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# Environment Energy & Natural Resources Center at UH Law Center shares European Commission award

**Sept. 4, 2019** — The European Commission has awarded a three-year energy research grant to the Environment, Energy & Natural Resources Center at the University of Houston Law Center and the French Universite Jean Moulin Lyon III.

The Marie Sklodowska-Curie Action Global Fellowship Award will fund a project entitled “NGOs and Transition Governance in Law.” The partnership will explore ways to facilitate public and private efforts to achieve goals of the Paris Agreement on climate change.

For the first two years, Dr. Aubin Fred Nzaou, a lecturer at Lyon III University whose research focuses on hydrocarbons, the environment and climate change, will be in residence at UHLC. He will work with Professor Victor B. Flatt, faculty co-director of the EENR Center, and other Law Center faculty.

“I am very excited to have the opportunity to work with Dr. Nzaou and partner with Jean Moulin University to address the pressing issue of climate change,” said Flatt, Dwight Olds Chair in Law. “Our work on U.S. private sector and NGO governance and multi-national energy companies should assist in ensuring that the U.S. continues to contribute to climate change reduction, along with the rest of the world.”

Named after the groundbreaking Polish-French Nobel Prize winner, the Marie Sklodowska-Curie Fellowship nurtures research on major issues of the day by developing and sharing new skills through the mobility of researchers across borders, sectors and disciplines.

This is the first Sklodowska-Curie award to go to the University of Houston, testifying to its increased research capacity and global reach in energy and the related topics of environment and climate change.



**Professor Victor B. Flatt**