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Call for abstracts: Law Beyond Boundaries: innovative mechanisms for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity beyond national jurisdiction

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Hosted by the Australian and New Zealand Society of International Law (ANZSIL)
Oceans and International Environmental Law Interest Group
in association with
the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security at the
University of Wollongong

This workshop will provide an opportunity to discuss a broad range of legal issues associated with biodiversity beyond national jurisdiction and ongoing discussions at the United Nations General Assembly on the potential development of a third Implementing Agreement on this topic under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

The workshop aims to address the following question: How can international law be used in innovative ways to effectively conserve and sustainably manage marine biological diversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction? We welcome abstracts relating to this general question, and in particular encourage a focus on one of the following themes underpinning ongoing discussions on a prospective international legally binding instrument:

- integrated oceans management and options to achieve it
- creative options to resolve the tension between the prospective Agreement and existing relevant legal instruments and global, regional and sectoral bodies
- governance framework and institutional mechanisms, including the promise and limits of regional versus global approaches
- the application of legal terms and concepts to areas beyond national jurisdiction

The workshop aims to combine a broad array of law and policy perspectives from around the region. It will seek to draw on the expertise and ideas of a variety of contributors, including both early and established scholars and practitioners, to provide the broadest range of insights and input into these important issues.

Please send a 500 word abstract and short biography (not more than two pages in total) to: anzsil@anu.edu.au by **Wednesday 30 November 2016**. Successful speakers will be advised by **Wednesday 14 December 2016**.

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