

## NORMANDY CHAIR FOR PEACE

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In these times of COVID, the Normandy Chair for Peace - Future Generations Law is adapting and continuing many of its activities on different continents on-line.

## GLOBAL PEACE FORUM

The third edition of the World Peace Forum, organized by the Normandy Region, will take place on October 1st and 2nd at the Abbaye aux Dames in Caen. The Normandy Chair of Excellence for Peace, launched and supported by the Normandy Region, the CNRS and the MRSH (CNRS - University of Caen Normandy) invites you to attend.

***The Reasons for Anger: Social, Democratic and Environmental Issues for Peace (Plenary)***

October 1st (9:30am - 12:45pm)

The COVID19 pandemic has added to global warming and the increase in inequalities throughout the world to create a particularly anxiety-provoking context. It has increased the feeling of mistrust towards national and international institutions and superimposed it on the feeling of declassification for a part of the population, making social links even more fragile. While health, environmental and social issues appear to be more interconnected than ever, the transition to a more sustainable and environmentally friendly economy calls into question the current model. Demonstrations of citizen anger are being expressed on all continents to demand solutions that meet the challenges. The rise of violence, identity-based tensions and extremist temptations are all threats to peace, both on a local and international scale. What answers can be formulated to make a success of our transition to a sustainable development model(s) that guarantees peace?

With notably :

- **ANTONIO OPOSA** (Leader of the Normandy Chair for Peace): live exchanges with the young participants of the Walk the Global Walk program around the SDG n°13
- **DAVID BOYD** (UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and the Environment)
- **ANTÓNIO GUTERRES** (UN Secretary General),
- **NICOLAS HULOT** (Former Minister of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy),
- **YANN ARTHUS-BERTRAND** (Photographer, filmmaker and president of the GoodPlanet Foundation),
- **JANE GOODALL** (Founder of the Jane Goodall Institute & United Nations Messenger of Peace)...



- **Amazonia: a global issue (Debate)**

October 1st (5:30 - 7:00 pm)

With the **CACIQUE NINAWA**, **ÉMILIE GAILLARD** (General Coordinator of the Normandy Chair for Peace), **FRANÇOIS MICHEL LE TOURNEU** (geographer, CNRS), **CÉLINE COUSTEAU** (environmental activist and documentarian) Moderators: **GERT PETER BRUCH** (Amazon Planet) and **ÉMILIE GAILLARD**

Considered as the lung of the planet, the Amazon crystallizes divergent interests. A vast virgin space essential for the future of humanity, it also constitutes an economic manna from which several countries intend to profit, including Jair Bolsonaro's Brazil, which calls for the respect of its national sovereignty. What solutions do environmental law and international organizations offer to preserve this unique natural resource? What is the place of indigenous peoples in these discussions?



The conferences will be available live on the Facebook page @NormandyForPeace. They will also be available in the resource center of the Normandy for Peace website

## PUBLICATION

To be published in October: Legal Actions for Future Generations: Normandy Chair for Peace Collection. **ÉMILIE GAILLARD & DAVID M. FORMAN** (eds), Peter Lang.

This book is the first in the Normandy Chair for Peace series and is dedicated to legal action on behalf of future generations. This first copy, published in English, will be followed by a French version. It provides a broad overview of the potential of a transgenerational approach to law: in the defense of human rights or the rights of nature

rights or the rights of nature, in fields as varied as sustainable human health, pesticides, and nuclear damage. Other avenues, prospective, of damage to the integrity of the human species are also open, notably under the effect of the rise of a transhumanist narrative that raises questions.



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## HAWAII CONSERVATION CONFERENCE

On September 3, 2020, Normandy Chair for Peace member **DAVID M. FORMAN** presented at the Hawai'i Conservation Conference, the Chair and the forthcoming book Legal Actions for Future Generations (Peter Lang Publishing 2020). This book is the first volume in the Normandy Chair for Peace series, a multidisciplinary investigation of the rights of future generations and peace with the Earth. The collection strives, among other things, to ensure coherence between the various transformations underway in international, regional and national legal systems to establish sustainable protection of the environment, environmental rights and the future. Accordingly, the book fits perfectly with the theme of the conference, **OLA KA'ĀINA MOMONA: Managing for Abundance**.

In addition to introducing the book and the impressive number of contributing authors, **DAVID M. FORMAN's** presentation began with an introductory video by co-editor Emilie Gaillard and ended with another video celebrating the recent launch of the Good stories movement by Chair leader **ANTONIO OPOSA**.

