

Speakers – Short Biography

Mr. Michael Mehling – Center for Energy and Environmental Policy Research (CEEPR), Massachusetts Institute for Technology



Michael Mehling is Deputy Director of the Center for Energy and Environmental Policy Research (CEEPR) at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and a Professor at the University of Strathclyde School of Law. Previously, he was President of the Ecologic Institute in Washington DC, an environmental think tank with partner offices in Berlin and Brussels, and held research and teaching appointments at Georgetown University and the Universities of Greifswald, Helsinki and Constance.

An attorney by training, Michael focuses on legal and institutional aspects of energy and environmental policy, including market-based instruments for climate change mitigation. He has helped conceptualize and implement EU outreach and capacity building efforts on emissions trading, including as Team Leader of the the EU ETS Summer University project (2012-2014), has advised on and facilitated capacity building courses for the World Bank, and worked as a judicial clerk trainee at the German Emissions Trading Authority (DEHSt). Currently, he co-chairs the Carbon Pricing Leadership Coalition (CPLC) Research Conference on Carbon Pricing as well as its Scientific Committee.

Past publications include the edited volumes *Improving the Clean Development Mechanism: Options and Challenges Post-2012* (Lexxion, 2011), *Climate Change and the Law* (Springer, 2013), and *The Green Market Transition: Carbon Taxes, Energy Subsidies and Smart Instrument Mixes* (Edward Elgar, 2017). Additionally, he served as editor of two reference manuals on emissions trading, the World Bank Partnership for Market Readiness (PMR) and International Carbon Action Partnership (ICAP)'s *Emissions Trading in Practice: A Handbook on Design and Implementation* (IBRD, 2016), and ICAP's *Guide to Linking Emissions Trading Systems* (ICAP, 2018). Since 2007, he has been the Editor-in-Chief of the *Carbon & Climate Law Review*, the first academic journal focused on legal aspects of climate change and the carbon market.

Contact information: mmehling@mit.edu

Mr. Alexander Handke – Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMUB)



After his vocational training in industrial business management Alexander studied law at Ernst-Moritz-Arndt Universität in Greifswald and completed his practical legal preparatory service at the Court of Appeal in Berlin (Kammergericht Berlin). Alexander has been involved in EU ETS, greenhouse gas mitigation projects and other climate related policies since 2004. At the Germany Ministry for Environment (BMUB) he is responsible for bilateral and international cooperation on emissions trading, capacity building and linking. Prior to joining BMUB in 2017 he has been working with the German Environment Agency/German Emissions Trading Authority for seven years and a German law firm specialised on energy and environmental law for six years. Alexander is an expert on the legal aspects of emissions trading with specific capabilities in MRVA. As well as MRVA, he has a sound understanding of auctioning, allocation, registry development and the role of ETS in the policy mix. Alexander has contributed to various ETS capacity-building activities and courses in different contexts.

Contact information: Alexander.Handke@bmu.bund.de

Ms. Eunjung Kim – Korea Legislation Research Institute (KLRI)



Ms. Eunjung Kim is a Team Manager/Senior Research Fellow for Climate Change Research Team at Korea Legislation Research Institute (KLRI). Prior to her role at KLRI, she served as a Legal Specialist at the Ministry of Justice (2010 – 2011), Researcher at BK21 SKKU Global Business Group (2006 – 2007) and Senior Researcher at the Institute for Comparative Legal Studies, SKKU.

Ms. Eunjung received a Doctor of Law from Sungkyunkwan University (Korea) in 2011; a Master of Law in Banking and Finance from Boston University (U.S.) in 2008; and a Master of Law and a Bachelor of Law for Sungkyunkwan University (Korea) in 2004 and 2001 respectively. She also received the Award from the Minister of the Ministry of Environment in 2017 and the Third Award from the Mock Trial hosted by the Fair Trade Commissions in 2012.

