

University of Eastern Finland -
United Nations Environment Programme

**Course on Multilateral
Environmental Agreements**



**University of Eastern Finland –
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15th Course on Multilateral Environmental Agreements:
*The Environment and Human Rights***

Monday, 20 August 2018

	Venue: University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu Campus Yliopistokatu 2, Aurora II	Room
8:40-9:00	<i>Registration</i>	AU100
9:00-10:00	Welcoming Remarks and Introductory Note UN Environment Ministries UEF Law	
10:00-11:00 #1	Introduction to Course Participants + Introductory Exercise Seita Romppanen and Sabaa Ahmad Khan	
11:00-11:15	Group photo of the 2018 Course	
11:15-11:45	<i>Coffee</i>	
11:45-12:45 #2	Keynote Address: Environmental Protection and Human Rights in International Law Paolo Farah , Professor, West Virginia University	

12:45-13:45	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:45-15:00 #3	Presentation: The Environment in the UN Human Rights System Jamshid Gaziyeu, OHCHR	
15:00-15:30	<i>Coffee</i>	
15:30-17:00 #4	Video Screening: UN Environment's Environmental Rights Initiative (3 minutes) Presentation: The Human Rights and Environment Nexus/Human Rights Based Approach to Environmental Protection and MEAs Arnold Kreilhuber, UN Environment	
18:30	<i>Reception hosted by UN Environment and UEF at Restaurant Aura</i>	

Tuesday, 21 August

	Venue: University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu Campus	Room
10:00-11:00 #5	Opening Lecture: Introduction to Human Rights in MEAs and Environment in HR Instruments Ben Boer, Wuhan University Law School	AU100
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee</i>	
11:30-13:00 #6	Lecture: The Environment in Constitutions James May, Widener University, Delaware Law School	
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00-15:00 #7	Interactive Discussion on Climate Change and the Human Right to Water James May Ben Boer Paolo Farah *UEF moderator: Sabaa Ahmad Khan, UEF	

15:00-15:30	<i>Coffee</i>	
15:30-17:00	Interactive Discussion (continued)	

Wednesday, 22 August

	Venue: University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu Campus	Room AU100
9:30-10:30 #8	Lecture: SDGs and Environmental Human Rights James May , Widener University, Delaware Law School	
10:30-11:00 #9	The Global Pact on the Environment Charlotta Von Troil , Ministry of the Environment of Finland	
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee</i>	
11:30-12:30 #10	Development of environmental rights in the Asia Pacific Region Ben Boer , Wuhan University Law School	
12:30-13:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:30-14:30 #11	Roundtable Discussion on Business and Human Rights: Mainstreaming Corporate Environmental Accountability Paolo Farah Sabina Timco , UN Environment Finance Initiative Prof. Armand de Mestral , McGill University Nora Götzmann , Danish Institute for Human Rights Rosemary Mwanza , University of Eastern Finland *UEF moderator: Sabaa Ahmad Khan, UEF	
14:30-15:00	<i>Coffee</i>	

15:00-17:00	Roundtable Discussion (continued)	
18:00	<i>Reception hosted by the City of Joensuu at Botania Garden (Address: Heinäpurontie 70)</i>	

Thursday, 23 August

	Venue: Joensuu Science Park Länsikatu 15	Room
10:00-11:00 #12	Environmental Human Rights in Finance, Trade and Investment Part 1: Corporate Accountability Nora Götzmann, Danish Institute for Human Rights	Temple of Challenge
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee</i>	
11:30-13:00 #13	Part 2: Environmental Human Rights & Investor-State Arbitration Prof. Armand de Mestral, McGill University	
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00-15:30 #14	Substantive & Procedural Environmental Human Rights in specific MEAs (Part 1): Biodiversity Convention Prof. Konstantia Koutouki, Université de Montréal	
15:30-16:00	<i>Coffee</i>	
16:00-17:30 #15	Substantive & Procedural Environmental HRs (Part 2): Chemicals and Waste treaties and Minamata Convention Saba Khan, UEF Prof. Konstantia Koutouki, Université de Montréal Anne Daniel, Government of Canada (former)	

