

University of Eastern Finland -
United Nations Environment Programme

Course on Multilateral Environmental Agreements



Effectiveness of Multilateral Environmental Agreements 21 November to 1 December 2016, Joensuu, Finland

Agenda as of 18 Nov

Monday, 21 November

| | UEF Law School, Yliopistokatu 2, Joensuu | Room |
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| 8:45-9:30 am | Registration & Coffee | |
| 9:30 am | Welcoming Remarks by UEF Academic Rector Mr. Jaakko Puhakka Welcoming Remarks by Elizabeth Mrema, Director, Division of Environmental Law, UNEP Welcoming Remarks by UEF Law School Prof. Harro van Asselt | AU100 |
| 10:30 am | Introduction of <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Resource Persons- Course Participants- Course Practicalities | |
| 12:00-2:00 pm | <i>Lunch</i> | |
| 2:00-2:30 pm | Official opening Welcoming remarks by the Ministries Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland & Ministry of the Environment Desk Officer, UN environmental policy, Marjaana Kokkonen | |

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| 2:30-3:30 pm #1 | Keynote Address Prof. Peter Sand, Institute of International Law, University of Munich: Effectiveness of MEAs: Theory and Practice | |
| 3:30 pm | Group photo of the 2016 Course | |
| 3:45-4:15 pm | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 4:15-5:15 pm #2 | Opening Lecture on the Special Theme Sylvia Bankobeza, Legal Officer, Division of Environmental Law and Conventions, UNEP: General introduction on aspects relating to the effectiveness of MEAs perspective | |
| 6:00 pm | Welcoming reception hosted by UEF and UNEP Aura Restaurant at the university | |

Tuesday, 22 November

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| 9:00-10:00 am #3 | Theme: Implementation Eugenia Recio, PhD candidate, UEF: National implementation of MEAs – Overview and discussion based on the preparatory task given to participants prior to the course | AU202 |
| 10:00-10:30 am | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 10:30-12:00 am #4 | Prof. Maria Ivanova, University of Massachusetts, Boston: Recent findings on the effectiveness of MEAs national reporting to MEAs/CoPs | |
| 12:00-1:00 pm | <i>Lunch</i> | |
| 1:00-2:30 pm #5 | Maria Manguiat, Senior Legal Officer, UNEP: Group work on the basis of a preparatory task given to participants prior to the course | AU111 |

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| 2:30-3:00 pm | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 3:00-4:30 pm #6 | <p>Theme: Compliance with and enforcement of MEAs</p> <p>Prof. Harro van Asselt and Maria Manguiat:</p> <p>Compliance mechanisms in the context of the climate/atmospheric MEAs – UNFCCC and Vienna Convention/Montreal Protocol</p> | |
| 4:30-6:00 pm #7 | <p>Prof. Malgosia Fitzmaurice, Queen Mary University of London:</p> <p>Compliance mechanism in the context of marine-environment-related MEAs</p> | |

Wednesday, 23 November

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| 9:00-10:00 am #8 | <p>Juliette Voinov Kohler, Legal and Policy Advisor, Head of the Legal and Governance Unit, Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam, and Stockholm Conventions:</p> <p>Compliance mechanisms in the context of chemical-related MEAs</p> | AU111 |
| 10:00-11:00 am #9 | <p>Prof. Elisa Morgera, Law School, University of Edinburgh:</p> <p>Compliance mechanisms in the context of biodiversity-related MEAs</p> | |
| 11:00-11:30 am | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 11:30-12:30 pm #10 | <p>Maria Manguiat:</p> <p>Enforcement and non-compliance, sanctions and dispute settlement in MEAs</p> | |
| 12:30-1:30 pm #11 | <p>Elizabeth Mrema:</p> <p>Summing up – Comparative review of compliance regimes in MEAs</p> | |
| 1:30-2:30 pm | <i>Lunch</i> | |
| 2:30-3:30 pm #12 | <p>ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION (moderated by Prof. Harro van Asselt) Maria Manguiat + Prof. Elisa Morgera + Juliette Voinov Kohler:</p> <p>Synergies and coherence among clusters/themes of MEAs at national and international levels</p> | |

