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The lectures were delivered by experienced hands-on diplomats, government officials and members of academia. The Course is an event designed for experienced government officials engaged in international environmental negotiations. In addition, other stakeholders such as representatives of non-governmental organizations and the private sector may apply and be selected to attend the Course. Researchers and academics in the field are also eligible.

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