

RESEARCH CLINIC

General information

Supervisor:	Bernardo Ribeiro de Almeida
Title of clinic:	Land rights, law and climate change.
Number of students:	2
Major (<i>if applicable and approved by the Major Convener</i>):	IJ and GED
(Pre)requisites (<i>if applicable</i>):	Curiosity and enthusiasm

Research context

Climate change is the biggest global challenge, and its impacts are especially serious in fragile countries, affecting primarily the poorest. While there is growing awareness of the links between climate change and land rights (e.g., displacement, dispossession), studies have largely ignored the role of law in enabling but also hindering state-led climate change responses. Moreover, the magnitude and urgency of this issue demands research that can easily feed into the work of policymakers.

Through this research clinic I aim to obtain a comprehensive literature review on this topic, and explore paths for future research, including identifying gaps in the literature and interesting case studies. The research will (a) be directly connected with a current research project that I'm developing in Ethiopia and Mozambique; (b) establish the basis for a upcoming collaboration with Ministry of Justice in Timor-Leste on the issue of evictions; and (c) feed into future research proposals.

Students' tasks and activities

Please specify the tasks and activities, timeline, the learning aims and how they are assessed, i.e. what the deliverables will be.

Tasks and activities: Students are expected to conduct a literature review on the topics highlighted above. We will meet weekly to discuss the research progress and ideas for further research, and students will also participate in meetings with other co-researchers.

Timeline: block 3 (06/02/2023 to 31/03/2023).

Deliverables: Report with literature review and analysis of paths for future research. The work of students will be acknowledged in future research informed by this report.