



UNIVERSITY OF JOENSUU - UNEP COURSE ON INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW-MAKING AND DIPLOMACY

Joensuu, Finland, 22 August - 3 September 2004

Draft Agenda (8 May 2004)

Sunday, 22 A	August 2004	
Orientation		
3.00 p.m.	Registration	
6.00 p.m.	Orientation Programme	
	-Introduction to the programme	
	-Introduction of the participants	
	-Introduction of organizers and resource persons	
7.30 p.m.	Get-together party	Univ. of Joensuu
Monday, 23	August 2004	
Morning sess	ion	
9.00 a.m.	Welcome	
	Address by the Rector of the University of Joensuu, Prof. Perttu Vartiainen	
	Address by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland, Mr. Kari Karanko	
	Address by a representative of the Ministry of the Environment, Ms. Outi Berghäll	
	Address by the Deputy Executive Director of UNEP, Mr. Shafqat Kakakhel	
	Keynote address by the Former UN Legal Counsel, Ambassador Hans Corell	
10.30 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
11.00 a.m.	Presentation on Global and Regional Environmental Issues	Presenter:
		UNEP
11.45 a.m.	Group discussion on selected environmental issues	Moderator:
		Mr. Frits Schlingemann, UNEP
12.30 p.m.	Lunch	
Afternoon ses	ssion	
2.00 p.m.	International Environmental Diplomacy	Presenter:
	The Stockholm Vision, 1972	Mr. Shafqat Kakakhel, UNEP
	The Brundtland Vision, 1987	
	The Millennium Vision, 2000	
	UNEP Governing Council Vision, 2002 (the Executive Director Report on the State of International Environmental Governance)	
	Negotiating environmental agreements for the world: insights from varied experiences	

2.45 p.m.	Small group discussions: Sharing of experiences in International Environmental Law-making and Diplomacy	Panel Members/Mentors for the different discussion groups:
		Ambassador Hans Corell, Legal Counsel of the United Nations
		Mr. Shafqat Kakakhel, UNEP
		Mr. Frits Schlingemann, UNEP
		Prof. Marc Pallemaerts
		Mr. Kari Karanko, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
		Ms. Outi Berghäll, Ministry of the Environment of Finland
3.30 p.m.	Tea/coffee break	
4.00 p.m.	Experience Sharing of International Environmental Law-making and Diplomacy in small groups (cont.)	
5.00 p.m.	Plenary session on outcomes of the discussion groups	Moderator:
		Mr. Lal Kurukulasuriya, UNEP
Tuesday, 24	August 2004	
Morning sess	ion	
9.00 a.m.	Overview of the major developments in international environmental law-making:	Prof. Marc Pallemaerts
	- Development of MEAs	
	- Soft law as a precursor of hard law	
	- Emergence of international environmental law principles	
10.00 a.m.	The concept of sustainable development: from theory to practice	Mr. Lal Kurukulasuriya, UNEP
10.30 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
11.00 a.m.	Treaty-making process and basic concepts of Treaty Law	Ambassador Hans Corell
11.45. a.m.	Interactive session on treaty-making and Treaty Law	Ambassador Hans Corell
12.30 p.m.	Lunch	
Afternoon ses	ssion	
2.00 p.m.	Analysis of basic environmental law principles and approaches:	Prof. Marc Pallemaerts
	- The polluter pays principle	
	- The precautionary principle	
	- Common but differentiated responsibilities	
	- Access to information, public participation and access to justice	
	Short question and answer sessions will follow the presentation of each of the four sub-items.	
3.30 p.m.	Tea/coffee break	
4.00 p.m.	Workshops:	Presentation of the workshops
·	4 groups will analyse 4 different MEAs, and highlight whether and	Facilitators:
	how the principles named above are integrated into the MEAs Presentation of the outcomes of the workshops at the plenary.	Ms. Leila Suvantola, University of Joensuu
		Ms. Akpezi Ogbuigwe
		Ms. Cristina Zucca
		Ms. Barbara Ruis

Morning sess	sion T	T
9.00 a.m.	International regimes and governance, such as, the Climate Change Regime and the Rotterdam Convention	Prof. Marc Pallemaerts
10.00 a.m.	Group Discussion Session	Presentation of the case:
	The same case study (for example, relating to trade in chemicals) will be discussed by 4 different groups, with the aim of outlining the different factors that decision-makers should take into considera-	Prof. Marc Pallemaerts
	tion in the decision-making process so as to ensure that the eco-	Facilitators:
	nomic, social and environmental concerns are taken into account.	Ms. Leila Suvantola
		Ms. Lotta Viikari
		Ms. Akpezi Ogbuigwe
		Ms. Cristina Zucca
		Ms. Barbara Ruis
10.30 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
11.00 a.m.	Group Discussion session (cont.)	
12.30 p.m.	Lunch	
Afternoon se	ssion	
2.00 p.m.	Discussion on contemporary international environmental issues	International Unit, Ministry of the Environment of Finland
6.00 p.m.	Social event	Ministry of the Environment of Finland
Thursday, 2	6 August 2004	
Morning sess	sion	
9.00 a.m.	Presentations by the participants:	Presenters: 3 selected participants
	3 participants, from a developed country, developing country and a country with the economy in transition, will present a brief and critical assessment of the environmental governance system at the national level of their respective countries	Chair: one of the participants
10.30 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
11.00 a.m.	Environmental treaties under international and national law; con-	Ms. Päivi Kaukoranta,
-	clusions and entry into force of environmental treaties	Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs
11.30 p.m.	Workshop: Structured analysis of practical examples of MEAs that have been signed but not ratified, of reservations and their consequences and so on, also taking into account the relationship between conventions and protocols and appendixes/annexes. Four different groups will discuss the same issue and report back to the plenary.	Presentation of the workshop:
		Ms. Päivi Kaukoranta, Finnish Min- istry for Foreign Affairs
		Ms. Maria Pohjanpalo, Finnish Ministry of the Environment
		Facilitators:
		Ms. Akpezi Ogbuigwe
		Ms. Cristina Zucca
		Ms. Barbara Ruis
12.30 p.m.	Lunch	

3.30 p.m. 4.00 p.m. 4.00 p.m. Friday, 27 Aug Morning session 9.00 a.m.		Presentation of the workshop: Ms. Maria Pohjanpalo and Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen Chair: one of the participants Mr. Halifa Drammeh, UNEP Mr. Halifa Drammeh and Mr. Niels
4.00 p.m.	Workshop: drafting exercise One draft text of national legislation to implement a selected MEA or an aspect of an MEA is submitted to different groups for their comments and amendments. The four different revised texts will be presented to the plenary for discussion and possible consensus on a common text. gust 2004 Water Overview of UNEP's water policy and strategy	Ms. Maria Pohjanpalo and Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen Chair: one of the participants Mr. Halifa Drammeh, UNEP
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,	Water for Peace (International Freshwater Agreements)	
	Water for Feder (international Federation Agreements)	Henrik Ipsen, UNEP
	Questions and Answers	
10.30 a.m.	Coffee/tea break	
11.00 a.m.	Water	Mr. Niels Henrik Ipsen, UNEP
	Water Policy and Law Reforms: Case Studies (Uganda and Burkina Faso)	
11.45 a.m.	Water issues	Univ. of Joensuu and the Finnish Environment Institute
12.30 p.m.	Lunch	
Afternoon sessi	sion	
2.00 p.m.	International Water Law	Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen
3.00 p.m.	Introduction to the topic and re-enactment of the Gabcykovo case	Re-enactment of the case:
		Ms. Barbara Ruis and Ms. Christir Zucca
		Judge: Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen
3.30 p.m.	Tea/coffee break	
4.00 p.m.	Re-enactment of the Gabcykovo case (cont.)	
Saturday, 28 A	August 2004	
Full day excursion		Univ. of Joensuu

Free day

Monday, 30	August 2004	
Morning ses	sion	T
9.00 a.m.	Environmental negotiations	UNITAR
10.00 a.m.	Negotiation workshop:	UNITAR
	Access and benefit-sharing negotiation exercise prepared by UNI- TAR – different groups (number to be decided) will represent dif- ferent countries and organizations and negotiate a common text.	
10.30 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
11.00 a.m.	Negotiation workshop (cont.)	
12.30 p.m.	Lunch	
Afternoon se	ssion	
1.30 p.m.	Do you speak environment?	Ms. Sirpa Pietikäinen, MBA, Minister of the Environment of Finland (1991-1995)
·	- How negotiation theories can facilitate the conducting of environmental debates.	
	Interactive session	
3.30 p.m.	Tea/coffee break	
4.00 p.m.	Do you speak environment? (cont.)	
7.30 p.m.	Reception	
Tuesday 31, Morning Ses	August 2004 sion	
9.00 a.m.	Mechanics of negotiations	Mr. Patrick Széll
10.00 a.m.	3 participants from a developed country, a developing country and a country with the economy in transition will present their experi-	Presenters: 3 selected participants
	ences in the national preparatory process or in the negotiation of three selected MEAs in their respective countries	Chair: selected participant
10.30 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
11.00 a.m.	Presentation by participants (cont.)	
	Questions and Answers after each presentation	
12.30 p.m.	Lunch	
2.00 p.m.	Background of compliance regimes	Mr. Patrick Széll
2.45. p.m.	Implementation and Enforcement	Ms. Elizabeth Mrema, UNEP
3.30 p.m.	Tea/coffee break	
4.00 p.m.	Discussion on compliance	Moderators: Ms. Elizabeth Mrema, Mr. Patrick Széll
Wednesday	, 1 September 2004	Thirt dulok Ozon
Morning ses	<u> </u>	
9.00 a.m.	Treaty drafting	Mr.Patrick Széll
10.00 a.m.	Workshop: drafting exercise of one international instrument	Moderator: Mr. Patrick Széll
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	Coffee/Tea break	
10.30 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	Coffee/Tea break Workshop: drafting exercise of one international instrument (cont.)	

Afternoon se	ssion	
2.00 p.m.	Open seminar on international environmental law 4 group presentations by the participants, utilizing innovative and interactive methods of presentation of selected topics relevant to	Presenters: Selected participants
	the theme of the course	Chair: Mr. Svein Tveitdal
	Discussion sessions	
	Award for the best presentation – decided by a jury of selected participants	
6.00 p.m.	Social event	Univ. of Joensuu, Finnish Ministry of the Environment, Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs
Thursday, 2	September 2004	
Morning ses	sion	
9.00 a.m.	Evaluation of the open seminar: feedback from the participants and resource persons on the success of the seminar, including, among other things, suggestions for improvements for the next year	Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen
9.30 a.m.	The art and science of multilateral negotiations	Ms. Johannah Bernstein
10.30 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
11.00 a.m.	Negotiation simulation exercise	Presentation of the exercise:
	- Part 1	Ms. Johannah Bernstein
12.30 p.m.	Lunch	
Afternoon se	ssion	
2.00 p.m.	Negotiation simulation exercise - Part 2	
3.30 p.m.	Tea/coffee break	
4.00 p.m.	Question and answer session Information sharing and networking	Mr. Kari Karanko, Ms. Johannah Bernstein, Mr. Lal Kurukulasuriya, Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen, Ms. Akpezi Ogbuigwe
Friday, 3 Se	ptember 2004	
Morning ses	sion	
9.00 a.m.	Evaluation of the course	
	-Distribution of an evaluation form	
	-Discussion on the strengths and weaknesses of the course, ways to improve the next course and additional training needs not addressed during the course	
10.30 a.m.	Closing remarks	Representative of the Univ. of Joensuu
		Representative of the Finnish Ministry of the Environment
		Representative of the Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs
		Mr. Svein Tveitdal, UNEP
12.00 p.m.	Farewell lunch	