Building Bridges Across Disciplinary and Jurisdictional Boundaries

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Colloquium Themes

- Instruments → implementation

- Governance & institutional effectiveness

- Beyond jurisdictional boundaries
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Overview

• Challenges

• Need for non-doctrinal methods

• Research in action

• Ways forward
Challenges of Environmental Law Scholarship
Challenges

• Uncertainty and the need for adaptive measures

• Science–based nature

• Challenge of interdisciplinarity

• Quality Control, Academic Rigour
Research in Action
Triangulation
PALM Project

Refined Hypotheses

Further interviews, focus groups

Interviews, field visits

HoB Project

Further Refined

Transboundary Water Criteria

Transboundary Biodiversity Criteria

Scoping, Interviews, field visits

Desk-based research

Hypotheses
Methods Used

- Legal–Doctrinal
- Interdisciplinary Literature Review
- Case Studies
  - Field Visits/Observations
  - Interviews
  - Focus Groups
- Comparative
Case Study 1: The PALM Project
Desk-based research \rightarrow Hypotheses
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Case Study 2: The Heart of Borneo
PALM Project

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HoB Project

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Hypotheses
Visit 2: PALM Project

Focus Groups
Comparative

Transboundary Biodiversity

Transboundary Water

Literature Review
Ways Forward
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- Enhanced interdisciplinarity
- Enhanced engagement
- Implementation of adaptive measures
- Training
- Documentation