oct 12* “Tenth Winter Course on Forced Migration,” Mahanirban Calcutta Research Group on Forced Migration (Calcutta, India).
- July 12* “Summer School on International Refugee Protection,” International Human Rights Institute, Strasbourg (France).
- June 10* EU-Canada Trade Negotiations Simulation Course, organized by the Centre for Trade Policy and Law, Carleton University (Ottawa, Canada).
- Sept. 08* “The European System of Human Rights Protection,” summer course program, Viadrina University (Frankfurt-Oder, Germany).
- Aug. 08* “European Summer Course on European Law,” Lyon 3 - Jean Moulin university (Lyon, France).

Professional Experience

- Feb.10-...* Research assistance for Prof. F. Mégret (McGill University, international human rights law and international criminal law; full time in the first half of 2011), Prof. F. Crépeau (McGill University, international migration law), Prof. H. Dedek

(McGill University, legal history), and Emeritus Prof. Koh Kheng Lian (National University of Singapore, international and ASEAN environmental law).

Feb-Jul 08 Remunerated intern, European Court of Justice (Luxembourg), D-G Translation.

Volunteer Activities

Sep.11-... Program coordinator, environmental migration program, Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL).

Sep.10-... Research fellow, climate change program, Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL).

Feb.11-... Research fellow in Earth System Governance Project.

Oct.10-Feb.11 Legal adviser to the International Bureau for Children's Rights (NGO based in Montreal, Canada).

2005-09 Volunteer at "La Cimade" (NGO based in Lyon, France, working on the legal protection of foreigners).

Languages

- French: mother tongue
- English: fluent
- German: working knowledge
- Mandarin: beginner
- Advanced level of Latin.

Teaching Experience

2014 *ASEAN environmental law*: occasional participation as an invited lecturer at the National University of Singapore Faculty of Law graduate class taught by Emeritus Prof. Koh Kheng Lian.

2012, 2013 *Comparative legal traditions*: occasional participation as an invited lecturer at the National University of Singapore Faculty of Law second year undergraduate course of Prof. Arif Jamal.

2007-09 *Private tutor*, teaching economics English, French, German, history, mathematics and philosophy to high-school students and students preparing to university-entrance examinations.

Invited Positions

1. Visiting fellowship, Global Trust Project (directed by Eyal Benvenisti), University of Tel Aviv (three months, October 2014 – January 2015), on "Climate migration in a complex, interdependent world."

Research Projects and Consultancy

2. Consultancy on environmentally-influenced migration in the Democratic Republic of Congo, July 2012-July 2013 (with François Gemenne, Erick Kassongo Kalonji, Véronique Lassailly-Jacob and Malika Peyraud, in partnership with the University of Goma) for the ACP Observatory on Migration and the EU Commission.
3. EXCLIM (Exil Climatique), 2010-2012. Funding by the French Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development, Transport and Housing.
4. Co-organization of a workshop in Dhaka, Bangladesh, in February 2012, on “conceptualizing environmentally-induced migration within a sustainable development framework” (with the Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL), the University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB), and Sciences Po “Institut du Développement Durable et des Relations Internationales” (IDDRI)).

Publications

Monographs

1. Co-author (with Christel Cournil), *Les Migrations Environnementales: Enjeux et Gouvernance* (Paris: Presses de Sciences Po, Bibliothèque du Citoyen, 2014).

Edited volumes

1. Co-editor (with Prabhakar Singh), *Critical International Law: Post-realism, Post-colonialism and Transnationalism* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming in mid-2014).

Peer-review articles

1. “‘Environmental Migration’ as Advocacy: Is It Going to Work?” (2014) *Refuge: Canada's Journal on Refugees* 27-41.
2. “Climate Change and International Law in the Grim Days” (2013) 24:3 *European Journal of International Law* 947-970.
3. “Constructing Climate Migration as a Global Governance Issue: Essential Flaws in the Contemporary Literature” (2013) 9:1 *McGill Journal of Sustainable Development Law and Policy* 87-117.
4. Lead author, with Ingrid Boas, Jackson Ewing, Alice Baillat, and Uttam Kumar Das: “Governing Environmentally-Related Migration in Bangladesh: Responsibilities, Security, and the Causality Problem” (2013) 22:2 *Asian and Pacific Migration Journal* 177-198.
5. “Environmental Migration: Prospects for a Regional Governance in the Asia-Pacific Region” (2013) 16:1 *Asia-Pacific Journal of Environmental Law* 77-103.
6. “Environmental Migration in the Asia-Pacific Region: Could We Hang Out Sometime?” (2013) 3:1 *Asian Journal of International Law* 101-135.
7. “Sustainable Development Law on Environmental Migration: The Story of an Obelisk, a Bag of Marbles and a Tapestry” (2012) 14:2 *Environmental Law Review* 111-133.
8. “Pour en finir avec la notion de ‘réfugiés environnementaux’: Critique d’une approche individualiste et homogène des déplacements causés par des changements environnementaux” (2011) 7:1 *McGill Journal of Sustainable Development Law and Policy* 33-58.

