



# Northeastern University

## School of Law

### CONFERENCE ON THE GLOBAL REGULATION OF NANOTECHNOLOGIES

**Boston, Massachusetts**

**May 7-8, 2010**

Convened by Makane M. Mbengue (University of Geneva) &  
Sonia E. Rolland (Northeastern University School of Law)

#### **PRELIMINARY PROGRAM OVERVIEW** **(current as of April 2010)**

##### **Friday May 7, 2010**

8:30 – 9:15 am      *Registration, Continental Breakfast*

9:15 – 9:30 am      Welcome and Introduction: Sonia E. Rolland

##### **9:30 – 11:00 am      Panel 1: Domestic Regulation of Nanotechnologies**

- Moderator: Jacqueline Isaacs, Northeastern University College of Engineering
- Diana Bowman, University of Melbourne
- Linda Breggin, Environmental Law Institute
- Mario Norberto Baibich, Ministry of Science and technology, Brazil;  
Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil
- Rick Reibstein, Massachusetts Office of Technical Assistance, Executive Office  
of Energy and Environmental Affairs

11:00 – 11:15 am      *Coffee Break*

**11:15 – 12:45 pm      Panel 2: From Labs to Markets: The Commerce of Nanotechnologies**

- Moderator: Rosanna Garcia, Northeastern University College of Business Administration
- Dr. Paul Schulte, Manager, NIOSH Nanotechnology Research Center
- Ahmed Busnaina, Northeastern University, Director of the NSF Center for Microcontamination Control and the Center for High-Rate Nanomanufacturing
- Dr. Mike Knowles, Vice President, Global Scientific and Regulatory Affairs for Coca-Cola, Chairman of the CIAA Nanotechnology Task Force
- Pat Roy Mooney, Executive Director, ETC Group, Canada
- Seth Coe-Sullivan, Co-Founder and Chief Technology Officer, QD Vision

1:00 – 2:30 pm      *Lunch*

**2:30 – 4:00 pm      Panel 3: Global Intellectual Property Issues for Nanotechs**

- Moderator: Susan Montgomery, Northeastern University of School of Law and College of Business Administration
- Rob Lindefeld, General Counsel and Chief IP Counsel, Nantero
- Don Featherstone, Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox
- Chinh Pham, Greenberg Traurig, LLP

4:00 – 4:15pm      *Coffee Break*

4:15 – 5.15 pm      **Keynote Address: Christopher J. Bosso**, Professor and Associate Dean School of Public Policy and Urban Affairs; Editor, [\*Governing Uncertainty: Environmental Regulation in the Age of Nanotechnology\*](#). Resources for the Future / Earthscan Press, 2010.

**Welcome and introduction by Emily A. Spieler**, Dean, Northeastern University School of law

5:30 – 6:30 pm      *Drinks reception on site*

**Saturday May 8, 2010**

**9:30 – 11:00 am    Panel 4: Intergovernmental Solutions: Building a Coherent Transnational Framework for Nanotechnologies**

- Moderator: Sonia Rolland, Northeastern University School of Law
- Jeffery Morris, EPA Director of Nanotechnology
- DaeYoung PARK, Secretary General of Korea Environmental Council in Europe and Managing Partner of Young & Global Partners
- Gary Marchant, Arizona State University
- Gabi Eigenmann, Swiss Federal Office for the Environment (FOEN)

11:00 – 11:15 am    *Coffee Break*

**11:15 – 12:30 pm    Roundtable: Balancing Public and Private Interests: An Interdisciplinary Conversation on the Ethics of Nanotechnologies Regulation**

- Facilitator: Michael G Bennett, Vassar College
- Mark Hunyadi, Catholic University Louvain
- Ronald Sandler, Northeastern University Nanotechnology and Society Research Group
- Dr. Marc Saner, Executive Director at the Regulatory Governance Initiative (Canada)
- Makane M. Mbengue, University of Geneva School of Law

12:30 – 12:45 pm    Closing Remarks: Makane M. Mbengue  
*Reception*