



**WEBINAR**  
**INTERNATIONAL  
ARBITRATION AND  
CORPORATE IMPUNITY:  
LESSONS FROM THE  
CASES CHEVRON AND  
RWE :: MAY 21, 2021**

**4 PM AMSTERDAM :: 3 PM LONDON :: 9 AM QUITO**



On the occasion of the **May 21st Anti-Chevron Day**, this webinar questions the functioning of the investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS) system, especially regarding the cases of Chevron in Ecuador and RWE in The Netherlands. The case concerning Chevron's oil pollution in the Amazon raises the question of how an arbitral award can order to the State of Ecuador to impede the enforcement of the sentence of its own judicial system as well as how this award could be set aside. And the case of the energy company RWE questions the legality of the ISDS system according to European laws in the context of the Energy Charter Treaty.

### **1. Impacts of Chevron's pollution on indigenous peoples in the Ecuadorian Amazon**

Humberto Piaguaje, indigenous leader of the Siekopai, member of the UDAPT - Union of those affected by the oil operations of Texaco (now Chevron), Ecuador

### **2. The arbitration between Chevron and the Ecuadorian state**

Pablo Fajardo, lead lawyer of the Chevron case and the UDAPT, Ecuador

### **3. The big exclusion: How ISDS marginalises local communities and nature**

Alessandra Arcuri, professor of Inclusive Law and Governance at the Erasmus University in Rotterdam, and Maaïke Niehof, LLM International and European Union Law candidate, Netherlands

### **4. The political debate concerning ISDS in the Netherlands and Europe in particular concerning public interest cases, such as the RWE climate litigation**

Bart Jaap Verbeek, SOMO (Centre for Research on Multinational Corporations) Netherlands

### **5. Shareholders questioning corporate power: the use of voting rights and AGM speeches<sup>16</sup>**

Christian Russau, Association of ethical shareholders, Germany and FDCL (Forschungs- und Dokumentationszentrum Chile-Lateinamerika e.V.), Germany

**Facilitator:** Mónica Vargas, Transnational Institute

## **REGISTRATION**

- Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/iaci-chev-rwe>
- The webinar will be in German, English, and Spanish
- The event will be around 90 minutes. It will start 4 PM in Amsterdam, 3 PM London, 9 AM Quito. Click here for local timings in your area: <https://tinyurl.com/local-timings>
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