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“Arctic and Antarctic Regions: New Challenges for Ocean Governance”
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Introduction:
9h00-9h15 Paul Rietjens, Legal Counsel, Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs of Belgium

Session 1 – Navigation: Chair: Eduard Somers, Prof. em., Universiteit Gent (UG)
9h15-9h35 Masamichi Hasebe, Senior Legal Counsel, The Japan Association of Marine Safety:
New Developments in Navigation and the IMO Polar Code
9h35-9h55 Keyuan Zou, Prof., University of Central Lancashire:
Implementation of the Polar Code in Antarctic Waters
9h55-10h15 Aldo Chircop, Prof., Dalhousie University:
Polar Code, a Canadian Perspective
10h15-10h35 Anatoly Kapustin, Prof., President of the Russian Society of International Law:
Polar Code, a Russian Perspective
10h35-11h00 Discussion
11h00-11h20 Coffee break

Section 2 – Fisheries: Chair: Friedrich Wieland, Retired Head of Unit, Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, EU Commission
11h20-11h40 Philippe Gautier, Prof., Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL):
New Developments with Respect to Fisheries in the Antarctic
11h40-12h00 Erik Franckx, Prof., Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB):
New Developments with Respect to Fisheries in the Arctic
12h00-12h20  Fernando Villamizar Lamus, Prof., Universidad Bernardo O’Higgins:
Antarctic and Arctic Litigation in Fishery matters

12h20-12h40  Discussion

12h40-14h00  Free time/lunch

Session 3 - Tourism and Scientific Research: ¹ Chair: Louis le Hardy de Beaulieu, Prof., Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL)

14h00-14h20  Holger Martinsen, Amb., Permanent Representative of Argentina to IMO:
Tourism in the Antarctic

14h20-14h40  Fiammetta Borgia, Lecturer, University of Rome tor Vergata:
Tourism in the Arctic

14h40-15h00  Eric David, Prof. em., Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB):
Legal Status of Polar Stations: The Princess Elisabeth Antarctica Research Station

15h00-15h20  Discussion

Conclusions:

15h20-15h30  Yves Van der Mensbrugghe, Prof. em., Katholiek Universiteit Leuven (KUL)

Reception: 16h00-17h00

¹ Written Communication by Alexia de Vaucleroy, Lecturer, Catholic University of Louvain: Tourism in the Antarctic