On 3 December 2018, the Secretary General’s first report ever on the state of international environmental law was published (A/73/419), providing a technical and evidence-based report identifying and assessing possible gaps in international environmental law and environmental-related instruments with a view toward strengthening their implementation. What findings in this historic report could strengthen the Sustainable Development Goals, while not undermining existing international legal instruments and frameworks and relevant global, regional and sectoral bodies? What general principles of international environmental law support multilateral environmental agreements, for example in light of Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change’s Special Report “Global Warming 1.5° C” (October 2018)? What synergies exist between environmental agreements and other international regimes? Senior experts will assess the report, prepared pursuant to Res. 72/277 “Towards a Global Pact for the Environment.”

Discussions will be moderated by PROF. NICHOLAS A. ROBINSON (International Council of Environmental Law)
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