Ms. Eunjung's publication includes, among others, *A Strategy for the Implementation of Commitments under the UNFCCC for Sustainable Development* (2017); *Study on Accounting Standards for Emissions Allowances and Social Welfare Effects* (KLRI, 2014); *Study on Legislation regarding the Linking of the International Carbon Market* (KLRI, 2012-2013) and *Study on Legislation regarding the Climate Change and the Activation of Creative Economy* (KLRI, 2013).

Contact information: callej@klri.re.kr

Mr. Pitaya Pramotvoraphan – Pollution Control Department (PCD), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment



Mr. Pitaya is the Director of Legal Division at the Pollution Control Department, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment. He also serves as the member and assistant secretary of the Sub-committee on drafting of ministerial regulations issued under the provisions of Promotion and Conservation of National Environmental Quality Act B.E.2535 and the Committee on natural resources and environmental law revision, as well as the member of the legal development Committee of the Office of Natural Resources and Environmental Policy and Planning.

Mr. Pitaya received a Bachelor of Law from Ramkhamhaeng University and a Graduated Diploma in Public Law from Thammasat University.

Contact information: pitaya.p@pcd.go.th

Mr. Sunthron Kewsawang – Department of Industrial Works (DIW), Ministry of Industry



Mr. Sunthron is the Director of Legal Division at the Department of Industrial Works, Ministry of Industry, and has worked on enforcement of factory law since 1998.

Mr. Sunthron holds a Bachelor of Law, Bachelor of Public Administration, and Barrister-at-law from Thai Bar Association. He has extensive experience as a speaker and lectures on factory law for government agencies, academic institutions, as well as, the private companies.

Contact information: sunthron.k@diw.mail.go.th

Mr. Pongpan Vorasayan – Department of Alternative Energy Development and Efficiency (DEDE), Ministry of Energy



Mr. Pongpan currently serves as Acting Director of Technical Section of the Bureau of Energy Regulation and Conservation, Department of Alternative Energy Development and Efficiency (DEDE), Ministry of Energy. His main responsibilities include regulating implementation of designated factory and building in compliance with Energy Conservation Promotion Act B.E.2535 and related law, as well as promoting development of energy management system, M&V, Code of Practice, and managing database system to facilitate energy management of designated factories and buildings.

Mr. Pongpan received a Bachelor of Engineering from King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang and a Master and PhD from Loughborough University, U.K.

Contact information: pongpan_v@dede.go.th

Mr. Somboon Kitiyansub – Norton Rose Fulbright (Thailand) Limited



Somboon is head of Bangkok practice of Norton Rose Fulbright (Thailand) Limited. His practice includes environmental laws, corporate and finance work, with an emphasis on banking, mergers and acquisitions, asset finance and corporate recovery. He has broad experience of structuring and negotiating acquisitions, joint ventures and other financing documents. His practice also includes insolvency, business reorganisation, debt restructuring and workouts and general advice on private sector participation in government projects.

Somboon graduated with a Bachelor of Laws degree from Chulalongkorn University and a Master of Laws degree from the University of Iowa.

Somboon has involved and led in several greenhouse gas mitigation projects since 2010 including the proposed establishment of Thailand Carbon Fund and related regulatory framework issues with Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organisation (Public Organization) and advising Thai CDM project to private sectors.

Somboon and his team are currently working with Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organisation (Public Organization) on a study to propose the legal framework for establishing the Emissions Trading Scheme in Thailand (a project supported by the World Bank).

Contact information: somboon.kitiyansub@nortonrosefulbright.com

Mr. Thosaphol Thurongkinanonth – Norton Rose Fulbright (Thailand) Limited



Thosaphol Thurongkinanonth is a lawyer of Norton Rose Fulbright (Thailand) Limited based in Bangkok. Thosaphol focuses on environmental, energy, corporate and general commercial law. His practice also includes advising private sector participation in government projects. Thosaphol graduated with a Bachelor of Laws degree from Thammasat University (with Honours).

Thosaphol is currently assisting Somboon on a study to propose the legal framework for establishing the Emissions Trading Scheme in Thailand (a project supported by the World Bank).

Contact information: thosaphol.thurongkinanonth@nortonrosefulbright.com