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Sreejith, S.G.

Viikari, L.


Joona, T.

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9-10.1. NIEM organised the final seminar of its "climate governance in the Arctic"-project, which is a Finnish Academy funded project that will have as its final outcome a book published by an international publisher.

11.1. Timo Koivurova, Carina Keskitalo and Nigel Bankes (the editors of the CIGSAC book) had a whole day meeting to take further the editorial process.

1.2 Timo Koivurova participated in the meeting of the directory board of the Arktis graduate school.

24.1.-31.3. Lotta Viikari acted as the Professor of Private International Law and Comparative Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Lapland.

5-6.2. Timo Koivurova - together with Kamrul Hossain - participated in the kick-off meeting of Arctic TRANSFORM an EU project where we are project partners.

10-13.2. Timo Koivurova was invited to the seminar where the external experts briefed the WWF arctic programme of the developments in arctic governance, in order to help them with their arctic strategy-making.

11.-22.2. Lotta Viikari lectured on Private International Law and Comparative Law at the University of Lapland.

14.2. Timo Koivurova was invited to a climate change seminar where a presentation was given by the IPPC chair Pachauri, who recently received a Nobel peace prize.

15.2. Merja Pentikäinen represented NIEM - with the advice from Timo Koivurova - in the first meeting of the new Consultative meeting group on human rights issues, ihmisöikeusasioiden neuvottelukunta (IONK).

21.2. Tanja Joona participated to a joined seminar of Luleå university and Faculty of Social Sciences called: “Challenges and prospects for the Northern Development.”

27.2. Timo Koivurova presented the research work in NIEM to the rectors of the University of the Arctic.

28.2. Timo Koivurova presented the research work in NIEM to the Arctic parliamentarians.

28.2. Timo Koivurova participated in the discussion over the continental shelf claims made by Arctic states and the possibility for an arctic treaty in a meeting participated by both Arctic parliamentarians and UArctic rectors (he also prepared a 3-page discussion paper to promote the discussion).

7.3 Tanja Joona and Juha Joona gave a public lecture in Kven-seminar in Tromsø, Norway.
10.-14.3. Lotta Viikari lectured on Public International Law at the University of Lapland.

14.3. NIEM staff participated in the public international law seminar in the faculty of law.

17.-20.3. Lotta Viikari lectured on Private International Law and Comparative Law at the University of Lapland.

25.3. European Masters Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation folks with the leader professor Markku Suksi came again to meet us, and a mini-seminar was organised with two presentations from the EMA students (9 participants from NIEM).

25.-28.3. Lotta Viikari lectured on International Environmental Law in the Arctic at the University of Lapland.

30.3. Timo Koivurova - together with the NIEM's mining law working group - received the A.E.Nordenskiöld Grant from the Lapland Cultural foundation

3.4. Timo Koivurova acted as the second opponent (the first being Professor Kari Hakapää) of the licenciate thesis of Mikko Vartiainen.

3.4. NIEM researcher Mikko Vartiainen defended his licenciate thesis, the general theme being the resource sovereignty of local people, the case study being the upper part of Finnish Lapland.

6-7.4. NIEM scholars participated in the annual seminar of the Arktis graduate school. Timo Koivurova participated in the directory board of the graduate school in the evening of 6.4.

10.4. NIEM organised a study-circle session with Professor Thilo Marauhn from the University of Giessen giving a presentation on Co-operation between multilateral treaty bodies.

18-19.4. NIEM planning trip to Ylläs

23.4. Steering Committee meeting of the AC

24.4. Telephone conference over the organisation of the polar law symposium

8-12.5. NIEM scholars (Timo Koivurova, Kamrul Hossain, Mika Flöjt and Lotta Viikari) participated in the EU-Canada working meeting in Halifax Canada.

13.5. NIEM has during this week visitors (Barry Barton and Debra Barton) from New Zealand, and 13.5 Timo Koivurova introduced NIEM to them and Debra Barton told about Nunavut planning commission where she had worked for some years. Professor Barry Barton is one member of the NIEM's mining law research project.

Maarit Klemetti represents Finland in EU-China human rights seminar in Slovenia.
13-15.5 Waliul Hasanat attended the 20th Arctic Research Consortium of the US (ARCUS) Annual Meeting and Arctic Forum 13-15 May 2008, Washington DC, USA. The participation in the conference and the Congressional Briefing organized in the Russell Senate Office Building (US Senate) was facilitated by a scholarship awardee by the (ARCUS), also presented a poster entitled ‘The Future of the Arctic Council in view of the Incoming Climate Change’.

14.5. Mika Flöjt and Kamrul Hossain accompanied Debra and Barry Barton to see mining sites around Kuusamo region.

Timo Koivurova gave a presentation in Helsinki in the seminar celebrating the 100th anniversary of Finnish Academy of Science and Letters.

15.5. Mining law seminar

16.5. Helsingin sanomat came to interview professor Koivurova about NIEM activities.

19.5. Timo Koivurova gave a presentation in the Thule institute organised seminar on the Northern Dimension of the EU on the continental shelf claims made in both poles.


22.5. The first meeting of the GEOPOLITIKK-NORD research programme to which Timo Koivurova was invited as a member of the evaluation committee.

27-29.5. The second meeting of the Arctic transform EU-US project, with working group chairs in Washington DC. - NIEM participants were Kamrul Hossain and Timo Koivurova.

