WILD LAW FRIENDLY ORGANISATIONS

The **UN Harmony with Nature Programme** promotes Earth Jurisprudence and the legal recognition of Nature’s Rights from within the UN. Here is a link to the Resolutions of the General Assembly and their Interactive Dialogues. They also host a Knowledge Network bringing together experts from different disciplines around the world, and offer much more.

The **IUCN**, the world’s largest conservation organisation, has approved resolutions that explicitly recognise “the rights of nature as a fundamental and absolute key element in all IUCN’s areas of intervention and decision making” (Recitals, paragraph 6, Resolution 89; 2016 referring to Resolution 100; 2012). Additionally, rights of nature has been included in the IUCN 2017-2020 Programme stating, “IUCN also aims to secure the rights of nature and the vulnerable parts of society through strengthening governance and the rights-based approach to conservation” (III, pp. 15-16).

**Nature’s Rights** is an organisation dedicated to establishing Nature’s Rights in law, society and the hearts of people. They have initiated a European Citizens Initiative (ECI) to propose Nature’s Rights to the EU legislative agenda (see Draft Directive) as well as citizens initiatives in other parts of the world. For more information see this article and TEDx talk, and issue 94 of e-law, UKELA’s newsletter.

The **Earth Law Alliance** is an organisation whose primary aim is to accelerate the development and implementation of laws and governance systems that recognise the interconnectedness of all life. Its members comprise lawyers and non-lawyers from different countries who take a cross-disciplinary approach.


The **Earth Law Center** is an organisation based in the USA who focuses on building a global force of advocates for Rights of Nature.

The **Center for Earth Jurisprudence** is an organisation inspired by the writing of Thomas Berry based in Florida. They focus on advancing law and policy that will reflect a true respect for Nature.

The **CELDF** (Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund) is a Community Rights Movement of pioneers who have successfully worked with communities in the USA to create local legislation in over 36 municipalities (eg. Santa Monica and Pittsburgh) that recognise the inherent Rights of Nature.

The **AELA** (Australian Earth Laws Alliance) proposes to create human societies that live within their ecological limits, respect Rights of Nature and nurture the health of the wider Earth community.