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Civil law liability for extractive industry activities 805 (EIL 805)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Law
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

The objective of this module is to equip students with a thorough understanding of the legal and policy concepts shaping civil liability for activities pertaining to extractive industries. Topics include: (a) The general principles of the law of delict and specific areas of civil liability risk for extractive industries including general international civil liability trends, class actions, "piercing the corporate veil", civil liability for SHE incidents and for competition law contraventions; (b) Principles of product liability; (c) Evolving climate change civil liability concepts; (d) Civil liability dimensions of unconventional extraction methods such as hydraulic fracturing and coal bed methane extraction.

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