

# GENERAL PROGRAMME

## SUSTAINABILITY AND THE LAW: PLANET. PEOPLE. FUTURE.

57th INTERNATIONAL YOUNG LAWYERS' CONGRESS



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# What is the International Young Lawyers' Congress?

The International Young Lawyers' Congress is the Annual Congress organised every year by the International Association of Young Lawyers, AIJA. Under this year's theme '**Sustainability and the Law: Planet. People. Future**', over 700 international legal professionals are expected to explore the ways in which today's digitalised and globalised world can become more sustainable. The programme will feature several plenary sessions, workshops and working sessions organised by AIJA's 20 commissions from 3-7 September, at the Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa in Rome.

This year, the theme is inspired by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all, according to the UN. To encourage debate, the event will be structured around three thematic areas (**Sustainable Society, Sustainable Company** and **Sustainable Law Practice**) to build up extensive knowledge and awareness around the set of 17 goals.

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



## General programme

Tuesday

3 September

- **10:00 - 13:00 AIJA Extended Bureau meeting**  
📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*
- **14:00 - 17:30 SCILL Public speaking crash course (for speakers and moderators only)**  
📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*
- **17:30 - 18:15 Work Coordinators & Session Coordinators/ General Reporters' meeting**  
📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*
- **18:15 - 19:15 Speed networking**  
📍 *Room Fernandes, Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*
- **19:30 - 21:15 Welcome reception**  
📍 *Pool bar, Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

*Dress code: Business casual*

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**Wednesday**

**4 September**

## SUSTAINABLE SOCIETY

The first day will be dedicated to 'Sustainable Society'. Sessions will concentrate around societal challenges, including those related to environmental degradation (Goal 13), economic prosperity (UN Goal 8), social inclusion, gender equality (UN Goal 5), industry, innovation and infrastructure (UN Goal 9), urban environment (UN Goal 11), or biodiversity loss (UN Goal 15).

- **07:00 - 08:00 Running for human rights**  
 📍 *Villa Borghese Park and selected itinerary in Rome*

- **08:00 - 09:00 AIJA Executive Committee meeting**  
 📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

### 09:00 - 12:00 Plenary session #1

#### SUSTAINABILITY AND THE LAW: GLOBAL ACTION FOR PEOPLE AND THE PLANET

- 📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

- **10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break**  
 📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

- **12:00 - 13:00 Meetings of AIJA commissions**  
 📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

- **13:00 - 14:00 Lunch & Exhibition | First-timers' lunch**  
 📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

- **13:00 - 14:00 UIA/IBA/IPBA/ABA SIL lunch**  
 📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*



**14:00 - 16:00 Parallel workshops**

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

**Workshop #1**

**CITIES OF THE FUTURE: LOCAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN A GLOBAL COMPETITIVE ENVIRONMENT**

**Workshop #2**

**LARGE-SCALE SPORT EVENTS IN TIMES OF MEGALOMANIA: BIGGER, BETTER, MORE EXPENSIVE. SUSTAINABLE?**

**Workshop #3**

**VULNERABLE WORKERS, MIGRANTS AND FAMILIES: PERSPECTIVES ON A MORE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE**

**Workshop #4**

**MAKING THE ENVIRONMENT GREAT AGAIN: NEW FRONTIERS FOR INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION AND STATE COURTS**

**15:45 - 16:15 Coffee break**

**16:00 - 17:00 Meetings of AIJA commissions**

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

🚌 **18:00 onwards** *Bus transfers from the congress hotel to Auditorium Parco della Musica*

**19:00 - 02:00 Opening ceremony, Walking dinner & Afterparty**

📍 *AUDITORIUM Parco della Musica*

*Dress code: Business suit*

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS**



**Opening ceremony**

As part of the congress keynote series, AIJA will welcome Michael Green, Chief Executive Officer of the Social Progress Imperative, a US-based non-profit best known for the Social Progress Index, a multi-indicator index that assesses the social and environmental performance of different countries. Michael Green is a keynote speaker at the opening ceremony.





