The aim of this Symposium is to identify legal principles for the governance of public goods based on the notion of Responsibility, such as Trusteeship, Guardianship, Kaitiakitanga. A proposal for the governance of water by Sir Eddie Taihakurei Durie will provide a specific case study example. Considerations will be expanded for stewardship of global commons and climate commitments for COP21. Prospects for research and strategic implementation will be identified.

Keynote speakers include:

Sir Eddie Taihakurei Durie was formerly Chief Judge of the Māori Land Court, Chairperson of the Waitangi Tribunal, and High Court Judge of New Zealand. H.H Tupua Tamasese Tupuola Tufuga Efi is Samoa’s Head of State. He served as Prime Minister of Samoa from 1976 to 1982 and again later in 1982. Pierre Calame (France) served as CEO for the Charles Léopold Mayer Foundation for Human Progress from 1988 until 2009, and subsequently as Chair of the Board. Working with the Institute of International Law, Collège de France in preparation for COP21. Dr Kapua’ala Sproat is Associate Professor in Law and Director, Environmental Law Clinic, University of Hawaii at Manoa, School of Law. Dr Adrian Macey was New Zealand’s first climate change ambassador, from 2006-2010, responsible for international climate change negotiations, coordination of international policy and domestic outreach. In 2011 he served as Chair of the UNFCCC Kyoto Negotiations. Currently he is at the Institute of Governance and Policy Studies, Victoria University. Taholo Kami has worked closely with the Center for Ocean Solutions to develop the Pacific Ocean Initiative. He is currently the Regional Director of the Oceania program of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) based out of Suva, Fiji.

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Symposium registration fee (excluding accommodation) - $230 incl GST.

There is no call for papers as the Symposium is designed to engage with the Keynote presentations. However papers may be submitted for a Symposium proceedings publication.

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