Articles in student-edited and other law journals

1. “The Rights of Mongolia’s Internal Migrants under International Law: Climatic, Domestic and Commercial Responsibilities” (2014) *Journal of East Asia and International Law* (forthcoming).
2. “Development Is No Excuse for Human Rights Abuses: Framing the Responsibility of International Development Agencies” (2013) 5:2 *Trade, Law and Development* (forthcoming).
3. “The International Legal Challenges of Climate-induced Migration: Proposal for an International Legal Framework” (2011) 22:3 *Colorado Journal of International Environmental Law and Policy* 357-416.

Case-notes

1. ECJ Case C-366/10, *Air Transport Association of America and Others v. Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change*, Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 21 December 2011, in (2012) 49:3 *Common Market Law Review* 1113-1140.

Chapters to edited collections

1. “Governing ‘Climate Migration’,” in Walter Leal, Harry Polo Diaz and Anirudh Singh (eds.), *Handbook of Climate Change Adaptation*, vol. 2: *Policy and Climate Change* (Springer, forthcoming)
2. “Managing ‘Climate Migration’ in Mongolia: The Importance of Development Policies,” in Walter Leal (ed.), *Managing Climate Change in the Asia-Pacific Region* (Springer, forthcoming).
3. Contributing author in Sébastien Jodoin & Katherine Lofts (eds.), *Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights and Climate Change: A Legal Reference Guide*, with foreword by Thomas Pogge (Centre for International Sustainable Development Law, Academics Stand against Poverty Network, and the Governance, Environment & Markets Initiative at Yale University, 2014).
4. First co-author (with François Crépeau), “Changement climatique, migrations et droits de l’homme,” in Christel Cournil & Chloé Vlassopoulou (eds.), *Mobilité et Migration Environnementales* (La découverte, forthcoming).
5. “Les migrations internes en Mongolie: Le climat, oui, mais pas seulement !,” in Christel Cournil & Chloé Vlassopoulou (eds.), *Mobilité et Migration Environnementales* (La découverte, forthcoming).
6. Co-author (with Jae-Woo Lee and Joe Weiler), “Aviation and Sustainable Development: Some Perspectives from the Asia-Pacific” in Armand de Mestral, Markus W. Gehring, Paul Fitzgerald, eds, *Sustainable Development in International Aviation Law* (forthcoming).
7. Co-author (with Prabhakar Singh), “Thinking International Law Critically: One Attitude, Three Perspectives,” in Prabhakar Singh & Benoît Mayer (eds.), *Critical International Law: Post-Realism, Post colonialism and Transnationalism* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming).
8. “Universalism v. Magic Circles: Human Rights’ Outsiders,” in Prabhakar Singh & Benoît Mayer (eds.), *Critical International Law: Post-Realism, Post colonialism and Transnationalism* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming).

9. Co-author (with Frédéric Mégret), “Article 63,” in Ludovic Hennebel & Hélène Tigroudou (eds.), *Convention Américaine Relative aux Droits de l’Homme: Commentaire Article par Article* (Bruylant, forthcoming).
10. “Governing International Climate Change-Induced Migration,” in Marianne Elliott (ed.), *Climate Change, Migration and Human Security in Southeast Asia* (Singapore: S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, RSIS monograph No. 24, 2012) 28-45.
11. “The International Legal Protection of Climate (or Environmental) Migrants: Fraternity, Responsibility and Sustainability”, in Michel Morin, Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger, Fabien Gélinas and Markus Gehring (eds.), *Responsibility, Fraternity and Sustainability in Law: In Memory of the Honourable Charles Doherty Gonthier* (Markham, ON: LexisNexis Canada, 2012) 723 and (2012) 56 *Supreme Court Law Review* [LexisNexis Canada] 723.

