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FIRST ANNUAL ANIMAL WELFARE AND INTERNATIONAL LAW SEMINAR PRESENTED BY THE REGIONAL AFRICAN LAW AND HUMAN SECURITY PROGRAMME, UWC (RALHUS) IN CONJUNCTION WITH LINCOLN LAW SCHOOL, UK.

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The increasing recognition of the moral and legal significance of animals has given rise to scholarly discourse on the manner in which law should protect animals. The entanglement of animal interests with transnational issues such as global environmental protection, the transboundary movement of species (irrespective of territorial borders) and the potential trade consequences of animal welfare measures in the context of the comprehensive trade regime indicate that animal welfare has implications for international law. It is particularly in the field of international wildlife law that the need exists to develop a corpus of rules that focuses on wildlife welfare. Therefore, it is the primary goal of the forthcoming seminar to determine how international law, in particular international wildlife law, may respond to the increasing recognition of animal interests.

We welcome abstracts (not exceeding 400 words) for oral presentations on the following topics:

- (i) Animals and international law: Towards Global Animal Law?
- (ii) Reconciling conservation and welfare in international environmental law
- (iii) International wildlife law and the emergence of animal welfare law
- (iv) Taking international animal rights seriously
- (v) Animal welfare and trade law
- (vi) Wildlife welfare in foreign jurisdictions
- (vii) Animals and environmental law: The dawn of new environmental ethics?

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