

**University of Eastern Finland –  
United Nations Environment Programme  
20<sup>th</sup> Course on Multilateral Environmental Agreements:  
*Critical Energy Transition Minerals***

Monday, 1 June 2026

Time	<b>Venue: Home Hotel Jugend, Dahlia room</b>
9:00-9:30	<i>Registration</i>
9:30-10:15	<p><i>Welcoming Remarks</i></p> <p><b>Ms Lauratuulia Lehtinen</b>, Deputy Director General for the Development Policy Department, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland</p> <p><b>Ms Kerstin Stendahl</b>, Special Envoy on Environment Security at the Ministry of the Environment of Finland</p> <p><b>Ms Patricia Kameri-Mbote</b>, Director, Law Division, United Nations Environment Programme (online)</p> <p><b>Dr Kati Kulovesi</b>, Professor of International Law and Co-Director, Center for Climate Change, Energy and Environmental Law (CCEEL), UEF Law School.</p>
10:15-11:00 #1 Keynote	<p><i>Keynote #1: Governance of Critical Energy Transition Minerals: the Social Dimensions</i></p> <p><b>Ms Alva Bruun</b>, Specialist, Mineral Economy Solutions, Geological Survey of Finland</p>
11:00-11:15	<i>Coffee</i>
11:15-12:00 #2 Keynote	<p><i>Keynote #2: Governing the Transition: The MEA Framework and Critical Energy Transition Minerals</i></p> <p><b>Ms Angela Kariuki</b>, Head of Climate Section and InforMEA Initiative Team Lead, Law Division of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)</p>
12:00-13:00	<i>Lunch</i>
13:00-13:45 #3	<i>Introduction to the course, course resource persons and course participants</i>

13:45-14:15	<i>Coffee</i>
14:15-14:30	Group photo
14:30-16:30 #4	<i>Introduction to the course, course resource persons and course participants</i>
19:00 – 21:00	<i>Welcome Dinner - Home Hotel Jugend</i>

## Tuesday, 2 June 2026

	<b>Venue: Home Hotel Jugend, Dahlia room</b>
9:15-10:45 Lecture #5	<i>Introduction to international environmental governance principles and environmental rule of law in extractives and resource governance</i>  <b>Ms Lais Paiva Siqueira</b> , Legal Officer, Law Division of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
10:45-11:00	<i>Coffee</i>
11:00-12:00 Lecture #6	<i>Critical Energy Transition Minerals: Circularity I</i>  <b>Ms Elisa Tonda</b> , Chief, Industry Innovation Branch, Industry and Economy Division, UNEP
12:00-13:00	<i>Lunch</i>
13:00 – 14:30 Lecture #7	<i>Critical Energy Transition Minerals: Circularity II</i>  <b>Ms Elisa Tonda</b> , Chief, Industry Innovation Branch, Industry and Economy Division, UNEP
14:30 – 14:45	<i>Coffee</i>
14:45 – 16:00 Lecture	<i>Critical Raw Materials, Transition and EU Law: Legal Perspectives on Sustainability, Security and Governance</i>

#8	<b>Dr Seita Vesa</b> , Professor of Environmental Law, Center for Climate, Energy and Environmental Law (CCEEL), UEF Law School and Principal Researcher, Finnish Environment Institute, Climate Solutions.
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### Wednesday, 3 June 2026

	<b>Venue: Finlandia Hall, Mannerheimintie 13e, 00100 Helsinki, Meeting rooms 22-23</b>
8:25	Pickup from Home Hotel Jugend. Tram to the Finlandia Hall
9:15-10:15 Lecture #9	<i>Introduction to Multilateral Environmental Negotiations (Online)</i> <b>Mr Stadler Trengove</b> , Principal Legal Officer, Law Division, United Nations Environment Programme
10:15-10:30	<i>Coffee</i>
10:30– 12:00 Lecture #10	<i>Governing Critical Energy Transition Minerals through International Environmental Law and African Policy Frameworks</i> <b>Dr Marit Kitaw</b> , United Nations Economic Commission for Africa – UNECA
12:00 – 13:00	<i>Lunch</i>
13:00 – 14:30 Lecture #11	<i>Critical Minerals Diplomacy in Practice: Negotiating Value Chains, Standards, and Equity</i> <b>Dr Marit Kitaw</b> , United Nations Economic Commission for Africa - UNECA
14:30 – 14:45	<i>Coffee</i>
14:45-16:15 Group exercise # 12	<i>Interactive group exercise in a real-life scenario</i> <b>Ms Angela Kariuki, Ms Lais Paiva Siqueira, Ms Chiara Magrelli</b> , United Nations Environment Programme