Review essays

1. “Realizing Whose Utopia? The Structure of Normative International Law Arguments”, review of Antonio Cassese (ed.), *Realizing Utopia: The Future of International Law* (Oxford University Press, 2012), in (2014) 27 *Leiden Journal of International Law* 537-549.

Book reviews

1. Joint review of Denis Arnold (ed.), *The Ethics of Global Climate Change* (Cambridge University Press, 2011), Stephen Gardiner, *A Perfect Moral Storm: The Ethical Tragedy of Climate Change* (Oxford University Press, 2011), Stephen Gardiner, Simon Caney, Dale Jamieson and Henry Shue (eds.), *Climate Ethics: Essential Readings* (Oxford University Press, 2010), and Allen Thompson and Jeremy Bendik-Keymer (eds.), *Ethical Adaptation to Climate Change: Human Virtues of the Future* (MIT Press, 2012), in (2014) 3:1 *Transnational Environmental Law* 191-195.
2. Alexander Betts, *Survival Migration: Failed Governance and the Crisis of Displacement* (Cornell University Press, 2013), in *Journal of Refugee Studies* (forthcoming).
3. Daniela TEPE, *The Myth about Global Civil Society: Domestic Politics to Ban Landmines* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2012), in (2014) 13:1 *Chinese Journal of International Law* 238-240.
4. Jeffrey L. Dunoff and Mark A. Pollack, *Interdisciplinary Perspectives on International Law and International Relations: The State of the Art* (Cambridge University Press, 2013), in 4:1 *Asian Journal of International Law* 227-228.
5. Tae-Ung Baig, *Emerging Regional Human Rights Systems in Asia* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013), in (2013) 6:1 *Journal of East Asia & International Law* 315-317.
6. Andrew T. Guzman, *Overheated: The Human Cost of Climate Change* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2013), in *Climate Law* (forthcoming).
7. Grant Dawson and Sonia Farber, *Forcible Displacement Throughout the Ages, Towards an International Convention for the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Forcible Displacement* (Martinus Nijhoff, 2012), in (2013) 11:4 *Journal of International Criminal Justice* 936-937.
8. UNHCR, *The State of the World’s Refugees: In Search of Solidarity* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012), in *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* (forthcoming).

9. Susan Ossman, *Moving Matters: Paths of Serial Migration* (Stanford University Press, 2013), in *Journal of International Migration and Integration* (forthcoming).
10. Rosemary Rayfuse and Shirley V. Scott, *International Law in the Era of Climate Change* (Cheltenham, UK/Northampton, MA, USA, Edward Elgar, 2012), in (2013) 3:2 *Asian Journal of International Law* 416-417.
11. Marko Milanovic, *Extraterritorial Application of Human Rights Treaties* (Oxford: Oxford University Press), in (214) 16:1 *International Community Law Review* 139-145.
12. Alexander Betts, *Global Migration Governance* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011), in (2012) 24:3 *International Journal of Refugee Law* 653-655.
13. Thomas N. Maloney and Kim Korinek (eds.), *Migration in the 21st Century – Rights, Outcomes, and Policy* (London and New York: Routledge, 2011), in (2012) 24:2 *International Journal of Refugee Law* 498-500.