Friday, 24 August

	Venue: University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu Campus	Room
10:00-11:00 #16	Substantive & Procedural Environmental HR in specific MEAs (Part 3): Climate Change and Human Rights Annalisa Savaresi, University of Sterling	AU100
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee</i>	
11:30-12:30 #17	Fair and Equitable Benefit-Sharing (online lecture via skype) Elisa Morgera, University of Strathclyde	
12:30-13:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:30-15:30	Transfer to Koli	
	<i>Coffee served at the Nature Centre Ukko before the dialogue</i>	
15:30-17:00 #18	Dialogue on Environmental Human Rights in Regional Systems Stephen Stec, Central European University Eugenia Recio, UEF Jona Razzaque, University of the West of England *UEF moderator: Harro van Asselt, UEF	Auditorium at the Nature Centre Ukko
While at Koli the participants and resource persons have the opportunity to visit the Koli Heritage Exhibition at Nature Centre Ukko free of charge. The Exhibition displays Koli's geological features, natural environment and culture. Opening hours 10–17 on Saturday and Sunday.		
17:30-18:30 #19	Circuit of the Tops	
19:30	Traditional Finnish sauna & dinner at Koli Alamaja	

	(Bus transfer from the hotel leaves at 19:15, it is also possible to walk to the Koli Alamaja – it is a downhill walk of approx 2 km. Bus back to the hotel leaves 11 pm).	
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Saturday, 25 August

	Venue: Koli	Room
10:00-11:30 #20	<p>Video Screening by UN Environment: Pollution and Human Rights (6 minutes)</p> <p>Dialogue on Community Environmental Empowerment and the Role of Law</p> <p>Stephen Stec, Central European University</p> <p>Prof. Konstantia Koutouki, Université de Montréal</p> <p>Eugenia Recio, UEF</p> <p>*UEF moderator: Sabaa Ahmad Khan, UEF</p>	Lecture room Mustari ntanen
11:30-12:30	Lunch	
12:30-14:00 #21	<p>Negotiating Basics</p> <p>Anne Daniel</p>	
14:00	Transfer to Joensuu	

Sunday, 26 August – No Programme

Monday, 27 August

	Venue: University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu Campus	Room AU100
10:00-11:30 #22	<p>Interactive session on the Negotiator's Handbook in small groups</p> <p>Sabaa Ahmad Khan</p>	

11:30-12:00	<i>Coffee</i>	
12:00-13:00 #23	Negotiation skills in detail Anne Daniel	
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00-15:30	Treaty-making process Anne Daniel	
15:30-16:00	<i>Coffee</i>	
16:00-17:00 #24	Introduction to Negotiation Exercise Tuula Honkonen	

Tuesday, 28 August

	Venue: University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu Campus	Room
10:00-11:00 #25	Negotiation Exercise	AU100
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee</i>	
11:30-12:30	Negotiation Exercise (continued)	AU202, AU203, AU204, AU270
12:30-13:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:00-15:00	Negotiation Exercise (continued)	
15:00-15:30	<i>Coffee</i>	

15:30-17:00	Negotiation Exercise (continued)	
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Wednesday, 29 August

	Venue: University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu Campus	Room
10:00-11:00	Negotiation Exercise (continued)	AU202, AU203, AU204, AU111
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee</i>	
11:30-13:00	Negotiation Exercise (continued)	
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00-16:00	Negotiation Exercise (continued)	
16:00-16:30	<i>Coffee</i>	
16:30-17:30	Negotiation Exercise (continued)	AU100
19:00	<i>Last evening get-together / reception hosted by the Ministry of Environment of Finland at Vainoniemi Villa (Address: Vainoniementie 3)</i>	

Thursday, 30 August

	<i>Morning coffee</i>	
8:30-9:30	Negotiation Exercise: Wrap-up & evaluation	
9:30-9:45	Introduction to the UEF-UN Environment Course Review Seita Romppanen	
9:45-10:30	Course Feedback & Evaluation Issuance of Course Certificates and Graduation	

10:30	<i>Early lunch & goodbye</i>	
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