



Faculty of Law, Criminal Justice and Public Administration

# LL.M. INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAW

## WINTER SEMESTER 2022

### COURSES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Fee CHF 700.- ■ Lawyers in training (*avocats-stagiaires*) CHF 350.- ■ Students CHF 250.-

#### **International Banking Regulations**

3-4 Nov. 2022

This course, taught by Professor Carlo Lombardini\*, will deal with the main aspects of banking regulation and supervision. These include the organisation and governance of banks and banking groups, their supervision, their resolution and AML regulation. The main risks that banks have to face will be presented. The course will present not only theoretical issues but also practical examples.

\* Attorney-at-law in Geneva and a partner with the firm Poncet Turrettini, Carlo Lombardini is a reputed expert of banking law; he is an advisor to banks and other financial institutions. He represents in them in regulatory, criminal and civil law matters. Carlo Lombardini is also an associate Professor at the Law School of the University of Lausanne; he teaches banking law to the Master of Law Students (Law Faculty and Business and Economics Faculty) and advanced legal methodology (Law Faculty, Bachelor programme 3rd year) He has published extensively in the field of banking law and has broad experience as a board member of banks.

#### **The Law of Climate Change**

1-2 Dec. 2022

This course, taught by Professor Lawrence Watters\*, examines the concepts and principles in the Law of Climate Change. The international framework, in agreements, conventions and governance, is explored with the focus on major challenges and priorities. This encompasses commitments, emissions trading, funding, information disclosure, litigation, monitoring, taxes, the social cost of carbon, traditional regulation, transparency, verification and emerging issues in environmental justice. This global foundation is developed further with analysis of regional approaches, including Europe (the EU), and national approaches, primarily Asia (China) and North America (U.S.), as part of understanding implementation, in concert with critical assessment and evaluation. Case studies are also used to further illuminate theory and practice, aspirations and achievements, based on authoritative sources of scholarship.

\* Professor Lawrence Watters, Visiting Faculty, has previously taught at the University of Auckland, the University of Copenhagen, the University of Hanover and the University of Lausanne. He was a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Oslo for a year, returning a number of times to present seminars. He taught at the University of Washington in the Program on the Environment, Law, Society and Justice; and, the Jackson School of International Studies. His areas of expertise include the Law of Climate Change, International Environmental Law, Trade and the Environment and Energy Law. His publications are in the environmental law journals of Berkeley, Columbia, Georgetown, UCLA, Oslo

(Pro Natura) and Oxford among others. His text *Indigenous Peoples, The Environment and Law*, has been used at Harvard Law School, UCLA Law School and other universities.

## **Business & Climate Change**

8-9 Dec. 2022

It is difficult to imagine any solution to climate change without involving businesses. This course, taught by Mr. Laurent Develle\*, aims to prepare law & business students, future business leaders, lawyers, lawmakers and entrepreneurs for an understanding not only of how business can navigate through this new and constantly changing climate change legal and regulatory paradigm, but also of how sustainability challenges open up new sources of potential solutions and innovation, economic opportunities and social development, for example in the renewable energy, commodities & food industries, and also in the rapidly growing oceans-related economy. Students will be exposed to unconventional thinking beyond business-as-usual and will explore perspectives and practical experiences gained in the “battle field”, which redefine business strategies as being driven by sustainability challenges.

\* Mr. Laurent Develle is an international business lawyer with in-depth expertise in the legal, transactional, regulatory, impact financing, compliance and governance aspects of corporate sustainable development topics. He advises businesses, executive teams and boards of directors, particularly in the fields of energy & renewables, sustainable transportation, commodities & shipping, as well as food, fishing and agriculture value chains. With 20+ years of legal and compliance experience across continents, including over 12 years spent working in Asia, as well as a dual background in leading US/UK law firms (equity partner responsible for M&A and Environmental Asian Desks) and as Group General Counsel in various industries and governance environments, he teaches this course with cross-cultural sensitivities and takes a practical and business-like approach to issues at stake. Going beyond a strict lawyer’s approach, he believes in the benefits of a transdisciplinary approach to resolve the current sustainability challenges and the opportunities of innovation, for example in the rapidly growing field of oceans conservation and sustainable use “Blue Economy”, a field in which he is actively involved as a legal expert at the IUCN, an advisor at Boston-based BlueTech incubator Sea-Ahead and a speaker at various international conferences.

## **International Company Law**

22-23 Dec. 2022

This course, taught by Professor Edgar Philippin\*, will focus on practical aspects of cross-border merger and acquisition transactions, in particular on selected difficulties of contract drafting for prevention of post-transaction disputes. Examples (essentially based on the acquisition of a Swiss target by a foreign purchaser) will be analysed in light of the relevant principles of contract and corporate law. Relocation of the seat of a corporation (from and to Switzerland) will also be examined.

\*Edgar Philippin teaches mergers, acquisitions and public tender offers, as well as general principles of private law at the University of Lausanne. As a practitioner, he regularly assists Swiss and foreign entities in the structuring of international corporate transactions. He is a member of the Swiss Lawyers Society (SSJ), the Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA), the International Bar Association (IBA) and the *Association Littéraire et Artistique Internationale* (ALAI). Edgar Philippin graduated with a law degree and a doctorate from the University of Lausanne, where he worked as an assistant to Prof. François Dessemontet in the field of copyright law from 1996 to 1999, before joining Carrard & Associés. In 2002, he worked for O'Melveny & Myers LLP in Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles.