

Professor Ben Boer Biography

Ben Boer began teaching Environmental Law in 1979 at Macquarie University, in Sydney. He was Professor in Environmental Law, University of Sydney between 1992 -2008.

Together with colleagues at the University of Sydney, the Australian National University and the University of Adelaide, he founded of the Australian Centre for Environmental Law; at Sydney Law School this body is now called the Australian Centre for Climate and Environmental Law.

He was appointed as Emeritus Professor in the University of Sydney in late 2008. Between 2006 and 2008, he was the international Co-Director of the IUCN (International Union for the Conservation of Nature) Academy of Environmental Law and Visiting Professor based at the University of Ottawa.

In 2011 he was appointed as Distinguished Professor at Wuhan University Law School in its Research Institute of Environmental Law and now teaches in Wuhan for three months per year.

He was appointed as Deputy Chair of the World Commission on Environmental Law of the International Union for Conservation of Nature in 2012, and will serve in this role until 2016.

Ben has served as a consultant to various intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and foreign aid agencies in the following countries: China, Federated States of Micronesia, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Nepal, New Caledonia, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Trinidad and Tobago, and Vietnam, as well as conducting research for various departments of the Australian Federal Government.

Ben has published widely in the area of environmental and natural resources law and policy. For further information, see <http://www.riel.whu.edu.cn/english/content/?106.html> or <https://www.google.com/search?client=safari&rls=en&q=Ben+BOer+Sydney+law+school&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8>

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Professional Profile

- An environmental attorney with 25 years of field-based practice in environmental advocacy, education and community-based resource management work in the Philippines
- Established the Environmental Legal Assistance Center (ELAC) in 1990, now one of the Philippine's most active NGOs working to empower communities and local stakeholders to protect their natural resources; currently holding the post of Executive Director
- Professor of Natural Resources, Environmental Law and Legal Ethics in the Palawan State University College of Law since 1995
- Has more than two decades of programmatic and managerial experience in various areas of non-profit work including policy development and advocacy for conservation and natural resources management, community development and human rights, fund raising for non profit environmental work, project cycle management/monitoring and evaluation, partnership building with local governments and private sector on concerns such as climate change, coastal resource management, clean air management and legislation, protected area establishment and management and community organizing work for natural resource management
- Received several awards and commendations for environmental work, including the Bayanihan Award in March 2014 from the Western Command of Palawan, one from Conde Nast Traveller Magazine in July 2000 which selected her from a list of global candidates in recognition of her work with the Palawan indigenous communities and the establishment of ELAC; the Puerto Princesa City's MAYOR'S AWARD for valuable contribution to sustainable development and environmental protection (March 1998); and Grant Fellowship Awardee, United States-Asia Environmental Fellowship (USAEP) Program (1994)
- Finished law degree (cum laude) in 1985 at the San Jose de Recoletos, Cebu City and undergraduate degree in Accounting (cum laude) from St. Theresa's College, Cebu City.
- Author and co-author of various articles and publications on environmental policy, governance, community-based resource management, mining

- Council Member of Alternative Law Groups (ALG) and Trustee of the Non-Timber Forest Products – Exchange Programme (NTFP-EP)
- Lecturer/Resource Person on Seminars/Trainings organized by the Philippine Judicial Academy (Philja), Alternative Law Groups (ALG) and government agencies (eg. DENR, DA-BFAR and local government units) and academic institutions on environmental laws, new rules on the prosecution of environmental cases, coastal law enforcement, climate change

Karen Bubna-Litic - Biography

Karen Bubna-Litic is an Associate Professor in the School of Law at the University of South Australia (UNISA) and a member of the IUCN Commission of Environmental Law. Karen was an inaugural member of the IUCN Academy of Environmental Law's Teaching and Capacity Building Committee from 2007-2014 and has served as co-chair with Associate Professor Lye Lin Heng from 2008-2011. While co-chair, Karen co-wrote the initial version of the TTT programme with Professors Ben Boer and Rob Fowler.

She has been a visiting professor at the Boalt School of Law, UC (Berkeley) (1995), the School of Environmental Negotiation, University of Virginia (1999) and the Program for Research and Documentation for a Sustainable Society at the University of Oslo (2006). In 2010 she was a visiting professor at the University of Ottawa, the University of Cape Town, North-West University and the University of Maastricht.

Karen has more than 20 years experience in the development and teaching of environmental law courses both in Australia and overseas. She has published extensively in this area where her focus has been on corporate environmental responsibility and climate change law. Her research includes book chapters/ articles on ecotaxation, environmental reporting, the link between sustainability and corporate practice, climate change and economic incentives, and the social justice outcomes of carbon pricing policy, with particular reference to indigenous communities. Her current research focuses on wind energy policy and she has just completed a project for the IUCN on objective evaluation of environmental law principles in natural resources management. She has been a board member of the Environmental Defenders Office of South Australia since 2013 and is currently an external examiner for University College London's Masters in Energy and Resources.



LYE LIN HENG - Short CV 2015

LYE Lin Heng [LLB (Sing), LLM (London), LLM (Harvard)] is Director of the Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law (APCEL), at the Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore (NUS) and former Vice-Dean of the Faculty. Her areas of teaching and research are Property Law and Environmental Law. She was instrumental in conceptualising and launching the first multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary programme on the environment in NUS - the MSc (Environmental Management) [MEM] which has the collaboration of nine different faculties and schools in NUS, and is hosted by the School of Design & Environment. She chaired the Steering Committee for the MEM program and, upon the program's launch in 2001, continues to chair the Programme's Management Committee. The MEM program inspired the new Bachelor in Environmental Studies (BES) programme launched in NUS in 2011/12.

She continues to teach Property Law at the NUS Law Faculty as well as Comparative Environmental Law. She is the Law Faculty's representative in the MEM program, which she chairs, and course coordinator for its compulsory module on Environmental Law. She has published and presented on environmental law in national, regional and international journals and conferences and takes a keen interest in nature conservation and pollution laws as well as the role of law in environmental policy, management and governance.

She is a member of the Singapore Land Titles Strata Board and of the Ministry of Environment & Water Resources' Committee on Clean Drinking Water Standards. She was a Board member of Singapore's public housing agency, the Housing and Development Board (HDB) as well as the Tenants' Compensation Board. She was Honorary Legal Advisor to the Nature Society Singapore for many years and has passed this on to a former student.

At the international level, she has been a member of the Board of Governors, IUCN Academy of Environmental Law for many years, and was also its Vice-Chair for 2012-13. She also chaired its Teaching and Capacity Building Committee. She is Visiting Associate Professor at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, where she co-teaches an intensive course on Comparative Environmental Law each year with Prof Nicholas A Robinson, former Chair of the IUCN Commission of Environmental Law. She also co-teaches from time to time, a course on Asia-Pacific Environmental Law at the Law School, University of Sydney with Prof Rosemary Lyster.

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He also serve as a member of the Teaching and Capacity Building Committee of the IUCN Academy of Environmental Law (www.iucnael.org). In the last 15 years he has been involved in many research projects and published book, journal articles and several short articles in national media in the area of atmospheric pollution, forestry, fisheries and biodiversity issues. He also one of the drafters of *Law No 32/ 2009 on Environmental Management and Protection*.

He has Bachelor of Law (S.H) from Hasanuddin University and Master of Law (LLM) from QUT Brisbane Australia and obtained his Ph.D from Sydney University, Law School with a thesis on “*Regional Arrangements for Transboundary Atmospheric Pollution in ASEAN Countries*”.

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