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# LAW & DEV

FLEMISH INTERUNIVERSITY RESEARCH NETWORK ON  
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## INVITATION TO LAW&DEV EXPERT SEMINAR

4 JUNE 2012, ANTWERP

University of Antwerp, Room E122 - Lessiuszaal (Grote Kauwenberg 2, Antwerp)

*The Interuniversity Network on Law and Development (LAW&DEV) unites researchers at the law faculties of the Flemish universities engaged in research and education on the interaction between law and development, both within domestic societies and within the international community.*

*LAW&DEV promotes excellent research and education in law and development with a specific focus on the rights of disadvantaged persons and groups.*

*The Network aims at demonstrating the relevance of the legal discipline to development, while fully encouraging interdisciplinary collaboration.*

*The LAW&DEV Board Members are Eva Brems, Giselle Corradi, Koen De Feyter, Eric Elong Ebolo, Paul Lemmens, Stephan Parmentier, Stefaan Smis and Wouter Vandenhole. The website of the network is [www.lawanddev.ugent.be](http://www.lawanddev.ugent.be)*

**Programme of the Expert Seminar  
4 June 2012, Lessiuszaal (E122)**

*Registration is free of cost, but compulsory at Claire.Buggenhoudt@ua.ac.be by 30 May 2012*

9.30-10.00 Registrations and Welcome

10.00-11.30 **ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION on Ecocide**

Introduction by **Ms. Louise Kulbicki**, Ecocide Legal Coordinator

*Louise will introduce a proposed amendment to the ICC statute to make ecocide the 5th international crime against peace. The organisation she represents defines ecocide as 'the extensive damage to, destruction of or loss of ecosystem(s) of a given territory, whether by human agency or by other causes, to such an extent that peaceful enjoyment by the inhabitants of that territory has been severely diminished.'*

Participants will be invited to engage in a roundtable discussion on the merits of the proposal

11.30-12.30 **KEYNOTE SPEECH on The Rights Based Approach to Development and Theories of Change by Prof. Paul Gready**, Director for the Centre for Applied Human Rights at the University of York

12.30-14.00 Lunch (Agora Caffee)

14.00-16.00 **PANEL DISCUSSION on the rights-based approach to development**

chaired by **Wouter Vandenhole** with:

<b>Giselle Corradi</b>	(Ghent University)
<b>Koen De Feyter</b>	(University of Antwerp)
<b>Ellen Desmet</b>	(University of Leuven)
<b>Eric Elong Ebolo</b>	(VUB, Free University of Brussels)

16.00-17.00 **PRESENTATION on Working as a Lawyer in Development Cooperation**  
*Speaker to be confirmed*

17.00-18.00 Drink (Agora Caffee)

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Please indicate following information:

Name: .....

Institution: .....

Will attend: morning session / afternoon session / whole day

Map to University of Antwerp, City Campus: both the Lessius room (E122) and the Agora Caffee are located in building E.

