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***STRENGTHENING CAPACITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LAW IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC : DEVELOPING ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CHAMPIONS***  
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**SESSION 10: ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CLINICS**

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# THE PURPOSE OF LEGAL CLINICS

problem-solving

why establish a clinic?

decision-making



advance access

justice issues

# TYPES OF LAW CLINICS

**2 main types**

**litigation clinics**

**provide legal advice**

**take on litigation**

**assist with litigation**

**policy clinics**

**inform policy**

**advocate for legal reform**

## TYPES OF ACTIVITIES

**interview clients**



**develop strategies**



**make presentations**



**supervision**



**undertake research**

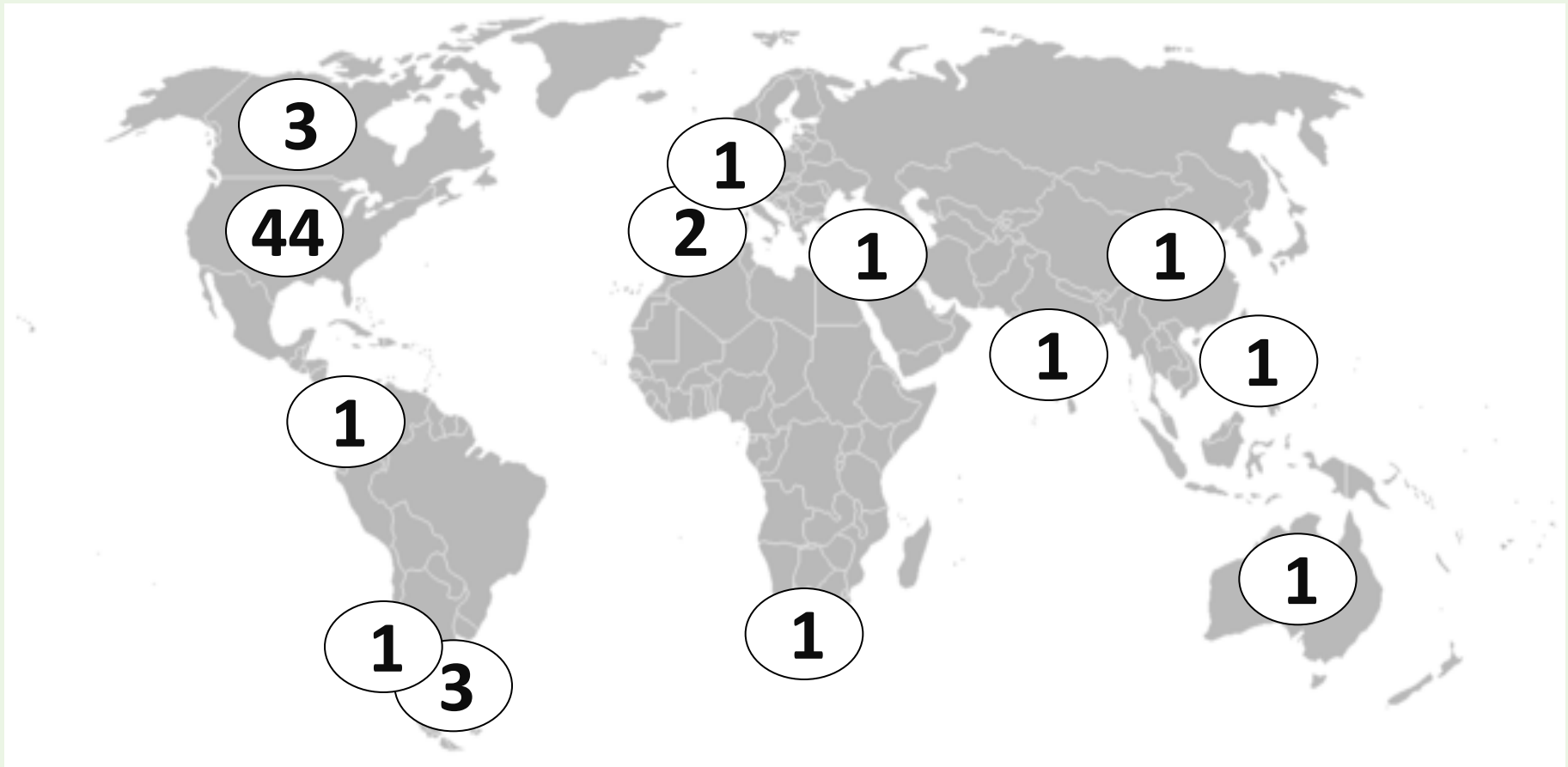


**draft documents**



**represent clients**

# GROWTH OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CLINICS



# MODELS OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CLINICS IN USA

in university

**law firm model**

litigation

in university

**co-counsel model**

litigation

outside university

**in-house counsel model**

litigation

in university

**think tank model**

policy

# **SCOPING THE VIABILITY/FORM OF A LAW CLINIC**

- **Type & Model**
- **Resources**
- **Location**
- **Funding**
- **Management Structure**
- **Compulsory/voluntary programme**
- **Associated coursework**
- **Managing partners**
- **Choosing matters/issues/cases/clients**

# STRETCH & SHARE YOUR MINDS





# THE QUESTIONS



## THE QUESTIONS...

### QUESTION 1

**What is the potential for establishing an environmental law clinic in your institution?**

### QUESTION 2

**What factors would inform the form/nature/location of your environmental law clinic?**

**BUT BEFORE YOU DO SO...**

**Clinical Programs at the PUC Law School**

