This decade is a critical juncture in humanity’s response to the global crises of climate change and biodiversity loss. In this context, the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL), the Supreme Court of Rio de Janeiro, and partners have planned the 2nd World Environmental Law Congress around the theme: Environmental Law 2030 and Beyond.

This hybrid event will reaffirm, further develop, and advance the 2016 IUCN World Declaration on the Environmental Rule of Law and the 2018 Brasilia Judicial Declaration on Water Justice, in light of the Marseille Manifesto and outcomes of the 2021 IUCN World Conservation Congress (September 2021), the recognition of a right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment by the United Nations Human Rights Council (October 2021), the Kunming Declaration of CBD COP 15 (October 2021), and the outcomes of UNFCCC COP26 in Glasgow (November 2021).