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Centre for Climate Law
and Sustainability Studies
(CLASS)

PhD student vacancies at the Centre for Climate Law and Sustainability Studies (CLASS) at the Institute of State and Law of the Czech Academy of Sciences.

Total full-time equivalents hired: 1.6

Start date: 1 September 2025

The positions offered are part of a Climate Law ERC CZ project that will last from 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2027

Expected main areas of research:

- Constitutional foundations of climate protection with a special focus on human rights and the rule of law in an international and comparative perspective
- Legal limits of civil society in climate protection with a special focus on climate activism
- Corporate climate responsibility and due diligence in the field of sustainability

Qualifications:

- Ongoing doctoral studies in law
- Strong interest in the legal aspects of addressing the impacts of climate change and a willingness to pursue research in the areas outlined above (prior knowledge is beneficial but not required)
- Active knowledge of English (knowledge of an additional world language is a plus)
- Long-term commitment to theoretical reflections on law and research work
- Interest in interdisciplinary approaches to legal research, collaboration with multiple disciplines, and effective communication of scientific findings to the public

We offer:

- Opportunity to contribute to the development of climate law and engage in legal research
- Opportunity to participate in prestigious international projects with academic institutions in Western Europe
- Support for research, publication, lecturing and other relevant activities and support for international cooperation
- Pleasant working environment in the centre of Prague
- Employee benefits: five weeks of vacation, language courses

You may ask for further information at class@ilaw.cas.cz.

Applications, including a CV and motivation letter, are to be sent to class@ilaw.cas.cz. Selected candidates will be invited for a personal interview. Applicants are not entitled to compensation for expenses related to the application process.

Information on personal data policy: We would like to inform the applicants that by sending their application, they grant the Institute of State and Law CAS automatic consent to the processing and storing of personal data for the selection procedure and the eventual conclusion of an employment contract. Personal data will be processed by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Personal data will be processed only to the extent necessary and only for the duration of the selection procedure. The processing of personal data will be sufficiently secure, and personal data will not be transferred to third parties.