Shaping the Next Generation of Australian Climate Litigation

Thursday 17 November, 2016
10 am – 3.30 pm
Melbourne Law School, Level 9, Room 920

9.30 Coffee & Registration

10-10.30 Introduction & Update on US election implications - Jacqueline Peel & Hari Osofsky

10.30-11 Roundtable Discussion
- What is ‘next generation’ climate litigation?
- What are the drivers and barriers for next generation climate litigation?
- How does it interact with first generation litigation?

11-11.15 Coffee Break

11.15 -1.15 Avenues for Next Generation Climate Litigation
- What are the emerging options?
- How do these compare with previous climate litigation models?
  - Public Trust Doctrine & Rights-based Litigation (drawing on US experience) – Hari Osofsky, University of Minnesota
  - Corporations / Securities law avenues – Sarah Barker, MinterEllison
  - Adaptation Litigation going forward – Tayanah O’Donnell, University of Canberra
  - Reflections on Queensland Coal Litigation – a continuing role for statutory & administrative avenues? – Sean Ryan, EDO Qld

1.15-2.15 Lunch

2.15 – 3.15 Taking Next Generation Climate Litigation Forward
- Using climate change science in litigation - David Karoly, University of Melbourne
- Procedural issues, courts, substantive causes of action, building networks – Ariane Wilkinson, Environment Justice Australia
- Strategic partnering / facilitative litigation – Anita Foerster, University of Melbourne

3.15 – 3.30 Wrap-up & Coffee