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**ENCLE - IJCLE 2019 Improving the Future: Using Clinical Legal Education to Educate Lawyers for a Just Society**

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| Title of Proposal | Going-Green and Clean: The EBSU Law Clinic Role in Combating Climate Change |
| Summary of Proposal | This presentation highlights the activities of EBSU law clinic over the years to contain climate change through her Environmental Law Clinic. The clinic utilises Street law programmes to schools, markets, parks etc, to sensitise the public on the dangers of deforestation and other unhealthy mining activities that contributes to climate change. The presentation also shows the study made by EBSU Law clinic to reduce industrial and mining dusts that are released daily to the atmosphere contributing to climate change and endangering human life, which led to the relocation of the quarries from Abakaliki capital city centre to the suburb. |
| Abstract Proposal | Abstract:  Climate change is increasing rise in world temperature beyond acceptable limits, distorting nature and environmental balance. Climate change is one of the challenges of the 21st century. The earth is getting warmer by the day due to vagrant abuse of the environment by humanity, via industrialisation and deforestation. The Faculty of Law Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki was established in 1999. It was established to meet the yearnings of the teaming population of Ebonyi people, which had long suffered dearth of legal manpower to solve societal problems. Ebonyi State University Law Clinic established in 2005, has functional learning objectives for each subject and there is emphasis on the use of interactive teaching methods and teaching aids etc to deliver knowledge to law students, and ultimately to meet societal needs. The main objective of this presentation is, therefore, to share the role of EBSU Law Clinic’s â€œgoing Green and Clean programme in Combating Climate Change, via the following activities of the clinic:   * Street law * Environmental and Mining Field study * Annual Tree planting Exercise * Environmental Law Clinic FOI programmes.   Although the delivery would be through powerpoint presentation, there would be good deployment of Q & A, sharing experiences from other jurisdictions, with a touch of pechakucha pictorials to whip up class interest/participation. All these is geared towards making the presentation interactive.  The presentation titled ‘Going Green and Clean: The EBSU Law Clinic Role in Combating Climate Change’ which is drawn from the subtheme ‘climate change and environmental justice through Clinical Legal Education’ is very relevant to the central theme of the conference ‘improving the Future: using Clinical Legal Education to educate Lawyers for a Just Society’. This is because, checkmating climate change has a direct bearing with improving the future, by making the environment safe and healthy for today’s and future generations. The presenter, Professor Amari Omaka C. Is the Dean of Faculty and Director of EBSU Law Clinic, Faculty of Law Ebonyi State University Abakaliki Nigeria. He is one of the pioneers of clinical legal education in Nigeria a member of International Legal Ethics Organisation (ILEC), Global Alliance for Justice Education (GAJE), Network of University Legal Aid Institutions (NULAI-Nigeria), IJCLE and other clinical legal education organizations worldwide. |