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The Grande- Synthe Decisions: A Conversation with the Judges of the French Council of State

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Earlier this year, the French Conseil d'Etat issued a judgment in favor of the commune of Grande-Synthe, a coastal city vulnerable to flooding from rising sea level, in its lawsuit against the French government for failing to comply with the Paris Agreement. Separately, in *Notre Affaire à Tous and Others v. France*, the Paris administrative tribunal held the government liable for the “ecological damage” caused by its failure to meet its climate-change commitments. In this webinar, the Chief Justice of the Conseil d'Etat, Bruno Lasserre, and Justice Stéphane Hoynck, will discuss the impact of these two groundbreaking cases. Michael Burger, executive director of the Sabin Center at Columbia University, will provide opening remarks.

Moderator

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Panelists

Chief Justice Bruno Lasserre, Conseil d'Etat

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