

Japanese-German Summer School:
“Climate Justice – New Political and Legal Developments”

October 14th to October 22nd, 2023 in Fukuoka

Based on the contract between the Universities of Kassel and Fukuoka, the Japanese-German Summer School on Environmental and Human Rights Law will present an overview of International, European, German and Japanese Environmental Law including Human Rights. Furthermore the SDGs (UN Agenda 2030) will be included. The topics are regarding the governmental obligations arising from the Paris Agreement, Human Rights Covenants and SDGs according to the Agenda 2030. One aspect will be the civil empowerment of climate action before courts.

The Summer School is open for students from both Fukuoka and Kassel University. There will be lectures, presentations and exams as well as a cultural program.

Place: tbd

Transport: tbd

October 14th, 2023: Departure Germany

October 15th, 2023: Arrival Fukuoka, Japan

First welcome of the German delegation in Fukuoka.

October 16th, 2023: Opening session & recap

09:55 a.m.: Arrival at the seminar room.

10:00 a.m.: Welcoming – tbd, Fukuoka University.

10.30 a.m.: Introduction to Japanese Public Law – tbd, Fukuoka University.

12:30 a.m.: Lunch break.

01:30 p.m.: Introduction to Japanese Environmental Law – tbd, Fukuoka University.

03:30 p.m.: Discussion.

04:00 p.m.: End.

October 17th, 2023: Climate Protection – UNFCCC Paris Agreement and Human Rights

09:55 a.m.: Arrival at the seminar room.

10:00 a.m.: UNFCCC Paris Agreement (I): Targets and obligations, “making the Paris Agreement operational” for signatory state Japan – tbd, Fukuoka University.

11:30 a.m.: UNFCCC Paris Agreement (II): Targets and obligations, “making the Paris Agreement operational” for signatory state Germany, respectively EU – tbd, Kassel University.

01:00 p.m.: Lunch break.

02:00 p.m.: UNFCCC Paris Agreement (III): Implementation measures of signatory state Japan – tbd, Fukuoka University.

03:00 p.m.: UNFCCC Paris Agreement (IV): Implementation measures of signatory state Germany, respectively EU – tbd, Kassel University.

04:00 Summery and outlook on following topics - tbd, Kassel University/Fukuoka University.

04:30 p.m.: End.

October 18th, 2023: Climate Change and Human Rights

09:55 a.m.: Arrival at the seminar room.

10:00 a.m.: UN Resolution A/76/L.75 “The human right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment” 26nd July 2022, in connection with UN International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR) and UN International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR): Content – tbd, Fukuoka University/Kassel University.

11:30 a.m.: UN Resolution A/76/L.75 “The human right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment” 26nd July 2022, in connection with UN International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR) and UN International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR): Consequences by signatory state Germany respectively EU – tbd, Kassel University.

01:00 p.m.: Lunch break.

02:00 p.m.: UN Resolution A/76/L.75 “The human right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment” 26nd July 2022, in connection with UN International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR) and UN International

Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR): Consequences by signatory state
Japan - tbd, Fukuoka University.

03:30 p.m.: Summary and Outlook on the following topics – tbd, Kassel
University/Fukuoka University.

04:00 p.m.: End.

04:30 p.m.: Judo/Kendo, Fukuoka University sport program: Training session for
German guests

05:30p.m.: End

October 19th, 2023: UN Agenda 2030 & Climate Change

09:55 a.m.: Arrival at the seminar room.

10:00 a.m.: “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable
Development”. An Introduction with focus on SDGs 13 “Climate action” – tbd,
Fukuoka University/Kassel University.

11:00 a.m.: Adapting to climate change: “SDG 2: Food security, zero hunger” – tbd,
Fukuoka University/Kassel University.

12:00 a.m.: Adapting to climate change: “SDG 7: Affordable and clean energy” – tbd,
Fukuoka University/Kassel University.

01:00 p.m.: Lunch break.

02:00 p.m.: Adapting to climate change: “SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation” – tbd,
Fukuoka University/Kassel University.

03:00 p.m.: Adaptation to climate change: “SDG 5: Gender Equality”/ “SDG 10:
Reduced Inequalities”– tbd, Fukuoka University/Kassel University.

04:00 p.m.: Summary and outlook on the following topics. – tbd, Fukuoka
University/Kassel University.

04:30 p.m.: End.

October 20nd, 2023: Empowerment of the civil society: Proceedings on climate action

09:55 a.m.: Arrival at the seminar room.

10:00 a.m.: Lawsuits filed against **governments**: Urgenda Foundation v. The
Netherlands, [District Court of The Hague](#), and [The Hague Court of Appeal](#),
C/09/00456689 HA ZA 13-1396 (on appeal) – tbd, Kassel University

11:00 a.m.: Lawsuits filed against **governments**: Ashgar Leghari v. Federation of Pakistan, Lahore High Court Green Bench, [W.P. No. 25501/2015](#) – tbd, Fukuoka University.

12:00 a.m.: Lawsuits filed against **governments**: Citizens v. German Federal Republic, Federal Constitutional Court, Order of the First Senate of 24 March 2021, https://www.bundesverfassungsgericht.de/SharedDocs/Entscheidungen/EN/2021/03/rs20210324_1bvr265618en.html – tbd, Kassel University

01:00 p.m.: Lunch break.

02:00 p.m.: Lawsuit filed against the European Union: Armando Carvalho et al. v. European Parliament and Council of the European Union, T-330/18 (on appeal) – tbd, Kassel University/Fukuoka University.

03:00 p.m.: Lawsuits filed against **corporations**: The case Huaraz, Landgericht Essen, [Az. 20285/15](#) and resolution of 5th Civil Senate of Higher Regional Court Hamm, case Lliuya ./ RWE AG, [Az. 5 U 15/17](#) (on appeal) – tbd, Kassel University

04:00 p.m.: Lawsuits against the **Japanese government** – Feasible? Necessary? – tbd, Fukuoka University.

05:00 p.m.: Brief summary, outlook on the following topics – Fukuoka University/Kassel University.

05:15 p.m.: End

October 21nd, 2023: Excursion

10:00 a.m.: Departure to visiting places by bus, start: Fukuoka University:

- Nanzo-in Tempels in Sasaguri, Präfektur Fukuoka
- TOTO Museum, Fukuoka.

03:00 p.m.: Return to Fukuoka University.

03:30 p.m.: Farewell

04:00 p.m.: End.

October 22nd, 2023: Return to Germany

Departure of the German delegation to Kassel.