

SUMMARY REPORT

12 May 2026

EU Webinar. Law for the climate crisis Humans, animals and a sustainable future

On Tuesday 12 May 2026, the EU Webinar “Law for the climate crisis Humans, animals and a sustainable future” was held at Fu Jen Catholic University, School of Law, starting at 3.45 p.m. and lasting for 90 minutes. With 29 persons signing up for the event, the actual number of participants turned out to be 23. The geographic background of the audience was very diverse, covering both the EU (e.g. France, United Kingdom) as well as Asia (e.g. Taiwan, Korea), including not only current students from FJU but also international exchange students, alumni, faculty members, and even professional experts from outside the university.

The lecture delivered by Professor Dr. Stephen Minas provided a structured and comprehensive overview of the climate crisis, with a particular focus on the international legal framework and applicable EU laws. Importantly, the presentation also highlighted the significance of nonhuman animals in this context, notably their role as contributors, victims and solution-providers to the climate challenge. In a unique way, the presentation was not limited to the conveyance of academic and scientific knowledge, it also illuminated various approaches to climate justice, relevant Catholic Social Teachings, and the need to integrate the concept of One Health in a more systemic manner.

Practical questions concerning international law, EU law, climate law and animal law were further discussed in the Q&A session. In her concluding remarks, Associate Professor Dr. Yen-Lin Agnes Chiu compared the EU’s ambitious climate targets with the legal situation in Taiwan and pointed out how latest developments in the EU might affect domestic standards in the future (e.g. best practices linking agricultural subsidies with sustainable farming and animal welfare; stricter import controls vis-à-vis third countries).

As a result, this webinar has clearly contributed to the overall mission of Fu Jen Catholic University to promote holistic education. Concurrently, it serves the objective of incorporating UN Sustainable Development Goals into school curricula. Considering the interest and positive feedback from external participants, this event is, last but not least, fully aligned with the university’s corporate social responsibility to serve the broader society in general. Special thanks to all who helped make this event a success!

A video recording is available to the public under the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pXie-gTArIg>

總結報告

2026 年 5 月 12 日

全英語線上講座 EU Webinar 「人類、動物與永續的未來」

2026 年 5 月 12 日，全英語線上講座 EU Webinar 「人類、動物與永續的未來」在輔仁大學法學院舉行，下午 3 點 45 分開始，持續 90 分鐘。本次活動共有 29 人報名，實際到場人數為 23 人。與會者地理分佈廣泛，涵蓋歐盟（例如法國、英國）和亞洲地區（如台灣、韓國），不僅包括輔仁大學的在校學生，還包括國際交換生、校友、教職員工，甚至還有來自校外的專業人士。

Stephen Minas 教授的講座全面地概述氣候危機，重點關注國際法律框架和適用的歐盟法律。講座也強調非人類動物在此背景下的重要性，尤其它們作為氣候挑戰的促成者、受害者和解決方案提供者的角色。本次講座不僅傳授學術和科學知識，還闡述了應對氣候正義的多種途徑、相關的天主教社會訓導，以及系統性地融入「同一健康」理念的必要性。

問答環節進一步探討了有關國際法、歐盟法、氣候法和動物法的實際問題。邱彥琳副教授在總結演講中，將歐盟雄心勃勃的氣候目標與台灣的法律現狀進行了比較，並指出歐盟的最新發展可能會如何影響台灣的國內標準（例如，農業補貼與永續農業和動物福利相結合的最佳實踐；對第三國實施更嚴格的進口管制）。

因此，本次線上講座顯然有助於輔仁大學推動全人教育的使命，同時也助於聯合國永續發展目標納入學校課程。鑑於外部參與者的興趣和正面回饋，本次活動也符合大學服務於更廣泛社會的社會責任。特別感謝所有為本次活動的成功舉辦做出貢獻的人們！

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pXie-gTARlg>