Miscellaneous

1. “Vers une protection des migrants environnementaux ?” *La relève et la peste*, first issue (2014).
2. “Environmental Migration in Asia and the Pacific: Towards a Regional Governance?” Earth System Governance Working Paper (May 2012).
3. “The European ‘Model’ of International Law and its Significance for Asia: Some Critical Reflexions” (EU centre in Singapore, Working Paper No. 7, June 2012).
4. “Sustainable Development Law on Environmental Migration: The story of a Bag of Marbles, an Obelisk and a Tapestry” (CISDL-IDLO joint working paper series on climate change law), December 2011, online: http://cisdl.org/public/docs/news/4_Benoit_Mayer_2.pdf
5. “Human Rights and the Environment: Key Challenges & Best Practices,” CISDL submission to the OHCHR study on human rights and the environment, 30 June 2011 (coauthor with Sébastien Jodoin, Patrick Reynaud, Yolanda Saito and Sean Stephenson).
6. “Cancun Conference on Climate Change: Enhanced Attention on Adaptation,” (CISDL-IDLO joint working paper series on climate change law), March 2011, online: <http://www.idlo.int/english/WhatWeDo/Programs/ClimateChange/Pages/WP.aspx>.
7. “Compendium on Legal Best Practices on Climate Change Policy,” IDLO and CISDL, 2011 (coauthor with Sarah A. Mason-Case, Liliana del Villar and Damilola Olawuyi).
8. “France : la loi relative à l’immigration, à l’intégration et à la nationalité, droits ou politique ?,” editorial for the Hans and Tamar Oppenheimer Chair in Public International Law at McGill University, June 2011, online: <http://oppenheimer.mcgill.ca>.
9. “Climate Migrants and the IOM at the Cancun Conference on Climate Change,” editorial for the Hans and Tamar Oppenheimer Chair in Public International Law at McGill University, January 2011, online: <http://oppenheimer.mcgill.ca>.
10. “International Law and Climate Migrations” (CISDL-IDLO joint working paper series on climate change law), December 2010, online: <http://www.idlo.int/english/WhatWeDo/Programs/ClimateChange/Pages/WP.aspx>.

Coordination

1. Coordination of the IDLO-CISDL Working Paper Series on Sustainable Development Law on Climate Change (October – December 2011), presented at UNFCCC COP 17 (5 working papers).
2. Coordination of the IDLO-CISDL Working Paper Series on Sustainable Development Law on Climate Change (November 2010 – March 2011), presented at UNFCCC COP 16 (16 working papers).

Conferences

Organization of conferences

1. “Building the Capacity to Better Manage Environmental Migration in Bangladesh”, workshop held in Dhaka, Bangladesh (19-23 February 2012). See section on “Research projects and consultancy.”

Organization of conference sessions and side events

1. (With the CISDL and EQPF) “Safeguarding the Socioeconomic Benefits of Sustainable Forest Management and other Climate Finance,” side event at the Doha Climate Change Conference (COP18) (6 December 2012, Doha).
2. (With François Gemenne and Ingrid Boas) “Governing global environmental change-induced migration across scales,” session at the conference “PLANET UNDER PRESSURE” organized by the International Human Dimensions Programme on Global Environmental Change (26-29 March 2012, London).

Paper presentations

1. “International Law in the Era of “Climate Migration,” Legal Scholarship Workshop, University of Hong Kong (3 June 2014).
2. “Conceiving the Rationale for International Climate Law,” International Conference on Mitigation of Climate Change: Law, Policy and Governance, Campus Law Centre of the University of Delhi (25-27 April 2014).
3. “The Concept of ‘Climate Migration’: Unpractical, Arbitrary, yet, perhaps, Promising,” Asia-Pacific Worlds in Motion (sixth conference), National University of Singapore (20-21 February 2014).
4. “Justifying Climate Cooperation: Competing Narratives in a Divided World,” Multi-disciplinary Perspectives on Climate Ethics (Como, Italy), University of Milan-Bicocca (26-27 September 2013).
5. “Environmental Migration, Governance, and Human Development: What we Can Learn from Mongolia”, University of Hamburg and Climate Service Centre (Hamburg, Germany), Hamburg Conference on Actions for Climate Migration (16-18 July 2013).
6. Opening statement at the opening podium discussion, “What should be the role of academics in framing and addressing the climate-migration nexus?”, University of Hamburg and Climate Service Centre (Hamburg, Germany), Hamburg Conference on Actions for Climate Migration (16-18 July 2013).
7. “Development Aid and Human Rights Violations: Framing the Responsibility of International Development Agencies,” International Conference on Development-

