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IUCN ACADEMY OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAW (IUCNAEL or the “ACADEMY”)

The IUCN Academy of Environmental Law is a network of some 200 Law schools from more than 50 countries across the globe that share a commitment to the advancement of teaching and research in environmental law. It is uniquely positioned to build environmental law education capacity and promote the conceptual development of environmental law. Its Secretariat is based at the Law School, University of Maryland in the USA. The Academy is completely independent of IUCN in terms of its governance and finances, but works closely with IUCN’s Environmental Law Centre, based in Bonn, and its World Commission on Environmental Law, to advance IUCN’s Environmental Law Program.

The Academy recognizes that environmental legal education is a vital contributor to the rule of law and to the robust environmental governance essential for sustainable development and seeks to advance these goals through:

- Development and delivery of programs aimed at building university teaching capacity in environmental law;
- Generation of global research programs with major partners to feed into national and international environmental law and policy agendas; and
- Convening major international conferences and exchange through the efforts of its Secretariat and its electronic communications.

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