

## SYMPOSIUM 31

### Modality:

In-person

### Symposium:

CLIMATE JUSTICE IN THE DIGITAL AGE

### Thematic area:

7 – Human Rights and Technologies;

### Coordinators:

**Name of Coordinator 1:** Sofia Magaliou

**Institution:**

**Curricular Summary:** Sofia Magaliou is a young human rights researcher. After having completed her Bachelor's degree in Law and a Minor in Environmental Sciences, she is currently completing her Master's in Human Rights and Democratisation (EMA, Global Campus of Human Rights). Between and parallel to her studies, she has worked closely with Prof. and former President of ECtHR Linos-Alexandros Sicilianos as a research assistant on projects related to Court's case-law and execution, violence against women, child-friendly justice and climate litigation. She has also been for many years an engaged activist with Amnesty International Greece and France.

**Name of Coordinator 2:** Flora Murakeozy-Kis

**Institution:** Université de Montpellier

**Curricular Summary:** Flora Murakeozy\_Kis is a Master's student in Mobility Master's Evolutionary Biology program with a strong interdisciplinary interest in human rights and environmental justice. During her Bachelor's, she engaged with human rights through the *Democracy Under Pressure* Summer School, where she interacted with judges and policymakers in Poland and contributed through policy presentations and written analyses on democratic resilience. As an exchange student in Sydney, she studied Theories of Justice, Environmental Politics, and Global Politics, further strengthening her critical understanding of socio-environmental systems. In addition, she represented Kazakhstan in the Sustainable Development Committee at The Hague International Model United Nations, where she developed practical experience in international negotiation and rights-based advocacy. Most recently, she participated in last year's CIDH Conference as a panel leader for the Environmental Justice symposium, facilitating discussions on pressing global environmental challenges.

### Line(s) of discussion (symposium description):



The climate crisis has profound implications for the peaceful enjoyment of human rights, disproportionately burdening those who have contributed the least to its creation. Once again in human history, certain parts of the globe bear the brunt of the development and prosperity of the rest. In this context, the modern, digital Western world, the so-called Global North, is insatiably exploiting the capacities of countries still under development, the so-called Global South, replicating patterns reminiscent of the colonial global discrepancies. The main objective of this symposium, we aspire to examine how and to what extent the colonial dichotomy is reproduced and sustained through neocolonial practices, with particular emphasis on the hidden climate costs and externalized environmental harms of modern digital economies. Specifically, it intends to explore how certain emerging practices, such as e-waste dumping, platform capitalism, and data colonialism can mirror and cement global disparities. In this context, the concept of climate justice seems of utmost relevance, framed as the idea of reparative and redistributive justice, aspiring to bridge the structural gap between Global North and Global South. As a justice-oriented framework, by juxtaposing power dynamics and addressing inequalities and dependencies deeply entrenched in colonial legacies, it suggests a true pathway towards fostering more just societies, both environmentally and socially. Climate justice, examined through the lens of neocolonialism and digital-AI technologies, remains underexplored in current literature, despite irrefutably meriting comprehensive research.

Therefore, shedding light on these intersecting fields emerges as particularly salient.

**Languages of abstracts that will be accepted for presentation:**

**English (X)**