

The Permanent Missions of Sweden and Austria to the United Nations

cordially invite you to the annual meeting of the Working Group on the

6pm

Trusteeship Council Chamber

With the presence of the following members of the ILC

Nilfer Oral: Sealevel rise in relation to international law

Marcelo V. Ezquerro: General principles of law

Rolf Einar Fife: Futurework of the ILC

Moderated by Minor Hammarskjöld, Director General for Legal Affairs of the Swedish
Ministry for Foreign Affairs

This year discussions will focus on the following topics:

Sea-level rise in relation to international law

This year, the Commission had before it an additional paper to the first issues paper focused on the law of the sea. The additional paper addressed the in relation to sea-level rise, with a focus on baselines and maritime zones; intangibility of boundaries; fundamental change of circumstances; effects of the potential situation whereby overlapping areas of the exclusive economic zone of opposite coastal States, delimited by bilateral agreement, no longer overlap; effects of the situation whereby an agree-

and rights; equity; permanent sovereignty over natural resources; possible loss or gain of benefits by third States; nautical charts and their relationship to base maritime boundaries and the safety of navigation; and relevance of other sources of I

General principles of law

This year, the Commission considered the report of the Drafting Committee and adopted its first reading draft conclusions on the topic together with commentaries thereto. The Commission decided to transmit the draft conclusions, through the Secretary-General, to Governments for comments and observations by 1 December 2024.

Looking to the future:

At the beginning of a new quinquennium it would appear timely to discuss and reflect

- topics on the long-term programme of work

- possible future topics which Member States may find useful for the ILC to address

We look forward to an interactive discussion!