



PERMANENT MISSION OF ROMANIA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS



Permanent Mission of Peru
to the United Nations



The Permanent Mission of Portugal
to the United Nations



Event co-organised by the Permanent Missions of Romania, Peru, Portugal and Türkiye to the United Nations

Conclusions following the Sixth Committee Debates on the 2023 Work of the International Law Commission's Study Group on "Sea-level rise in relation to international law"

Tuesday, 31 October 2023, 13.15 -14.30

Venue: Permanent Mission of Romania to the UN, 573-577 3rd Avenue, New York, NY 10016

This year, the International Law Commission's Study Group on "*Sea-level rise in relation to international law*" focused again on the law of the sea aspects related to sea-level rise. During the UN International Law Week, held in New York during 23-27 October 2023, the UN Member States were called to express their positions on the activity of the Study Group and of the ILC on this topic, as presented in Chapter VIII of the Annual Report of the ILC.

The event will represent an excellent opportunity for the Co-Chairs of the ILC Study Group on "*Sea-level rise in relation to international law*" to present the progress on this topic during the 2023 session of the International Law Commission, and especially their assessment of the national positions included in the statements of the UN Member States regarding this year progress of this topic. Based on this assessment, the Co-Chairs will be able to preliminarily frame the main activity lines of the Study Group for the next two years.

The basis of the Study Group's debate in 2023 was the *Additional Paper to the First Issues Paper of 2020* (<https://legal.un.org/docs/?symbol=A/CN.4/761>), issued by the Commission on 20 April 2023, elaborated by Professors Bogdan Aurescu and Nilufer Oral.

Speakers:

Professor Bogdan Aurescu, Co-Chair of the ILC Study Group on "*Sea-level rise in relation to international law*" (Romania)

Professor Nilüfer Oral, Co-Chair of the ILC Study Group on "*Sea-level rise in relation to international law*" (Türkiye)

Professor Patrícia Galvão Teles, Co-Chair of the ILC Study Group on "*Sea-level rise in relation to international law*" (Portugal)

Professor Juan José Ruda Santolaria, Co-Chair of the ILC Study Group on "*Sea-level rise in relation to international law*" (Peru)