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Friday, April 5, 2024

9:30 AM – 2:15 PM

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Welcome and Introduction

9:30 AM – 9:50 AM

Sandra Nichols Thiam, Vice President, Research & Policy, Environmental Law Institute

Linda K. Breggin, Senior Attorney, Environmental Law Institute

Michael P. Vandenberg, David Daniels Allen Distinguished Chair of Law, Vanderbilt University Law School

Kyle Blasinsky, Editor-in-Chief, ELPAR

Madeline Claire Thompson, Development Editor, ELPAR

Climate Choice Architecture

9:50 AM – 11:10 AM

Panel Introduction: Michael Furnari, Article Editor, ELPAR

Felix Mormann (author), Professor of Law, Texas A&M University School of Law

Dr. Lisa Dilling, Associate Chief Scientist, Environmental Defense Fund

Anjali Narang, Visiting Graduate Researcher, Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economic and Management,
College of Business, Cornell University

Tabitha Scott, Executive Sustainability Officer, Gilbane

Dr. Reuven Sussman, Director, Behavior & Human Dimensions Program, American Council for an Energy-
Efficient Economy

Break

11:10 AM – 11:20 AM

Deals in the Heartland: Renewable Energy Projects, Local Resistance, and How Law Can Help

11:20 AM – 12:30 PM

Panel Introduction: Natalia Wurst (remote), Article Editor, ELPAR

Christiana Ochoa (co-author), Dean and Herman B. Wells Class of 1950 Endowed Professor, Indiana University
Maurer School of Law

Kacey Cook (co-author), Constance and Terry Marbach Conservation Attorney, Conservation Law Center

Hanna Weil (co-author), 2024 JD Candidate, University of Minnesota Law School

Hilary Clark, Senior Director, Siting & Permitting, Social Licensing, American Clean Power

Eric Lantz, Director, Wind Energy Technologies Office, U.S. Department of Energy

Josh Mandelbaum, Senior Attorney, Environmental Law & Policy Center

Christopher McLean, Assistant Administrator, Electric Program, Rural Utilities Service, Rural Development, U.S.
Department of Agriculture

Break (boxed lunch provided)

12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

The Negotiable Implementation of Environmental Law

1:00 PM – 2:10 PM

Panel Introduction: Michael Kamer, Article Editor, ELPAR

Dave Owen (author), Associate Dean for Research and Harry Sunderland '61 Professor of Law, University of
California College of the Law, San Francisco

Gwen Keyes Fleming (video recording), Partner and Co-Chair, Environmental Practice Group, DLA Piper

Ben Grumbles, Executive Director, Environmental Council of the States

Vickie Patton, General Counsel, Environmental Defense Fund

Closing Remarks - Conclusion

2:10 PM – 2:15 PM

Jacqueline Noel, Executive Editor, ELPAR