9.6. 9th Study-circle, where Anita Dey-Nuttall presented on policy issues related to Antarctica and discussion with 11 persons ensued.

10.6. Meeting about the possible co-operation with regional environmental centre and road administration regarding transboundary EIA

01.7 – 30.9. Kamrul Hossain has supervised Ms. Sanni-Maria Pisto Lopéz in the process of writing her Master’s thesis: “Canada’s Offshore Oil and Gas Resources: Legislation, Policies and Initiatives”, Masters in Environmental Technology and Management (2008), De Montfort University, U.K. Kamrul Hossain also has evaluated and graded the thesis. The report was sent to De Montfort University accordingly.

13.8. Timo Koivurova participated in the Steering committee of the Arctic centre meeting.

20-23.8. Lotta Viikari has attended the 38th Nordic Lawyers’ Meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark.

1.8. NIEM was able to send in the stage 2 contributions on offshore hydro and indigenous peoples to the Arctic transform project.
13.8 Timo Koivurova participated in the meeting of the Steering Committee of the AC.

22.8. Tanja Joona participated to the Foreign Ministry’s Jubileum seminar in Arctic Centre, Rovaniemi.

25.8 Henna Tervo participated in the indigenous peoples working group meeting teleconference as part of the Arctic transform.

1.9. NIEM was able to deliver the first manuscript of Climate Governance in the Arctic to the Springer publishing company.

1.9. Timo Koivurova participated in the Steering Committee of the AC.

5-11.9. Timo Koivurova was invited as speaker to the polar law symposium in Akureyri Iceland.

7-9.9. Timo Koivurova participated in the first polar law symposium in Akureyri Iceland (he was one of the organisers of the symposium). In the same meeting, the agreement for polar law yearbook was signed and Timo Koivurova and Prof. Gudmundur Alfredsson start as editors-in-chief of this new publication by Brill Academic Publishers.

11-12.9. Kamrul Hossain and Henna Tervo participated in the second meeting of EU commission funded Arctic transform project.

16.9. Timo Koivurova and Kamrul Hossain organised a teleconference with other co-directors of our EU Commission funded project on comparing the ocean governance policies of EU and Canada.

17.9. Timo Koivurova hosted criminal law professor Ivan Yakovlevich Kozachenko (and court official Julia Viktorovna Radosteva) from the State Ural Academic University, together with Prof. Leena Lehtinen, in Arktikum building.

17.9. Timo Koivurova gave a presentation to a group of newspaper journalists about the on-going research projects of the NIEM.

25-26.9. NIEM organised a mining law seminar with participants from 4 countries in the Arktikum building.

29-30.9 Kamrul Hossain and Henna Tervo participated in the Seminar on ‘Consequences of Climate Change for Policy Making in the Nordic Countries’, a Nordic Consortium Project, Sogndal, Norway.

2.10. NIEM received a new Erasmus intern Sebastien Duyck from the University of Iceland - he will be working in NIEM projects plus doing his masters thesis for the University of Iceland masters programme during the next half a year.

3.10. NIEM had a staff meeting at 14.
13.10. Timo Koivurova presented Arctic Centre and NIEM activities to the highest level official in the Ministry of Finance, Raimo Sailas, together with other faculties and institutes of the University of Lapland.

Week 42 2008 Canada Research Chair on Oil and Gas visited the NIEM as part of our EU-Canada project.

20.10. Timo Koivurova participated as a member of the Arctic centre team to the budget negotiations with the University.

24.10. The tenth seminar by the study-circle “Rescued by International Law”.

26.10. – 2.11. Kamrul Hossain has participated in the Dialogue of future Asian leaders – ‘Building A Better Asia Retreat’ – held in the Peking University, Beijing, China.


30-31.10. Timo Koivurova participated in the shipping symposium in Tromsø, Norway where he made a presentation on the topic "Arctic Council role in shipping".

2.10 – 5.11. Kamrul Hossain has given a guest lectures on ‘Post-modern approach towards international law of collective security’ in the Harbin Institute of Technology, Harbin, China.

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11.-13.11. Tanja Joona interviewed ministers and members of the parliament in regard to ILO Convention No. 169, in Helsinki.

13.11. NIEM organised the third telemeeting of the co-directors of our EU-Canada project.

24.11. Kamrul Hossain has given a presentation to the Canadian Embassy delegation team in Arctic Centre on the projects and activities of Northern Institute for Environmental and Minority Law.

25.11. The eleventh seminar by the study-circle “Rescued by International Law”. NIEM researcher Sebastien Duyck gave a presentation on where the negotiations over future greenhouse gas emissions are currently at and where they are likely to lead-...

2.12. Timo Koivurova and Kamrul Hossain participated in the 3. teleconference of FP 7 programme proposal. Timo Koivurova participated in the Arctic Centre board meeting.

4-5.12. Timo Koivurova and Kamrul Hossain participated in the NIEM co-ordinated Commission funded project comparing the integrated ocean policies of Canada and EU respectively (Brussels 4-5.12)
16.12. Lotta Viikari, Kamrul Hossain, Sreegith S. G. and Waliul Hasanat participated to the Seminar on the occasion of the retirement of Professor Maurice Andem and attended the ceremony.

Merja Pentikäinen represented the NIEM at the Advisory Board for International Human Rights Affairs (Ihmisoikeusasiain neuvottelukunta) set up by the Finnish Government.