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| 3:30-4:00 pm | Eva Duer, Legal Officer and Team Leader, Multilateral Environmental Agreements – Knowledge Management, Law Division, UN Environment: InforMEA – the United Nations Portal on Multilateral Environmental Agreements | |
| 4:00-4:30 pm | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 4:30-5:00 pm | Prof. Harro van Asselt: Instructions for the Negotiating simulation workshop | |
| 7:00 pm | Reception hosted by the City of Joensuu City Hall, Joensuu Rantakatu 20 | |

Thursday, 24 November

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| | Joensuu Science Park, Länsikatu 15, Joensuu | |
| 9:30am-5:00pm #13 | Theme: Negotiations management Dr. Kai Monheim, MPP Harvard Kennedy School, Visiting Fellow, London School of Economics and Political Science: Full day interactive workshop on negotiation skills and management | Temple of Challenge |
| 11:00-11:30 am | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 11:30-1:00 pm | <i>Negotiation skills and management workshop ... contd</i> | |
| 1:00-2:00 pm | <i>Lunch</i> | |
| 2:00-3:00 pm | <i>Negotiation skills and management workshop ... contd</i> | |
| 3:00-3:30 pm | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 3:30-5:00 pm | <i>Negotiation skills and management workshop ... contd</i> | |

Friday, 25 November – Excursion to Koli National Park

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| 8:00 am | Departure from Joensuu to Koli (75km). The bus collects participants from the hotels. Be ready at the hotel lobby at 8:00 sharp! | |
| 10:00-11:30 pm #14 | <i>(Coffee / tea served in the meeting room after arrival to Koli)</i> Barbara Ruis, Legal Officer, Regional Office for Europe, UNEP: Interactive workshop on drafting national legislation to implement an MEA | Koli Nature Centre Ukko 2 nd Floor |
| 11:30-12:30 pm | <i>Lunch</i> Opportunity to visit the Koli Heritage Exhibition displaying Koli's geological features, natural environment and culture <i>(Free of charge for the UEF-UNEP course participants & resource persons)</i> | |
| 12:30-2:00 pm #15 | Dr. Renuka Badhe, Executive Secretary, European Polar Board: Role of stakeholders (private sector and NGOs) in performance management and implementation of MEAs | |
| 2:00 pm | Checking in to Sokos Hotel Koli | |
| 2:30 #16 | The Circuit of the Tops – A guided 1,4 km walk in the Koli natural park Opportunity to visit the Koli Heritage Exhibition displaying Koli's geological features, natural environment and culture <i>(Free of charge for the UEF-UNEP course participants & resource persons)</i> | |
| 5:45 pm | Evening programme at the Koli Alamaja The bus to Alamaja leaves from the front of the hotel | |
| 6:00-8:00 pm | Finnish sauna – women first! | |
| 8:00 pm | Dinner | |
| 10:30 pm | The bus leaves back to the hotel from the front of the Alamaja | |

Saturday, 26 November

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| 10:30-12:00 am #17 | <p>Theme: Regional MEAs</p> <p>UEF Law School, University Researcher, Dr. Antti Belinskij and UEF Law School, docent Tuomas Kuokkanen:</p> <p>UNECE Water Convention</p> <p><i>Coffee / tea served in the meeting room around 11:30am</i></p> | Koli Nature Centre Ukko |
| 12:00-1:00 pm #18 | <p>Barbara Ruis:</p> <p>The Carpathian Convention and the Tehran Convention on the Caspian Sea</p> | |
| 1:00-2:00 pm | <i>Lunch</i> | |
| 2:00-3:30 pm #19 | <p>Prof. David VanderZwaag, Canada Research Chair in Ocean Law and Governance, Marine and Environmental Law Institute, Dalhousie University:</p> <p>Marine-pollution-related issues in the Arctic and Antarctica</p> | |
| 4:00 pm | Departure back to Joensuu | |

