

Conference Announcement

European Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading: Lessons to be Learned

Thursday 29 January & Friday 30 January 2009
Law Faculty, Maastricht University
The Netherlands

This conference highlights the current major revision of the European greenhouse gas emissions trading scheme from a legal and economic point of view. A range of experts will present their view on the current and further design of the greenhouse gas emissions trading scheme in the EU. Those speakers have contributed to the book 'Climate Change and European Emissions Trading: Lessons for Theory and Practice', and many authors have made clear that the economic efficiency and effectiveness of an emission trading scheme depend to a large extent on the specific legislative choices. Such choices will be debated during this conference, among which those concerning auctioning, free allocation, carbon leakage, linking emissions trading schemes, and expanding ET towards other sources like aviation. Moreover, attention will be paid to democratic accountability, legal principles, and the role of courts.

Conference fee: 250 Euro, incl. lunches, conference dinner and book.

Conference fee registered students: 50 Euro, incl lunches.

Registration and Information: <http://www.law.unimaas.nl/conferences/emissionstrading>

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Thursday 29 January 2009

Time	Session	Speaker
9.00 - 9.30	Registration (coffee / tea)	
Session I Chair: Prof. dr. Michael Faure		
9.30 - 9.45	Opening statement	Prof. dr. Michael Faure
9.45 - 10.15	Main lessons and questions; A view from the national government and the current state of affairs	Key speaker from the Dutch national government (invited)
10.15 - 10.45	Main lessons and questions; A view from the Commission and the current state of affairs	Mr Anne-Theo Seinen European Commission DG Environment
10.45 - 11.00	Coffee tea	
11.00 - 11.30	Main lessons and questions : A view from the academic world	Prof. dr. Marc Pallemmaerts
11.30 - 12.00	Main lessons and questions: a view from industry	Representative from Industry
12.00 - 12.30	Discussion	
12.30 -14.00	Lunch	
Session II Chair: Prof. Marc Pallemmaerts		
14.00 -14.30	Legal principles and emissions trading	Mr. Javier de Cendra de Larragán LL.M
14.30 -15.00	Auctioning emissions rights	Dr. Stefan E. Weishaar
15.15 - 15.30	Coffee – tea	
15.30 - 16.00	Free allocation and the polluter pays principle	Dr. Edwin Woerdman
16.15 - 16.30	Comments	Dr. Hans. H.B. Vedder
16.30 - 17.00	Discussion	
19.00 - 22.00	Reception and conference dinner	

Friday 30 January

Time	Session	Speaker
8.30 - 9.00	Coffee / tea	
Session III Chair: Prof. dr. Chris Backes		
9.00 - 9.30	Democratic accountability and emissions trading	Prof. dr. Marjan Peeters
9.30 -10.00	The role of the courts	Mr. Nicolas van Aken
10.00 - 10.15	Comments	Prof. dr. Ellen Vos
10.15 - 10.30	Discussion	
10.30 - 10.45	Coffee tea	
10.45 - 11.15	Carbon leakage: US perspective	Prof. Erik B. Bluemel
11.15 - 11.45	Carbon leakage: EU perspective	Prof. Peter van den Bossche
12.15 - 12.30	Comments	Dr. ir. Onno Kuik
12.30 - 13.00	Discussion	
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch	
Session IV Chair : Prof. dr. Marjan Peeters		
14.00 - 14.30	Economic aspects of the EU ETS - ex ante and ex post	Drs. Frans Oosterhuis
14.30 - 15.00	Ex post interventions	Prof. dr. Chris W. Backes
15.00 - 15.15	Comments	Mr. Stephano Clò LL.M
15.15 - 15.45	Discussion	
15.45 - 16.00	Coffee - tea	
16.00 - 16.30	Interaction of the EU ETS with national policies	Mr. Phon Van den Biesen
16.30 - 17.00	Concluding comments	Prof. Kurt Deketelaere
17.00 - 17.30	Discussion, and Closing of the conference	