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# § Freshwater ecosystems in protected areas: effective protection through nature conservation law §

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> November 2014 ¶

Time: 10.30-12.00 am ¶

Place: Hub 2 Room ¶

Session organized by Volker Mauerhofer on behalf of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law ¶

**About the event:** A panel discussion on the continuing evolution of legal mechanisms for freshwaters in protected areas. Speaker will discuss a range of innovative regulatory approaches that are replicable and balance conservation with human needs for freshwater ecosystems¶

## Themes and speakers:¶

1. → *A "Convention Check" in a freshwater National Park: a bottom-up approach for better implementation of conservation-related MEAs¶*

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2. → *Protecting Freshwater Ecosystems¶*

**Professor Ben Boer**, Deputy Chair, IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law, Emeritus Professor in Environmental Law, Australian Centre for Climate and Environmental Law, Sydney Law School¶

3. → *The UN Watercourses Convention entry into force: Implications for Protected Areas.¶*

**Dr. Lydia Slobodian**, IUCN Environmental Law Centre in Bonn, Germany¶

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