

Rivers, Seas, Energy: Cross-Border Governance of Strategic Resources

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University of Trieste, Androna Campo Marzio 10, Sala Atti "Arduino Agnelli", 29th of May 2026, 9.00-19.00

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Opening Session

Presentation: Prof. **BRUNA ŽUBER**, University of Ljubljana — Faculty of Law (PF); Prof. **ANDREA CRISMANI**, University of Trieste — Department of Political and Social Sciences (DiSPeS); Prof. **DARIO ĐERĐA**, University of Rijeka — Faculty of Law (PRAVRI — **Opening the XII ICERNA: A Trilateral Conversation**

Introduction, Prof. **GIACOMO BIASUTTI**, University of Trieste (DiSPeS) — **The Governance of Strategic Resources: Legal Frameworks, Institutional Choices, and Emerging Challenges**

Morning Session — Session I (10.00-12.30)

Chair: Judge **ALEN RAJKO**, PhD, Administrative Court in Rijeka, Republic of Croatia

Hydroelectric Power Plant Mokrice: Dominance of Public Interest and Environmental Impacts, Judge **VALENTINA RUSTJA**, Head of the Department of Nova Gorica, Administrative Court of the Republic of Slovenia

Construction and Management of Multipurpose Water Infrastructure in Croatia: Experience and Challenges, Judge **ANTUN ŽAGAR**, PhD, President of the Administrative Court in Rijeka

The Italian Higher Public Water Court: Institutional Framework and Jurisdiction, Judge **MARCELLO M. FRACANZANI**, Italian Supreme Court of Cassation, Tax Section; former Full Professor of Administrative Law

Afternoon Session — Session II (14.00 - 16.00)

Chair: Judge **JASNA ŠEGAN**, President of the Administrative Court of the Republic of Slovenia

Water as a Strategic Resource and Constitutionally Protected Value: Two Founts in the Case Law of the Slovenian Constitutional Court, Prof. **MATEJ ACCETTO**, PhD, University of Ljubljana — Faculty of Law; former President of the Constitutional Court of Slovenia

Offshore Wind and Floating Solar: Authorisation Procedures and Public Interest in the Energy Transition, Prof. **GAETANO ARMAO**, PhD, University of Palermo — Department of Political Sciences and International Relations

Aqua publica or Exclusive Use — Rethinking Croatian Hydroenergy Concessions in Light of Roman Water Law?, Prof. **INES MATIĆ MATEŠKOVIĆ**, PhD, University of Rijeka — Faculty of Law

Final Session — Session III (16.00 – 18.00)

Chair: prof. **ANNARITA IACOPINO**, University of Trieste (DiSPeS) — **Introducing the Research Framework for Early-Career Scholars**. Emerging young researchers from Italy, Croatia, and Slovenia present their work on the governance of strategic resources.

Public Interest in the Electricity Sector: Between Sustainability and Security, **EVA RUŽIĆ**, mag. iur., PhD Candidate and Assistant, University of Rijeka — Faculty of Law

The Public-Private Partnership Model in the Energy Sector, **MARIA VITTORIA CAROBOLANTE**, PhD Candidate and Assistant, University of Trieste — Department of Engineering and Architecture (DIA)

How Much Protection Can the Energy Transition Afford? Legal Challenges of Hydropower Development in Slovenia, **NEJC URANKAR**, PhD Candidate and Teaching Assistant, University of Ljubljana — Faculty of Law

Closing Remarks

Cross-Border Governance and Strategic Resources: A Concluding Reflection, **UMBERTO ZUBALLI**, Past President of the Administrative Court for Friuli Venezia Giulia, ICERNA Co-Founder

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- I- 10.05.2013 - *Le azioni e il giudicato, effettività della tutela in Italia e in Slovenia*
- II- 21.03.2014 - *EU principles in administrative law. Croatia, Italy and Slovenia: experiences compared*
- III- 19.03.2015 - *Evidence in the administrative process. Croatia, Italy and Slovenia: experiences compared*
- IV- 18.03.2016 - *Water, energy, infrastructure: common jurisdiction for common goods*
- V- 03.03.2017 - *Refugees, migrants, foreigners: legislation in comparison*
- VI- 25.05.2018 - *Healthcare treatment abroad? For a cross-border public health service in the northern Adriatic Euroregion*
- VII- 19.03.2021 - *The limits to freedom of economic initiative in the EU: between (absence of) commercial planning and protection of historic centres*
- VIII- 20.05.2022 - *Fundamental principles and special anti-Covid legislation: comparative experience*
- IX- 05.05.2023 - *Social needs and the Administrative Court: rights and expectations*
- X- 05.04. 2024 - *Maritime Governance: Legal Frameworks and Administrative Jurisdiction (Croatia, Italy and Slovenia: experiences compared)*
- XI- 13.06.2025 - *Cross-Border Innovations in Administrative Justice*