Thursday

5 September

## SUSTAINABLE COMPANY

The second day will be all about key opportunities and challenges some industries face and how companies can strengthen current practices and mitigate risk to deliver meaningful and long-term contributions to a more sustainable planet. Critical issues, such as climate change (UN Goal 13), inequalities (UN Goal 10), securing resilient supply chains (UN Goal 8), or sustainable investing will be part of the schedule.

● **07:00 - 08:00** Morning run

📍 Villa Borghese Park and selected itinerary in Rome

● **08:00 - 09:00** Corporate counsel breakfast (open to corporate counsel only/ upon registration)

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● **09:00 - 12:00** Parallel working sessions

📍 Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa

Working session #1

SUSTAINABILITY IN THE FASHION INDUSTRY: IS GREEN THE NEW BLACK?

Working session #2

THE GROWING ROLE OF SUSTAINABILITY IN M&A AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

● **10:30 - 11:00** Coffee break

● **12:00 - 13:00** AIJA vice-presidential elections debate

📍 Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa

● **13:00 - 14:00** Lunch

📍 Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa



● **14:00 - 16:00** Parallel workshops

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

**Workshop #5**

**CORPORATE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

**Workshop #6**

**FINTECH'S POTENTIAL ON THE ROAD TO SUSTAINABILITY**

**Workshop #7**

**RESPONSIBLE TAX FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE**

**Workshop #8**

**SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH PERSONALISED MEDICINE: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES**

● **15:45 - 16:15** Coffee break

● **16:00 - 17:00** Meetings of AIJA commissions

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

● **17:00 - 18:00** National Representatives Committee (former MF) meeting

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

● **19:30 - 02:00** Home hospitality dinner & afterparty

📍 *Local host's home & selected local club*



Friday

6 September

## SUSTAINABLE LAW PRACTICE

The third day will address the transformation of the practice of law and how the Sustainable Development Goals can help law firms deliver their sustainability programmes and ambitions.

● 09:00 - 12:00 Working session #3

**BUILDING A SUCCESSFUL, SUSTAINABLE LAW PRACTICE**

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

● 10:30 - 12:00 Working session #4

**HOW CAN WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE? LAW FIRMS AND SUSTAINABILITY**

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

● 10:00 - 10:30 Coffee break

● 10:00 - 12:00 AIJA Honorary Members' meeting

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

● 12:30 - 14:30 AIJA Honorary Members' lunch

📍 *Pierluigi Restaurant (Piazza de' Ricci, 144, 00186 Rome)*

● 13:15 - 14:00 Briefing: Day out group leaders

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*



● **12:00 - 13:00 AIJA meetings**

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

- Officers of the Commissions Committee (former FoC) meeting
- Human Rights Committee meeting

● **13:00 - 14:00 Lunch & Exhibition**

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

● **14:00 - 15:30 Academic Programme Committee (former LCC) meeting**

📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*

● **15:30 - 02:00 Day out activities, dinner & afterparty**

📍 *Cinecittà Studios (Via Vincenzo Lamaro, 33, 00173 Rome)*

*Dress code: casual with comfortable shoes*



**Saturday**

**7 September**

## AIJA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The last day of the congress will start with a meeting of the General Assembly followed by a meeting of the newly elected Executive Committee. The afternoon will be dedicated to the traditional AIJA Congress football match and a thematic city tour of the Eternal City of Rome. After a packed day of meetings, city tours and sport activities, join us for a playful, coloured evening at the gala dinner, with a '**La Dolce Vita**' theme remembering the '50-'60s in Italy.

- **10:00 - 12:30 AIJA General Assembly meeting**  
 📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*
- **12:30 - 13:30 AIJA Executive Committee meeting**  
 📍 *Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel & Spa*
- **14:15 - 17:00**  
**Football match**  
 📍 *Salaria Sport Village (Via S. Gaggio, 5, 00138 Rome)*
- **14:30 - 17:00**  
**Thematic city tours**
- **15:00 - 16:00**  
**Yog'AIJA**  
 📍 *Villa Borghese park (weather permitting)*
- **18:30 - 01:30 Gala dinner**  
 📍 *Villa Medici (Viale Trinità dei Monti, 1, 00187 Rome)*  
*Dress code: Black tie - La Dolce Vita*

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