

**UNIJURIS SEMINAR**  
**ON**  
**EXTRATERRITORIALITY IN PORT STATE JURISDICTION**

DIVERGING APPROACHES TO THE REGULATION OF GLOBAL VALUES WITHIN THE LAW OF THE SEA REGIME

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Port states regulate, directly or indirectly, conduct occurring beyond their territory. Through port state jurisdiction, the territorial link that exists between a visiting foreign vessel and the port state is sometimes used as a trigger to extend the jurisdictional reach and effects of port state laws. This possibility is used for the regulation of shipping and fishing vessels, namely aimed at preventing pollution from vessels, fighting illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, and improving labour conditions. Port states therefore act to enhance global values such as the protection and preservation of the marine environment, the conservation and management of marine living resources, and the advancement of adequate labour conditions. Whilst that possibility is normally aimed at upholding the applicable international rules and standards, there has been an increasing number of unilateral initiatives aimed at going beyond those compromises. This seminar analyses the different approaches to developing standards towards the protection of global values in the law of the sea regime.

The seminar is divided into four thematic panels. Within each panel, two speakers are given 15 minutes each to present their papers, followed by a commentator introducing the debate. The expected result of this seminar will be an academic journal special edition featuring the articles submitted by the presenters and coverage of the debate. The presentations shall be recorded for online distribution.





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### PROGRAM

#### Welcome and Introduction:

11:00 – 11:10: Welcoming of participants

11:10 – 11:30: Introductory words by **Prof. Cedric Ryngaert**:

*The UNIJURIS Project as a Contribution to the Law of the Sea Doctrine*

#### Presentations and Discussions:

**Session I: Approaches to port state extraterritoriality in the international shipping sector**

Chair: **Prof. Fred Soons** (Utrecht University)

11:30 – 11:45: **Prof. Robin Churchill** (University of Dundee)

11:45 – 12:00: **Dr. Bevan Marten** (University of Wellington)

12:00 – 12:30: **Debate** (kick off by **Prof. Joanne Scott**, University College London)

12:30 – 13:30: **Lunch break**



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**Session II: Approaches to port state extraterritoriality in the international fishing sector**

Chair: **Dr. Seline Trevisanut** (Utrecht University)

13:30 – 13:45: **Dr. Andrew Serdy** (University of Southampton)

13:45 – 14:00: **Ms. Judith Swan** (International consultant on fisheries law, policy and institutions) [TBC]

14:00 – 14:30 **Debate** (kick off by **Prof. Erik Molenaar**, Utrecht University)

14:30 – 14:50: **Coffee break**

**Session III: Advancing adequate labour conditions through port state extraterritoriality**

Chair: **Prof. Alex Oude Elferink** (Utrecht University)

14:50 – 15:05: **Dr. Cleopatra Dombia-Henry** (World Maritime University, Malmö)

15:05 – 15:20: **Dr. Laura Carballo Piñeiro** (Universidad de Santiago de Compostella)

15:20 – 15:50: **Debate** (kick off by **Prof. Frans Pennings**, Utrecht University)

15:50 – 16:10: **Coffee break**

**Session IV: New realms for port state extraterritoriality and theoretical debates**

Chair: **Prof. Cedric Ryngaert** (Utrecht University)

16:10 – 16:25: **Mr. Nelson F. Coelho** (Utrecht University)

16:25 – 16:40: **Mr. Arron N. Honniball** (Utrecht University)

16:40 – 17:10: **Debate** (kick off by **Prof. Henrik Ringbom**, Oslo University)

17:10 – 17:30: **Concluding remarks**

17:30 – 18:00: **Drinks**