

PRE-REFERENDUM LITERATURE

Institute for European Environmental Policy's March 2016 report on 'The potential policy and environmental consequences for the UK of a departure from the European Union'. This report is available at www.ieep.eu/assets/2000/IEEP_Brexit_2016.pdf

POST-REFERENDUM LITERATURE

The OUP Brexit Blog - <http://global.oup.com/uk/orc/law/eu/eulaw/resources/generalresources/> - is an excellent general resource across a wide range of academic disciplines. Of specific interest to environmental lawyers are:

Liz Fisher and James Harrison, 'Beyond the binary: Brexit, environmental law, and an interconnected world' <https://blog.oup.com/2016/09/binary-brexit-environmental-law/> (For Fisher and Harrison, 'Seeing the future of UK environmental law as a binary choice [between the EU and Brexit] ignores the rich complexity of this area of law and thus discourages the asking of constructive questions')

Maria Lee, 'Brexit: environmental accountability and EU governance', <https://blog.oup.com/2016/10/brexit-environment-eu-governance/> (this puts forward, in Maria Lee's words, 'some thoughts on the less visible aspects of EU environmental governance, aspects that must be held up to scrutiny as we develop an accountability framework 'independent' of the rules and institutions of the European Union')

Duncan French, 'Alternate realities: Brexit and Pokémon', <https://blog.oup.com/2016/10/brexit-pokemon-go-law/> (As we prepare to leave the EU, French offers a plea to 're-engage (perhaps for the first time) with other regional and international processes and institutions that reflect ... ecological interdependence', and which, because of EU membership, have perhaps received less attention than they may deserve in the future.)

Gregory Messenger, 'Brexit and the World Trade Organization', <https://blog.oup.com/2016/05/brexit-wto-world-trade-organization/> (Looking at the history of the WTO's impact, 'contrary to the prevailing view, remaining in the WTO post-Brexit could entail a greater threat to UK sovereignty than is currently the case')

Dieter Helm, 'Agriculture policy after Brexit', <https://blog.oup.com/2017/05/agricultural-policy-farmers-brexit/> (Helm explores how Brexit provides opportunities to move CAP money away from supporting landownership and into providing public goods like habitats and clean water)

The UK Environmental Law Association (UKELA) has established a Brexit Task Force. You can read more about the work of this group, and of UKELA generally, in relation to Brexit at <https://www.ukela.org/brexit>

House of Lords EU Energy and Environment Sub-Committee <http://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/lords-select/eu-energy-environment-subcommittee/publications/> This Committee's Report on Environment and Climate Change (Feb 2017) is an excellent source of information and opinion about many of the legal issues which arise on leaving the EU, especially on the challenges of ensuring that current EU environmental law is retained following departure, and the issues which will arise in implementing and enforcing this.

ARTICLES

Robert G Lee, 'Always Keep a Hold of Nurse: British Environmental Law and Exit from the European Union' (2017) 29(1) J Environmental Law 155-164.
<https://academic.oup.com/jel/article/29/1/155/3103036/Always-Keep-a-Hold-of-Nurse-British-Environmental> (this article cautions against too rosy a view of the EU's contribution to environmental protection, given its economic mission. Lee suggests that Brexit opens up certain opportunities, though perhaps limited ones, for change in environmental law, and discusses these.)