- Induced Displacement and Resettlement: Bridging Research and Practice, Filling the Knowledge Gaps, Refugee Studies Centre (RSC) (22-23 March 2013).
8. "Environmental Migration in Mongolia: Research Methodology," Migration Methodologies Graduate Student Workshop II (14 March 2013).
 9. "The Unbearable Lightness of Environmental Migration Governance Projects," Mahanirban Calcutta Research Group (MCRG), 14th Conference of the International Association for the Study of Forced Migration (IASFM), Kolkata (6-9 January 2013).
 10. "Addressing Environmental Migration through International Governance: A Critical Look and a Note of Caution," Bielefeld University, *Tracing Social Inequalities in Environmentally-induced Migration* (9-13 December 2012).
 11. "Perspectives critiques sur la protection des migrants environnementaux: qui protéger, pourquoi?" Paris 13 University (Sorbonne Paris Cité), *Les Changements Environnementaux globaux et les Droits de l'Homme* (27-28 September 2012).
 12. "The construction of the Climate Refugee as a Human Rights Issue," Utrecht University, Netherlands Institute for Human Rights, *First Networking Workshop on Human Rights Legal Frameworks in the Climate Change Regime* (6-7 September 2012).
 13. "Competing Rationales for the Governance of Climate Migration: Solidarity, Responsibility, or Security?" University of Hamburg and Climate Service Center (Hamburg, Germany), *The Securitisation of Climate Induced Migration: Critical Perspectives* (10-12 June 2012).
 14. "Fraternity, Responsibility and Security: The International Legal Protection of Climate (or Environmental) Migrants at the Crossroads," International Convention Center (London, U.K.), *Planet Under Pressure* (26-29 March 2012).
 15. "Comment of the ECJ's judgment in Air Transport Association of America (2011)," National University of Singapore (Singapore), *Faculty of Law Monthly Seminar* (23 March 2012).
 16. "Environmental Migration in Asia and the Pacific: Could We Hang Out Sometime?" Australian National University Climate Change Institute (Canberra, Australia), *PhD EXPO* (16 March 2012).
 17. "Environmental Migration: Prospects for a Regional Governance in the Asia-Pacific Region," Australian National University (Canberra, Australia), *Workshop on Climate Change Governance in the Asia-Pacific Region: Agency, Accountability and Adaptiveness* (14-15 March 2012).
 18. "Environmental Migration Governance: Think Globally, Act Locally?" United Nations Convention Center (Bangkok, Thailand), *Asia Pacific Climate Change Adaptation Forum* (12-13 March 2012).
 19. "Human Rights Concerns in Hydroelectric Projects," CentralWorld Thailand (Bangkok, Thailand) *4th international conference on sustainable energy and environment* (27-29 February 2012).
 20. "The European 'Model' of International Law and its Significance in Asia: Some Critical Reflection," Pusan EU Center (Pusan, South Korea), *International Conference on EU-Asian Relationship and cooperation* (2-3 February 2012).
 21. "Governing International Climate Change-Induced Migration: The Chaos and the Dancing Star," (Kathmandu, Nepal) ^{8th} NAPSIPAG International Conference:

- “Reinventing Governance for Managing Climate Change and Its Adaptation” (15-16 December 2011).
22. “Pushing Back the Frontier of Rights - From Limited State Obligations to Universal Rights?” McGill Faculty of Law (Montreal, Canada), *Graduate Law Student Association* (2-3 June 2011).
 23. “Justifications of a Legal Protection for Climate Migrants,” McGill Faculty of Law (Montreal, Canada), Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice and Center for International Sustainable Development Law, *Responsibility, Fraternity and Sustainability in Law – Conference in the honor of Charles D. Gonthier* (20-21 May 2011).
 24. “At the Frontiers of Rights: Protecting Human Rights Beyond National Borders, in Law and Practice,” York University (Toronto, Canada), *Osgoode Graduate Law Student Association Conference* (9-10 May 2011).
 25. “Climate Migration as an Adaptation Strategy,” University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI, USA), *ICARUS-II* (5 May 2011).
 26. “Cancun Enhanced Action on Adaptation: Progress and Limits,” McGill Faculty of Law (Montreal, Canada), panel discussion on *Climate Change and International Law: Recent Developments and Perspectives for the Future* organized by the Center for International Sustainable Development Law at McGill university (8 February 2011).

Poster Presentations

1. “Whose protection? Questioning the need for a specific human rights regime for environmental migrants” Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Human Rights, *Conference on Human Rights, Environmental Change, Migration and Displacement* (20-21 September 2012).
2. “Governing Environmental Migration at the Regional Level: Towards an Asian Model?” International Convention Center (London, U.K.), *Planet Under Pressure* (26-29 March 2012).

Awards

1. Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award, FASS Migration Research Cluster Steering Committee, National University of Singapore (February 2014).
2. CISDL-IDLO Award of Excellence in Legal Scholarship on Sustainable Development, (December 2010).