



**HIGH-LEVEL SIDE EVENT:  
Accountability for Environmental Violations and Crimes:  
Advancing a More Global and Inclusive Approach to  
International Environmental Law**

**Friday, 27 September 2024 | 1:15-2:45pm | Conference 5, UNHQ**

The Governments of the **Antigua and Barbuda**, the **Republic of the Philippines**, and the **Republic of Vanuatu**, together with the **Atlantic Council Strategic Litigation Project**, **Debevoise & Plimpton LLP**, and the **International Union for Conservation of Nature World Commission on Environmental Law (IUCN)** cordially invite you to a **high-level side event** on the margins of the UN General Assembly.

The high-level side event, titled **Accountability for Environmental Violations and Crimes: Advancing a More Global and Inclusive Approach to International Environmental Law** will be held on **Friday, 27 September 2024 from 1:15 – 2:45 pm EST at Conference Room 5, United Nations Headquarters.**

The high-level side event will focus on the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea’s landmark May 2024 advisory opinion on the international legal obligation to mitigate climate change and will explore upcoming opportunities to facilitate the potential progressive development of environmental crimes under international law, including through a more global and inclusive approach to international legal processes.

The esteemed panelists will address linkages between the pending climate justice proceedings and ongoing legal discussions around environmental violations and core international crimes, including the proposals to incorporate environmental crimes such as “environmental degradation” and the “exploitation of natural resources” in the potential crimes against humanity before the UN General Assembly Sixth Committee.

Please RSVP at <https://bit.ly/EnviCrimesAccountability> by **25 September 2024**. To attend, you will need a valid UN grounds pass or Special Event Ticket **AND** non-VIP delegates will need a secondary meeting ticket. We will reach out to you in due course with the details on how to obtain the meeting ticket to facilitate your delegations’ entry to the conference building.