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**The Network for the Advancement of Justice, Governance and Law for
Environmental Sustainability**

**1st Meeting of the International Advisory Council for the Advancement of
Justice, Governance and Law for Environmental Sustainability**

7 December 2012, Washington DC, USA

**Open Session: Collaboration and Synergies in the Implementation of the Rio+20 Declaration
on Justice, Governance and Law for Environmental Sustainability**

15.00 – 17.30

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Miranda Room

3:00 pm – 3:10pm: Welcome Remarks and Session Objectives

- *Sherry Tross, Executive Secretary for Integral Development,
Organization of American States*
- *Bakary Kante, Director, UNEP Division of Environmental Law and
Conventions*

**3:10pm – 4:00pm: Advancement of Key Principles on Justice, Governance and Law for
Environmental Sustainability.** *This discussion panel will focus on collaboration to advance the
implementation of key principles on Justice, Governance and Law for Environmental
Sustainability addressing issues such as the non-regressive nature of environmental laws, public
participation and enabling conditions for environmental sustainability.*

- *Chaired by Arnold Kreilhuber, UNEP, Division of Environmental Law and Conventions*

Discussants:

The Honorable Justice Tan Sri Arifin Bin Zakaria, Chief Justice of Malaysia

The Honorable Justice Winston Anderson, Caribbean Court of Justice

Scott Fulton, General Counsel United States Environmental Protection Agency

4:00pm – 5:10 pm: Stakeholders' Roles in Supporting Institutional Framework. *This discussion
panel will address interactions and collaboration towards supporting the institutional framework
from the national to the global level enhancing the role of the International Advisory Council in
promoting the continued engagement of Chief Justices, Attorneys General, Heads of Jurisdiction,
Chief Prosecutors and Auditors General, the institutions they represent and other components of
the legal and enforcement chain.*

- *Chaired by Claudia de Windt, Chief, Environmental Law, Policy and Good Governance
Section, OAS Department of Sustainable Development*

Discussants:

Professor Edith Brown Weiss, Georgetown University

The Honorable Justice Antonio Herman Benjamin, Judge of the High Court of Brazil

Scott Vaughan, Commissioner for Sustainable Development, Canada

5:15pm – 5:30pm: Close of Discussion

- *Amy Fraenkel, Director, UNEP Regional Office for North America*

6:00pm – 8:00pm: Evening Reception and Book Launch at the Art Museum of the Americas to mark the Inauguration of the International Advisory Council for the Advancement of Justice, Governance and Law for Environmental Sustainability.
