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Management and Law**

Defund Meat Conference

Wed. 15 – Fri. 17 January 2025

Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany
and online via [Zoom](#)

Conference Programme

As of 8 January 2025

Wednesday, 15 January 2025:

Public launch event, 8 pm

Venue:

Deutsch-Amerikanisches Institut ([DAI](#)), Heidelberg

Speaker:

Prof. Katharina Pistor (Columbia Law School)
Organising for Change: Towards a New Paradigm for Meat
Governance (lecture & panel discussion)
Organisieren für Wandel: Auf dem Weg zu einem neuen
Paradigma für Fleisch Governance

Discussants:

Anne Peters, Saskia Stucki

For further information please visit the conference [website](#).

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Thursday, 16 January 2025: Conference Day 1

Venue: Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law (MPIL), Heidelberg

Time	Format	Speaker(s)	Topic	Session Moderator
08:30-09:00	Registration			
09:00-09:15	Introduction	Dr. Saskia Stucki ZHAW	Defund Meat: A Research and Policy Agenda	Prof. Anne Peters MPIL
09:15-09:45 09:45-10:15	Keynote talk Discussion	Prof. André Nollkaemper University of Amsterdam	The Shape of Things to Come: International Legal Foundations of Transformative Global Meat Governance	
10:15-10:45	Coffee break			
10:45-11:05 11:05-11:25	Talk Discussion	Prof. Kristen Stilt Harvard Law School	Meat and Zoonotic Disease	Dr. Saskia Stucki ZHAW
11:25-11:45 11:45-12:05	Talk Discussion	Dr. Marco Springmann University of Oxford	The Environmental Impact of Meat and the Role of Dietary Change	
12:05-13:30	Lunch			
13:30-13:50 13:50-14:10	Talk Discussion	Prof. Odile Ammann University of Lausanne	How the Sausage Is Made: Lobbying by the Meat Industry	Jun.-Prof. Dr. Lucia Sommerer University of Halle-Wittenberg
14:10-14:30 14:30-14:50	Talk Discussion	Prof. Jennifer Jacquet University of Miami	Exxon Knew. Did Tyson, Too? Comparing the Climate Responsibilities of Industrial Oil and Gas Producers with Industrial Meat and Dairy Producers	
14:50-15:10 15:10-15:30	Talk Discussion	Cleo Verkuijl Stockholm Environment Institute	Is Meat the New Oil? Lessons from Fossil Fuel Governance for Meat Governance	
15:30-16:00	Coffee break			
16:00-17:30	Panel discussion	Prof. Charles Godfray (Oxford Martin School) Dr. Stefan Mann (Agroscope) Prof. José Martínez (University of Göttingen) Dr. Friederike Schmitz (Philosopher)	Transformative Meat Governance for Human, Animal, and Planetary Health	Dr. Marie-Hélène Peter-Spiess University of Zurich
17:30 or later	Working dinner			

Friday, 17 January 2025: Conference Day 2

Venue: Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law (MPIL), Heidelberg

Time	Format	Speaker(s)	Talk / Paper	Session Moderator
8:45-9:00	Arrival at MPIL			
09:00-09:20	Talk	Dr. Lukas Fesenfeld ETH Zurich University of Bern	The Political Economy of Meat System Transformation	Dr. Saskia Stucki ZHAW
09:20-09:40	Discussion			
09:40-10:00	Talk	Dr. Nicolas Treich Toulouse School of Economics	Meat, Money and Externalities: The Case for an Animal Welfare Levy	
10:00-10:20	Discussion			
10:20-10:45	Coffee break			
10:45-11:05	Talk	Dr. Laura Burgers University of Amsterdam	Transforming the Meat Industry Through Environmental Litigation	Dr. Felix Aiwanger MPI Hamburg
11:05-11:25	Discussion			
11:25-11:45	Talk	Dr. Rebecca Williams University of Glasgow	Transforming the Livestock Sector Through Climate Change Mitigation Law	
11:45-12:05	Discussion			
12:05-12:25	Talk	Prof. Einat Albin Hebrew University Jerusalem	Transforming the Meat Industry Through Labour Law and Rights	
12:25-12:45	Discussion			
12:45-14:15	Lunch break			
14:15-14:35	Talk	Prof. Kirsi-Maria Halonen University of Lapland, University of Turku	Leveraging Public Procurement Law to Promote Meat-Free Meals	Prof. Anne Peters MPIL
14:35-14:55	Discussion			
14:55-15:15	Talk	Prof. Cesare Romano Loyola Law School, Los Angeles	The Human Right to Science and Cultured Meat	
15:15-15:35	Discussion			
15:35-15:55	Talk	Dr. Elisabeth Bürgi Bonanomi University of Bern	Animal Production Related Subsidies and Tariffs in Trade Regulation: Current and "Reimagined"	
15:55-16:15	Discussion			
16:15-16:45	Coffee break			
16:45-17:45	Keynote talk	Prof. Cass Sunstein Harvard Law School	Meat-free Nudges	Dr. Saskia Stucki ZHAW
17:45-18:00	Closing remarks	Prof. Anne Peters MPIL		