Centre d’Études Juridiques EtPolitiques (CEJEP)

Structured around three major areas: justice and trials, environment and territories, companies and insurances, the Center’s approach is firmly multidisciplinary.

Since 2008, the latter has integrated the environment and sustainable development into its research themes.

Recently it has been developing work in the field of digital law, in collaboration with other laboratories of La Rochelle Université, including the Laboratory of Informatics, Image, Interaction (L3i).

Disciplines—Private law. Criminal sciences
Public law. Political science

Societal challenges
Environment
Study and implementation of legal rules for the protection, management or restoration of coastal natural environments.

Natural risks
Study of law adaptation to climate change and the amplification of environmental inequalities.

Territory
Study of the fundamental role of the territory in environmental justice, natural resource management or spatial planning.

Crime
Analysis of both traditional themes such as criminology and criminal justice, but also of the field of cybercrime.

Private law
Involvement in research projects related to business and corporate law and insurance law.

European institution
Study of institutional innovations in the construction of the European Union and of European influences on national rights.
Research Network

The Center is involved in research on integrated coastal management through a network of university partners (Université du littoral Côte d’Opale, Sup de Co La Rochelle).

CEJEP is also part of the Biodiversity, Law and Ecosystem Services Network, (Biodiscée) which aims to clarify the legal concept of “Ecosystem Services”.

It also plays a crucial role in the SHADES project, financed by the National Agency for Research (ANR), that aims to improve the protection of digital data via the advanced electronic signature of documents. Since the end of 2019, the center has been integrated into a new regional research network: Europe Law and Public Action.

Expertise

The CEJEP took part in the Integrated Recreational Practices Management Program on the Island of Oleron (GIPREOL) initiated by the Laboratory Littoral Environnement et Sociétés (LIENSS) at La Rochelle Université. It was interested in the legal status of fishing in the context of integrated coastal management.

The Center has also been involved in a major project of the Environmental Research Federation for Sustainable Development (FREDD) involving 17 researchers specialized in environmental law. Their work clarifies local authorities’ environmental competences according to the fields of action concerned (waste, water, protected areas, soils...).

CEJEP also contributed to the writing of a report of the European Economic and Social Council (EESC) on social and environmental inequalities. In the field of justice, it submitted to the Ministry of Justice, a report on recidivism prevention in its partnership dimension in Charente-Maritime, research funded by the Research Mission Law and Justice.

Training

- MASTER IN PUBLIC LAW
  - course Regional and Environmental Law and public policy

- MASTER INSURANCE LAW
  (Jointly accredited with University of Poitiers)

- MASTER JUSTICE, TRIALS AND PROCEDURES
  - course Procedural Law

- MASTER BUSINESS LAW

- MASTER DIGITAL LAW
  - course Third-party trust and digital security

Partnerships

The research center has the financial and technical support of several local authorities (Nouvelle Aquitaine Region, General council of Charente-Maritime, city of La Rochelle).

It has also developed close ties with the Regional Center for Professional Training of Lawyers in Poitiers. Its research is conducted in collaboration with laboratories of the universities of Poitiers, of Limoges and of Burgundy. It also relies on associative networks both at the national level (including the French Criminology Association) and at the European level (including the European Association of Environmental Law).