

CALL FOR PAPERS

14th Joint Seminar of the European Association of Law and Economics and The Geneva Association

“Law and Economics of Natural Hazard Management in a Changing Climate”

Innsbruck, 24-25 February 2011

The 14th Joint Seminar of the International Association for the Study of Insurance Economics (the Geneva Association) and the European Association of Law and Economics (EALE) will take place at the Leopold-Franzens-University in Innsbruck on 24-25 February 2011.

The main topic of this seminar will be “**Law and Economics of Natural Hazard Management in a Changing Climate**”. Any papers dealing with the integrated legal and economic issues of catastrophe risks and climate change are invited. Special consideration will be given to papers that address the issues of

- *Strategies of Adaptation to Climate Change*, including economic and legal rationales for precautionary adaptation policies, efficacy and enforceability of adaptation programmes at different levels of governance.
- *Insurance of Natural Hazards and Climate Change*, including issues of insurability, standardisation and quality control of climate modelling, risk management solutions, markets and the role of the State, etc.
- *International Institutional Comparison of Risk Management Systems for Extreme Events*, encompassing all elements of the disaster management cycle, including private prevention, resilience infrastructures and institutions of risk transfer such as catastrophe funds.
- *Comparison of Different Instruments of Natural Hazard Management and Insurance*, including efficacy and enforceability of the different elements of the disaster management cycle, e.g., public risk information, re-location of existing settlements, purpose and limits of risk classification, experience rating, etc.
- *Liability for Natural Hazards and Climate Change*, including issues of attribution, standards of care owed by private entities and the State, as well as remedies (in particular damage assessment).

Abstracts should be submitted by **15 September 2010** for review by a scientific board at the University of Innsbruck. **Full papers** are due by **31 January 2011**. A selection of papers from the seminar will be invited for publication in *The Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance — Issues and Practice*.

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