Part 1. Exploring Theoretical Frameworks for Applying Intergenerational Equity

Part 2. The Nuclear Industry and the Rights of Future Generations

Part 3. Protecting Future Generations Through Climate Justice Litigation

Part 4. Prospective Legal Actions on Behalf of Future Generations?

Part 5. Protecting the Human Condition of Future Generations, a New Legal Question?

Part 6. The Imperative to Look Forward

## INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

### ANIMAL SENTIENCE. LEGAL APPROACHES AND TRANSDISCIPLINARY ISSUES. (October 23 - CAEN)

Because our vision of the world is changing and because scientific knowledge is also evolving, animal sentience has become a real object of multidisciplinary research. This international symposium will bring together personalities from all horizons: ethology, biologists, philosophers, lawyers... around the central question of animal sentience. The law is not left out and must now deal with this new vision of the world: taking into account this animal sentience means extracting the non-human living being from the legal category of objects. Consequently, a mutation of the fundamental legal categories is currently at work in order to set up new legal mechanisms of protection of the animal. Peace with the Earth also means renewing and expanding our vision of the world and protecting animals in a different and better way. The Normandy Chair for Peace supports this international event and intends to relay on an international scale the imperative need to legally respect non-human living beings, starting with the consideration of animal sentience. Scientific Director: **ALOÏSE QUESNE** (Léon Duguit Research Center, University of Evry Val d'Essonne, associated with the Demolombe Institute (UNICAEN).

<https://sensi-animale.sciencesconf.org/>



## VIDEOS

• **At the break of dawn** by Antonio Oposa (Chair leader) <https://bit.ly/3iYPpN>

• **The Good Stories Movement** <https://bit.ly/3iYLqWl>

• **Sharing the Earth, doing justice** - Round table with Émilie Gaillard (General Coordinator of the Chair), The Sustainable Development Meetings <https://chairepaix.hypotheses.org/1459>





## MANILA BAY HEROES AWARD (PHILIPPINES)

An award ceremony was hosted by Antonio Oposa on September 19 in Manila, Philippines.

To highlight what is good, what is right and what is bright, we showcase ordinary people doing extraordinary work to clean up what was once the dirtiest body of water in the world. And then we share their Good stories with the world to inspire and ignite many hearts.

<https://chairepaix.hypotheses.org/1495>

## I AM CLIMATE JUSTICE

CLIMATE JUSTICE: YOUTH LEAD THE WAY

An online event was organized on September 25th by World Youth for Climate Justice (WYCJ), a youth movement for climate justice.

The goal of the event is to:

- raise awareness of the reality of human rights challenges compromised by climate change
- highlight the campaign to seek an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice, which would be a profound legal breakthrough for more concerted climate action worldwide
- launch the new global WYCJ movement.

The I am Climate Justice movement, spearheaded by Tony Oposa with the support of the Normandy Chair for Peace, has joined the World Youth for Climate Justice movement. A UNGA 75 side event was organized online.

On the occasion of this event Antonio Oposa gave his support alongside David Boyd, UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and the Environment and Ambassador Ralph Regenvanu of Vanuatu.

More info at facebook

Du 21 au 24 octobre 2020, un grand rendez-vous international sur le web mettra à l'honneur 10 good stories par région du monde et sera retransmis. <https://chairepaix.hypotheses.org/lettres-de-recommandation>



## GOOD STORIES

The Good Stories have been one of the Chair's main focuses since its inception. **ANTONIO OPOSA** is expanding it even further by launching the Good Stories movement in association with Professor David Boyd, United Nations Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and the Environment, and Mr. Andy Raine, member of the United Nations Legal Service for Environmental Protection.

«We are going to explore a new path and change the course of the too often negative stories and honor the success stories» says Antonio Oposa. The Chair sends letters of congratulations to those who build peace with the Earth, those who care for the Earth, the air and the water. For example, a letter was sent to the Prime Minister of Pakistan who hired tens of thousands of unemployed people to plant trees in barren mountains. On the small island of Bentayan, Indonesia, where a 50-square-meter edible garden was created, after receiving a congratulatory letter from the Chair, the plot was expanded to 20,000 square meters in less than 30 days.

From October 21st to 24th, 2020, a major international web event will feature 10 good stories per region of the world and will be broadcasted.



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<https://www.youtube.com>



La Chaire d'excellence Normandie pour la Paix, Droits des générations futures a été lancée et est soutenue par la Région Normandie et le CNRS. Cette chaire, dispositif de recherche innovant, est portée et animée par la MRSH CNRS - Université de Caen Normandie.