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**From:** David Carlson [mailto:davidcarlson824@gmail.com]  
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Dear friends of the Ethics and Ecological Economics (EEE) Forum,

Details of our first monthly Forum this fall are falling into place. On **Monday, September 14th**, we will meet at 2:00pm in Room 412 at the Sturm College of Law on the DU campus. Our topic will be "International Law Perspectives on Climate Change Ethics."

Two outstanding professors from Sturm will address this timely topic:

**Ved Nanda** is Past President of the World Jurist Association and now its honorary president; he is also counselor of the American Society of International Law and a member of the advisory council of the United States Institute of Human Rights. The Ved Nanda Center for International and Comparative Law "hosts programs for lawyers, students and community participants as well as promoting scholarship in the field of international law."

Professor Nanda will address our topic primarily from his vantage point as editor of *Climate Change and Environmental Ethics* (New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction, 2011). A scanned copy of his chapter, "Climate Change, Developing Countries, and Human Rights: An International Law Perspective," is attached.

**Don Smith**, former Director of the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program, will speak about "Justice and Climate Change" from an international law perspective. He will consider what modifications might be needed to make legal systems more responsive to the coming impacts of climate change.

Professor Smith will draw upon findings from a 2014 task force report by the International Bar Association, "Achieving Justice and Human Rights in an Era of Climate Disruption." The full report (265 pages) is attached; the Executive Summary, Recommendations and Action Matrix comprise 31 pages.

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Please keep in mind our guiding questions for this session:

*What does it mean to think “ethically” about climate change? What can international law contribute to an understanding of climate change “justice”? Does climate change justice necessarily involve addressing human rights issues?*

As always, feel free to forward this information to others who might be interested. A one-page overview of the purpose, structure, and brief history of the EEE Forum is attached. Also, let me know if you no longer wish to receive notices of future Forum sessions. RSVPs are not required but are appreciated.

Best regards,

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