



TRACY BACH

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PROFILE

Expert in climate change law and policy with over 10 years of experience in international negotiations; professor of law and public policy, with focus on service learning; international consultant, teacher, and presenter.

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota Law School, J.D. *cum laude* 1994

- 1994 Steven M. Block Prize for Best Paper in Civil Rights and Civil Liberties of Graduating Senior
- Articles Editor, MINNESOTA LAW REVIEW
- 1993 Minnesota Law Review Volume 35-36 Award for Best Student Article
- Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition Team, First Place, Best Brief, and Second Best Oralist in Central Region and Third Best Brief in International

University of Minnesota Humphrey School of Public Affairs, Master of Public Policy (MPP) 1994

New York University in Paris, M.A. coursework in French Language and Culture, 1984-85

Yale University, B.A. *cum laude* 1984

EXPERIENCE

Washington University | Visiting Professor, 2019-present

Co-teach interdisciplinary course on International Climate Negotiations to undergraduate, graduate, and professional students.

>> **Lead graduate/professional student support of least developed country Party delegation to engage in the negotiations.**

>> **At COP25, produced pre-COP briefing memos, daily COP meeting notes, on-site oral briefings, and post-COP outcomes analysis.**

RINGO | Co Focal Point, 2017-present

Lead the Research and Independent NGO (RINGO) Constituency of the UNFCCC with Secretariat staff and leadership, COP Presidencies, and Parties to the negotiations.

>> **Represent more than a thousand institutional members in monthly meetings with COP26 UK Presidency-Elect, COP26 Science Engagement Team, and UNFCCC Open Channel with Executive Secretary Espinosa.**

>> **Doubled members' participation in constituted body meetings during last two years; now supporting them to lead constituency statements and thought leadership on areas of expertise.**

Tuck Business School, Dartmouth College | Advisor, 2019 Climate Change Ecosystem Deep Dive

Prepared and led MBA student observer delegation to COP25, sponsored by Tuck's Center for Business, Government, and Society, and Revers Center for Energy.

>> **More than 10% of graduating class expressed interest in this new offering, with one-third of them accepted given enrollment limit.**

>> **Deep Dive students gave it a Net Promoter Score of 100%.**

LANGUAGES

- First language is English
- Fluent in French
- Familiar with Spanish, Italian, German

United Nations | Consultant, 2017-2019

UN Development Programme (UNDP): COP23 debrief and Multilateral Environmental Agreements Workshops, 2017.

UN Environment (UNEP): Workshops on COP24 preparation, 2018, and mainstreaming Paris Agreement Implementation Guidelines, 2019.

>> Worked with Myanmar to secure \$30,000 grant for 2019 consulting that embedded me in environmental ministry providing on-site assistance while also offering series of detailed, hands-on workshops with relevant staff on Paris Agreement implementation guidelines.

IUCN | Environmental Law Workshop Teacher

Conducted teach-the-teachers workshops for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) in Yangon, Myanmar, 2018, and Chongqing, China, 2013.

Vermont Law School | Professor of Law, 1996-2019

Taught courses on Climate Change Law and Policy, International Climate Change Law, International Environmental Law, Genocide, Environmental Health Law, Health Law & Public Policy, Torts, Legal Profession, Appellate Advocacy

Faculty Fellow, U.S.-Asia Partnerships in Environmental Law, 2014-2019

Head of Delegation, COP Observer Delegation, 2013-2019

>> Selected 10 JD, LLM and Masters students each year (from 20-50 applicants) for full semester course that prepared them for on-site support of least developed country Party at the COPs. Developed partnership with country Party, matching their capacity-building needs with curriculum objectives. Student evaluations averaged 1-1.5 on a 5-point system.

Director, International and Comparative Law Program, 2017-2018

>> Increased academic and social support for directly enrolled international students, while doubling enrollment of VLS students in exchange programs in one year.

>> Established first grant program to defray student travel costs for international programs; stewarded donor to continue fund support.

>> Supervised program coordinator, managed \$150,000 budget, and collaborated with registrar, financial aid, admissions, vice-dean of students, and vice-dean of academic affairs on international program needs and contributions to academic life.

Fulbright Scholar, Université Cheikh Anta Diop, Dakar, Sénégal, 2009-2010

>> Obtained grant from Berkman Center at Harvard University to develop Wiki Droit Senegalais at UCAD faculty research center.

>> Advised students on masters theses and grant opportunities for further education; mentored environmental law student organization on their first world environment day program.

Associate Director & Senior Research Fellow, Climate Legacy Initiative, 2007-2009

>> Supervised program coordinator, developed and managed \$250,000 budget, responsible for all aspects of white paper publication and dissemination.

>> Researched and wrote key chapters, and recruited and supported contributing authors from academia and think tanks.

Visiting Professor, 2003-2015

- Qatar University College of Law
- Université de Paris 13 Faculté de Droit
- Université Nationale du Rwanda Faculté de Droit
- Petrozavodsk State University

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

(Full list <https://climateengagement.law.blog/about/>)

- Chapter in CONDUCTING RESEARCH AT GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL NEGOTIATIONS (Maripoldata and European Research Council, forthcoming from Cambridge University Press)
- Chapter in TEACHING AND LEARNING IN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW (Edgar Elgar, 2021)
- Blog, Engaging Climate Change <https://climateengagement.law.blog/>
- Human Rights in a Climate Changed World: The Impact of COP21, Nationally Determined Contributions, and National Courts, 40 VT. L. REV. 561 (2016)
- COP21: Will a Paris Agreement [Decrease] [Solve] [Do Nothing On] Climate Change?, VT. J. OF ENV. L. 2016 Top Ten Environmental Watch List
- Turning the Corner in Lima: The Language of Differentiation and the 'Democratization' of Climate Change Negotiations, ETHICS, POLICY, ENVIRONMENT (Fall 2015)
- Recalibrating the Law of Humans with the Laws of Nature: Climate Change, Human Rights, and Intergenerational Justice (CLIMATE LEGACY INITIATIVE, 2009)
- Panelist, What do policymakers want from climate researchers? Royal Geographical Society of London (January 2020)
- Panelist, Hill Staff Briefing on COP25, House Committee on Foreign Affairs and EESI, Washington DC (November 2019)
- Presenter, International Climate Change Negotiations and Qatar, Qatar Ministry of Environment, Department of Climate Change (March 2015)
- Keynote, What's Climate Change Got to Do With It?, Best Practices & Knowledge Management Environmental Fair, Global Environment Facility (GEF) Small Grants Programme (SGP), College of the Bahamas (November 2014)
- Keynote, Climate Change in the 21st Century: Challenges and Responses, West African Research Center (WARC), Dakar, Senegal (April 2013)
- Keynote, Balancing Global Energy Needs with Health and Environment Needs, University of Iowa's Global Health Studies Program Conference on Energy and Environmental Health (October 2012)
- Panelist, Intergenerational Equity and Climate Change, European Youth Forum Side Event, COP15, Copenhagen, Denmark (December 2009)