

Mumta Ito

Lawyer / Changemaker

One of Europe's leading experts on the rights of Nature and visionary change-maker

CURRENT WORK EXPERIENCE

Founder / CEO Nature's Rights

01/2015 - Present

Europe's leading organisation standing for the rights of Nature as the foundation of all other rights human and economic

Achievements/Tasks

- Advisor to UN Harmony with Nature Programme
- Advisor to the EESC - conducted stakeholder workshops culminating in a study Towards An EU Fundamental Charter for the Rights of Nature
- Advisor to The Ocean Race - conducting stakeholder workshops towards a Universal Declaration of Ocean Rights
- Initiator of a European Citizen's Initiative for the rights of Nature and lead author of a Draft EU Directive on the Rights of Nature
- Numerous publications, articles, videos, public speaking at conferences and conducting workshops to promote the rights of Nature worldwide

CERTIFICATES

Solicitor of the Supreme Court, England and Wales
(08/1999 - Present)

Admitted to Bar Council of the British Virgin Islands
(08/2006 - Present)

Post Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice
(08/1995 - 08/1996)

Legal Practice Certificate (08/1997 - 08/1999)

Common Professional Examination (08/1991 - 08/1992)

BSc (Hons) Zoology (08/1987 - 08/1991)

EDUCATION

Legal Practice Certificate
The College of Law, London, UK
08/1997 - 09/1999

Post Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice
The College of Law, London, UK
08/1995 - 08/1996

Common Professional Examination (Law)
University of Glamorgan, Wales, UK
08/1991 - 08/1992

BSc (Hons) Zoology
University of Sheffield, UK
08/1987 - 08/1991

SKILLS

Law and legal analysis

Public Speaking

Negotiation

Team and Project Management

Team Building

Writing

Designing and Delivering workshops

Facilitating group processes

Starting initiatives and inspiring others to join

ORGANIZATIONS

VIRGIN ISLANDS ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL
(08/2006 - 02/2010)

Co-Founder and lawyer - formed to bring the first environmental case in the BVI. Created ground up movement, changed the law, saved ecosystem of global ecological importance

HARNEYS (BVI) (08/1997 - 08/1999)

Lawyer specialising in offshore structured finance

CLIFFORD CHANCE LLP (08/1999 - 05/1996)

Lawyer - Specialised in structured finance, securitisation. Clients included the major investment banks, multinationals and governments

HONOR AWARDS

Sir Peter Parker Award (12/1995)

JETRO and SOAS

LANGUAGES

Japanese

Full Professional Proficiency

SUPPORTED CAUSES

The rights of Nature

INTERESTS

Meditation

Yoga

Healing

Drumming

Martial Arts

Qigong

Swimming

Walking

Spending time in Nature

Personal Development