

We are delighted to invite you to a

Pacific Regional International Dispute Resolution (IDR) Workshop

Insel Fehmarn Hotel

APIA, SAMOA, 25-26 MAY 2020

With the rise of globalisation the need for dispute resolution mechanisms to react quickly, fairly, and expertly to global problems have grown. In today's world a country or territory needs to be aware of the available dispute resolution mechanisms to be able to react appropriately to disputes and to allow its citizens to benefit from the positive aspects of globalisation and at the same time arm them with tools to combat the negative aspects.

The workshop engages participants in developing IDR capacity by:

1. Fostering awareness of the different dispute resolution mechanisms and climate change/environmental issues;
2. Providing IDR awareness for diverse stakeholders including judges, government officials, legal practitioners, business owners, academics, and NGOs;
3. Exploring environmental law related issues in light of possible environmental/climate change claims.

With the guidance of international experts from the Pacific and beyond, and through a role-play scenario-based approach, participants will gain:

- An understanding of the importance of a robust IDR framework;
- An appreciation of the relevance of IDR mechanisms to climate change disputes;
- Knowledge of the differences among the available dispute resolution mechanisms;
- The ability to evaluate which dispute resolution mechanism is the right one for a particular case.

A limited number of additional places are available. Thanks to the generous support of our funders, we can offer these places for a nominal fee.

For a copy of the programme or to find out more, contact Prof Petra Butler petra.butler@vuw.ac.nz

We encourage participants to stay in Apia after the workshop for the Pacific Ocean Pacific Climate Change Conference, 27-29 May. For more information visit the conference website: <https://pacificoceanclimatechange.org/>

