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ON INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW-MAKING AND DIPLOMACY**

at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg campus, South Africa,

26 June – 7 July 2006

Agenda (22 June 2006)

SUNDAY	25th June 2006
6.00 – 7.00 p.m.	Registration of participants at Denison residence
7.00. p.m.	Departure from Denison residence for UNEP welcoming dinner
7.30 p.m.	UNEP welcoming dinner at Golden Horse Casino Hotel
MONDAY	26th June 2006
9.00 – 10.00 a.m.	Registration of participants
Session 1 10.00 - 11.00 a.m.	Opening Remarks - Address by the University of KwaZulu-Natal, Professor Pumela Msweli-Mbanga, Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Head of College (Management Studies & Law) - Dean of Faculty of Management Studies - Address by UNEP, <i>Mr Shafqat Kakakhel</i> , Assistant Secretary General, Deputy Executive Director, UNEP - Address by the University of Joensuu, <i>Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen</i> - Address by the Finnish Government, <i>Mr. Pertti Anttinen</i> , Minister Counsellor, Embassy of Finland Keynote Address by <i>Dr. Tewelde Gebre Egziabher</i> , Winner of the 2006 UNEP Champions of the Earth prize
11.00 – 11.30 a.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Session 2 11.30 a.m. – 13.00 p.m.	- Introduction to the programme - Introduction of the participants - Introduction of organizers and resource persons - Practical information
13.00 - 2.30 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK
Session 3 2.30. – 3.30 p.m. 3.30 – 4.00 p.m.	UNEP – Major Priorities and Initiatives by <i>Mr. Shafqat Kakakhel</i> Discussion

4.00 - 4.30 p.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Session 4 4.30 – 5.30 p.m.	Treaty-making and general international law – humanitarian law and biodiversity, by <i>Prof Michael Cowling</i> , Dean, Faculty of Law, University of KwaZulu-Natal
7.00 p.m.	Reception hosted by the University of KwaZulu-Natal
TUESDAY	27th June 2006
Session 5 9.00 -9.45 a.m.	Introduction to biodiversity issues by <i>Dr. Michelle Hamer</i> , School of Biological Sciences, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Session 6 9.45 – 10.30 a.m.	Evolution of biodiversity related instruments by <i>Mr. Ed Couzens</i> , Senior Lecturer, University of KwaZulu-Natal
10.30 - 11.00 a.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Session 7 11.00 a.m.– 12.30 p.m.	Global Development and Perspectives in Biosafety Issues by <i>Dr. Tewolde Gebre Egziabher</i>
12.30 - 2.00 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK
Session 8 2.00 - 2.45 p.m.	Negotiating process leading to the CBD presented by <i>Ms. Barbara Ruis</i> , Legal officer, UNEP, on behalf of <i>Ms. Iwona Rummel-Bulska</i> , UNEP
Session 9 2.45 – 3.30 p.m.	Biodiversity related instruments (other than CBD) by <i>Prof. Michael Kidd</i> University of KwaZulu-Natal
3.30 - 4.00 p.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Session 10 4.00 - 4.45 p.m.	The Convention on Biological Diversity and its Impact on National Implementation presented by <i>Ms. Barbara Ruis</i> on behalf of <i>Mr. Ahmed Djoghlaif</i> , Executive Secretary, CBD Secretariat
Session 11 4.45 – 5.30 p.m.	Discussion on CBD and biodiversity related instruments moderated by <i>Prof. Michael Kidd</i> and <i>Ms. Barbara Ruis</i>
WEDNESDAY	28th June 2006
Session 12 9.00-10.30. a.m.	International environmental negotiations with a special focus on negotiating blocs <i>Mr. Donald Kaniaru</i> , former Director, UNEP and diplomat; currently Chairman, National Environment Tribunal, Kenya.
10.30 - 11.00 a.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Session 13 11.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	International environmental negotiations with a special focus on EU coordination by <i>Dr. Nicola Notaro</i> , Legal Adviser, European Commission, Environment Directorate General
12.30.-2.00 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK
Session 14 2.00 – 3.30 p.m.	Discussion on negotiating blocs moderated by <i>Mr. Donald Kaniaru</i> and <i>Dr. Nicola Notaro</i>
3.30.- 4.00 p.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Session 15 4.00 – 4.30. p.m.	Access and Benefit Sharing in the context of Convention on Biological Diversity by <i>Ms. Maria Mbengashe</i> , Chief Director, South African Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism
Session 16 4.30 – 5.15 p.m.	Environmental negotiations by <i>Mr. Brook Boyer</i>
Session 17 5.15 – 5.45 p.m.	Introduction of the negotiation workshop by <i>Mr. Brook Boyer and Ms. Barbara Ruis</i> , Negotiation exercise prepared by UNITAR and UNEP – different groups will represent different countries and organizations and negotiate a common text
THURSDAY	29th June 2006
9.00 - 12.30 a.m.	Negotiation workshop (cont.)
12.30 - 2.00 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK
2.00 - 4.00 p.m.	Negotiation workshop (cont.)
4.00 - 4.30 p.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
4.30 - 6.00 p.m.	Negotiation workshop – Plenary
FRIDAY	30th June 2006
Session 18 8.00 a.m.	Departure for excursion from Pietermaritzburg
10.00 a.m.- 1.00 p.m.	Arrival to Giant's Castel Walk to Main Caves in two groups (10.00 -12.00 and 11.00 – 13.00)
1.30.-2.00 p.m.	Picnic lunch
2.00-4.00 p.m.	Drive to Didima
4.00 – 6.00 p.m.	Free time, relaxation, short walk
6.00 – 7.00 p.m.	Lecture on KwaZulu-Natal Wildlife by <i>Mr. Roger Porter</i> , KZN Wildlife
7.00 p.m. -	Dinner
SATURDAY	1st July 2006
7.00 – 9.00 a.m	Breakfast
9.00 – 11.00	Possibility to visit Rock art centre
11.00 – 13.00	Drive from Didima to Tala Game Reserve, game drive
1.30- 2.00	Picnic lunch in Tala Game Reserve
2.00-3.00 p.m.	Game drive (cont.)
3.00 – 5.00 p.m.	Phezulu Safari Village - crocodile/snake centre, Zulu dancing/show
5.00 p.m. -	Traditional Zulu dinner
8.30 p.m.	Arrival back in Pietermaritzburg
SUNDAY	2nd July 2006
	Free day

WEEK 2	
MONDAY	3rd July 2006
Session 19 9.00 – 10.00 a.m.	CBD and the Decade of Education for Sustainable Development by <i>Ms. Akpezi Ogbuigwe</i> , Head, Environmental Education and Training, UNEP
Session 20 10.00.- 10.30. a.m.	Liability and Redress in the Context of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety by <i>Ms. Maria Mbengashe</i>
10.30 – 11.00. a.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Session 21 11.00 - 12.30 p.m.	Traditional Knowledge and Biological Resources, including access and benefit sharing by <i>Ass. Prof. Loretta Feris</i> , University of Pretoria
12.30 - 2.00 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK
Session 22 2.00 - 3.00 p.m.	Establishing a National Policy framework for Implementation of the CBD by <i>Ms. Elizabeth Mrema</i> , Senior Legal Officer, UNEP
3.00 – 3.30 p.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Session 23 3.30 – 4.15 p.m.	Introduction to the compliance mechanisms under the MEAs by <i>Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen</i> , University of Joensuu
Session 24 4.15.-5.00 p.m.	Launch of the Negotiators Handbook by Introduction to the Handbook by <i>Mr. Cam Carruthers</i> , Senior Programme Officer, Compliance Programme, Climate Change Secretariat and former MEA Coordinator, Environment Canada
TUESDAY	4th July 2006
Session 25 9.00 - 10.00 a.m.	Introduction of the compliance simulation exercise by <i>Mr. Cam Carruthers</i>
10.30 - 11.00 a.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
11.00 – 12.30 p.m.	Compliance simulation exercise led by <i>Mr. Cam Carruthers</i>
12.45 - 2.00 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK
2.00 - 3.30 p.m.	Compliance simulation exercise (cont.)
3.30 - 4.00 p.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
4.00 - 5.30 p.m.	Compliance simulation exercise (cont.)
WEDNESDAY	5th July 2006
Session 26 8.30. a.m. -	Departure from University to Durban
9.30 a.m.	Arrival to South Durban for Toxic Tour
1.00 p.m.	Toxic Tour ends
1.30. p.m.	Arrive at Treasure Beach for lunch
2.30. p.m.	Treasure Beach talk and grassland walk
4.15. p.m.	Tea and biscuits
4.30 p.m.	Departure from Treasure Beach for Howard College (Durban campus of University of KwaZulu-Natal)

5.30 p.m.	Lecture by <i>Prof. John Mubangizi</i> , University of KwaZulu-Natal
6.45. p.m.	Departure for Famous Fish Co
7.30. p.m.	Dinner at famous Fish Co, Durban harbour hosted by the Finnish Ministry of the Environment and Ministry for Foreign Affairs and the University of Joensuu
9.30 p.m.	Departure for Pietermaritzburg
THURSDAY	6th July 2006
Session 27 9 – 10.30 a.m.	Preserving Marine Biodiversity with a special focus on the work under the Helsinki Convention by <i>Ms. Minna Pyhälä</i> , Scientific Assistant, Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission
10.30 - 11.30 a.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Session 28 11.00 - 12.30 p.m.	Financing of MEAs with a special focus on the Convention of Biological Diversity and its Protocol on Biosafety by <i>Mr. Matti Nummelin</i> , Senior Environmental Adviser, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland and <i>Mr. Robert Ondhowe</i> , DGEF, UNEP
12.30 - 2.00 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK
Session 29 2.00 - 2.45 p.m.	Coordination of national positions in connection with biodiversity-related international issues by <i>Ms. Marina von Weissenberg</i> , Senior Adviser, Ministry of the Environment of Finland
Session 30 2.45.-3.30. p.m.	Cooperation and Synergies with MEAs by <i>Ms. Kerstin Stendahl-Rechardt</i> , Senior Adviser, Ministry of the Environment of Finland
3.00 - 3.30 p.m.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Session 31 3.30- 5.30 p.m.	Interactive session on financing, national coordination and synergies moderated by <i>Mr Matti Nummelin</i> , <i>Mr. Robert Ondhowe</i> , <i>Ms. Marina von Weissenberg</i> and <i>Ms. Kerstin Stendahl-Rechardt</i>
FRIDAY	7th July 2006
Session 32 9.00 - 10.00 a.m.	Tour de table
Session 33 10.00 - 11.30 a.m.	Evaluation of the course chaired by <i>Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen</i> and <i>Ms. Elizabeth Mrema</i> Collection of evaluation forms Discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of the course - ways to improve the next course and training needs not addressed during the course
Session 34 11.30 - 12.30 p.m.	Awarding of certificates Closing remarks by: - Representative of KwaZulu-Natal University, <i>Prof. Michael Kidd</i> - Representative of UNEP, <i>Ms. Elizabeth Mrema</i> - Representative of the University of Joensuu, <i>Prof. Tuomas Kuokkanen</i>
12.30 p.m.	FAREWELL LUNCH