Sunday, 27 November – No Programme

Monday, 28 November

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| 9:00-10:30 am #20 | <p>Theme: Effectiveness of MEAs – practical aspects</p> <p>Anne Daniel, Department of Justice, Government of Canada:</p> <p>How to conduct an effectiveness evaluation of an individual MEA: A Case Study of the Stockholm Convention</p> | AU111 |
| 10:30-11:00 am | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 11:00-12:00 am #21 | <p>Anne Daniel:</p> <p>How to design effective MEA negotiations</p> | |
| 12:00-1:00 pm | <i>Lunch</i> | |

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| 1:00-3:30 pm <i>(incl. short break for approx. 15 min)</i> | How to design effective MEA negotiations ... <i>contd</i> | AU202 |
| 3:30-4:00 pm | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 4:00-5:30 pm #22 | Dr. Lothar Guending, attorney (retired), international consultant: Implementing SDGs through MEAs: possible synergies | |

Tuesday, 29 November

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| 9:00-10:30 am #23 | Negotiation simulation: The Minamata Convention on Mercury Claudia ten Have (PhD), Senior Programme Coordination Officer, Minamata Interim Secretariat: Introductory lecture on the Minamata Convention on Mercury | AU111 |
| 10:30-11:00 am | <i>Coffee/tea break</i> | |
| 11:00-12:00 am #24 | Anne Daniel: Negotiating Basics in the MEA context | |
| 12:00-1:00 pm | <i>Lunch</i> | |
| 1:00-3:00 pm #25 | Negotiation simulation Resource persons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Claudia ten Have - Anne Daniel - Barbara Ruis - Niko Urho, Senior Adviser, Administration and International Affairs/International and EU Affairs, Ministry of the Environment - Tuula Honkonen, Postdoctoral researcher, UEF Law School | AU111 additional rooms: AU104 AU105 AU270 |
| 3:00-3:30 pm | <i>Coffee/tea break at restaurant Aura</i> | |
| 3:30-5:00 pm | Negotiation simulation ... <i>contd</i> | |

Wednesday, 30 November

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| 10:00-10:30 am | Negotiating workshop ... <i>contd</i> | AU206 additional rooms, CARELIA building, UEF library, 2nd and 3rd floor: 2A1 2A2 CK216 |
| 10:30-11:00 am | <i>Coffee/tea break at restaurant Aura</i> | |
| | Negotiating workshop ... <i>contd</i> | |
| 12:00-1:00 pm | <i>Lunch</i> | |
| 1:00-3:00 pm | Negotiating workshop ... <i>contd</i> | |
| 3:00-3:30 pm | <i>Coffee/tea break at restaurant Aura</i> | |
| 3:30-5:00 pm | Negotiating workshop ... <i>contd</i> | |
| 6:00 pm | <p>Reception hosted by the Ministry of the Environment of Finland Niko Urho</p> <p>Vainoniemi Villa, Joensuu Vainoniementie 3</p> <p>Taxi/car transport for those who don't wish to walk (2,5 km). Be ready at the hotel lobby at 5:40 pm.</p> | |
| 6:00-8:00 pm | Finnish sauna – women first! | |
| 8:00 pm | Dinner | |

Thursday, 1 December

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| 8:30-9:30 am | Course feedback discussion. Please remember to return the evaluation forms <i>Coffee / tea served in the meeting room at 8:30</i> | AU206 |
| 9:30-9:45 am | UEF-UNEP Course Review | |
| 9:45-10:00 am | <i>Break for 15 min</i> | |
| 10:00-10:30 pm | Issuance of Course Certificates and Graduation | |
| 10:30 pm | <i>Lunch & goodbye</i> | |