

Speaker Biographies – Young ELF/Young UKELA seminar on International Environmental Law

Caroline Bush is a Senior Associate in the Environment team at Osborne Clarke. Her principal area of expertise includes advising clients on all environmental aspects of complex corporate and real estate transactions, waste and bioenergy projects, infrastructure projects as well as climate change, biodiversity and sustainability regulation and waste producer responsibility law. As part of the Osborne Clarke's Decarbonisation team, she works with clients to help them tackle the carbon challenge, for example by discussing their approach to ESG or by considering the impact of net zero targets on their business. She also works closely with the Planning team on areas such as biodiversity net gain.

Joanna Smallwood has a long-standing interest in nature conservation and law. She worked in the legal department at Friends of the Earth and as a solicitor at Leigh, Day & Co. in London, with a particular interest in environmental law multi-party actions. Joanna's ESRC funded PhD was on the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity's Aichi Targets in the UK and she recently completed an ESRC/SENNS funded post-doctoral fellowship at Sussex University also with a focus on implementation of international biodiversity law. She has close affiliations with the 'Re-thinking Biodiversity Governance' network, an international think tank for transformative biodiversity governance. As well as working on her forthcoming book: *Implementing International Environmental Law* (Routledge), Joanna's research focuses on transformative global governance of biodiversity and of food production and consumption

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