

The Environmental Law Center (ELC) in the faculty of law of the University of Cologne invites the submission of abstracts for the 1st African Environmental Law Conference with the theme “*Environmental Justice Systems in Africa: Exploring Cultural and Economic Factors*”. The conference will hold virtually 28th May 2021 and will connect African environmental law teachers and researchers from universities within and outside Africa.

Submissions are especially encouraged to discuss cases where Africans decide to opt for the justice in western countries in seeking remediation and compensation for damages caused by activities of multinational companies, it points to a problem to which adequate attention has not yet been beyond what can be called academic complaints. In these situations, what factors are contributing to affected communities and group of persons seeking for Justice outside their Jurisdiction? What lessons can be learnt from the systems that exist and are active in Africa and outside Africa?

Conference papers will be collated to reflect a comparative reach of different African countries and published as a book under the direction of the ELC.

### **Instructions for the Submission of Abstracts**

Abstracts and papers must be written in English, complete with title, author(s)’s name(s), and institutional affiliation.

Abstracts should contain the aim of the paper, main points and a brief conclusion (300 words, maximum). Abstracts should not contain tables, graphs, drawings, etc.

Abstracts should be addressed to **Dr. Dennis Agelebe**, ELC and sent to **[environmental-law-center@uni-koeln.de](mailto:environmental-law-center@uni-koeln.de)**.

The subject of the email should be “Abstract – 2021 AELC”.

Abstracts should be submitted by **April 15 2021**.

