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The Australian Centre for Climate and Environmental Law (ACCEL) is located in the Faculty of Law, University of Sydney. The objectives of the Centre are to encourage, promote and support innovative and important scholarship including teaching, research, consultancy and public interest advocacy in all areas of environmental law and policy. These objectives are pursued within the University of Sydney, with other related Centres in Australia and overseas, with the legal profession, and with the wider community both in Australia and internationally.

Collaborative research currently focuses predominantly on climate change, including reducing emissions from deforestation and degradation, finance and taxation issues and environmental planning. ACCEL staff also participate in research and debate through their publications and through the Centre's international journal, the *Asia Pacific Journal of Environmental Law*.

ACCEL is home to the University of Sydney Law Faculty's Climate Law and Policy Group (CLPG) established in 2008. The CLPG addresses intersections between climate change and administrative law, contract law, company law, criminal law, environmental law, Indigenous law, international law, migration law, property law, public health law, taxation law, tort law and trade law.

ACCEL has enabled Sydney Law School to deliver one of the world's largest postgraduate programs in climate and environmental law. Over 25 units of study are offered in the degrees of Master of Environmental Law and Master of Environmental Science and Law, and in the Graduate Diploma of Environmental Law. These qualifications are available not only to lawyers but also non-lawyers with a relevant background. For further information on the postgraduate environmental law program, go to: [www.sydney.edu.au/law/accel](http://www.sydney.edu.au/law/accel)

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