## Thursday, 4 June 2026

Time	<b>Venue: Suomenlinna Island, Bastion Bistro, Dagmar Sali</b>
8:45	<i>Group pick-up from Home hotel Jugend to take tram to Suomenlinna ferry terminal 20 minutes), ferry to Suomenlinna Island (15 minutes), walking from harbour to Dagmar Sali (450m/7 minutes)</i>  <u>Ferry departure times:</u> 9:20 arriving at 9:35
9:45-11:00  Lecture  #13	<i>Scientific background of Critical Energy Transition Minerals</i>  <b>Dr Izabella Teixeira</b> , Co-Chair of the International Resource Panel of the United Nations Environment (IRP/UNEP)
11:00-11:15	<i>Coffee</i>
11:15 – 12:45  Lecture  #14	<i>Policy implementation</i>  <b>Dr Izabella Teixeira</b> , Co-Chair of the International Resource Panel of the United Nations Environment (IRP/UNEP)
12:45 – 13:45	<i>Lunch</i>
13:45 – 15:15  Lecture #15	<i>Introduction to the negotiating exercise</i>  <b>Dr Tuula Honkonen</b> , Senior Lecturer in International Environmental Law, CCEEL, UEF Law School
15:15 – 15:30	<i>Coffee</i>
15:30 – 17:00  Group work  #16	<i>Group Work on Critical Energy Transition Minerals governance</i>  <b>Dr Maria Eugenia Recio</b> , CCEEL, UEF Law School
17:10-19:00	<i>Tour of Suomenlinna Island and return to Helsinki city center</i>

## Friday, 5 June 2026

	<b>Venue: Home Hotel Jugend, Dahlia room</b>
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<p>9:30-11:00</p> <p>Lecture</p> <p>#17</p>	<p><i>Managing Environmental and Accident Risks of Critical Energy Transition Minerals and Tailings: The Industrial Accidents Convention</i></p> <p><b>Mr Joseph Orangias</b>, Environmental Affairs Officer, Secretariat of the Industrial Accidents Convention, Environment and Forests Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)</p>
<p>11:00 – 11:15</p>	<p><i>Coffee</i></p>
<p>11:15 – 12:15</p> <p>Panel</p> <p>#18</p>	<p><i>Indigenous, local, human rights and civil society perspective on critical energy transition minerals</i></p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p><b>Dr Yulia Yamineva</b>, Associate Professor, International law, specialised in climate law and policy, University of Eastern Finland</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p><b>Ms. Elina Mikola</b>, Advisor, Climate and Environment, Amnesty Finland</p> <p><b>Dr Izabella Teixeira</b>, Co-Chair of the International Resource Panel of the United Nations Environment (IRP/UNEP)</p> <p><b>Dr Lasse Peltonen</b>, Professor, environmental governance, conflict resolution</p>
<p>12:15 – 13:15</p>	<p><i>Lunch</i></p>
<p>13:15 – 14:15</p> <p>Panel</p> <p>#19</p>	<p><i>Critical Energy Transition Minerals governance, including policy, trade and security</i></p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p><b>Ms Angela Kariuki</b>, Head of Climate Section and InforMEA Initiative Team Lead, Law Division of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p><b>Ms Malena Sell-Mylyoja</b>, Senior Ministerial Adviser, Trade and Commerce, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland</p> <p><b>Dr Hermann Aubié</b>, Senior Researcher Center for Climate Change, Energy and Environmental Law</p> <p><b>Mr Antti Rauhala</b>, Programme Manager, Economic Security Forum</p>
<p>14:15 – 14:30</p>	<p><i>Coffee</i></p>

14:30 – 16:00  Lecture  #20	<i>From Risk to Action: A Dialogue on Managing CETM and Tailings Accidents</i>  <b>Mr Joseph Orangias</b> , Environmental Affairs Officer, Secretariat of the Industrial Accidents Convention, Environment and Forests Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)
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## Saturday, 6 June 2026

	<b>Venue: Home Hotel Jugend, Dahlia room</b>
10:00-11:30  Lecture  #21	<i>Convention on Biological Diversity: biodiversity and human rights implications for just transition minerals</i>  <b>Ms Elisa Morgera</b> , UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and Climate Change. Professor of International Law at Durham University and Professor at Center for Climate Change, Energy and Environmental Law, CCEEL.
11:30 – 11:45	<i>Coffee</i>
11:45-12:30  #22	Climate litigation and critical minerals in Latin America  <b>Dr Maria Eugenia Recio</b> , CCEEL, UEF Law School
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>

## Sunday, 7 June 2026 – No Programme

## Monday, 8 June 2026

	<b>Venue: Home Hotel Jugend, Dahlia room</b>
9:15-11:00  Lecture  #23	<i>Nexus planning: MEA synergies for a sustainable approach to energy transition minerals</i>  <b>Ms Elisa Morgera</b> , United Nations Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and Climate Change. Professor of International Law at Durham University and Professor at Center for Climate Change, Energy and Environmental Law, CCEEL
11:00-11:15	<i>Coffee</i>
11:15 – 12:15	Introduction to UNEA dynamics (online)

Lecture #24	<b>Mr Stadler Trengove</b> , UNEP Principal Legal Adviser
12:15 – 13:15	<i>Lunch</i>
13:15 – 14:30 Lecture #25	<i>Multilateral Environmental Negotiations: Preparation, Strategy and Drafting</i> <b>Mr Gonzalo Guaiquil</b> , Career diplomat with Chile's Foreign Service, currently serving as Consul of Chile in Brasilia and adviser to the Chair of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on Plastic Pollution (INC). Course alumni (2024)
14:30 – 14:45	<i>Coffee</i>
14:45 – 16:30 - 45 Lecture #26	<i>Drafting exercise</i> <b>Mr Gonzalo Guaiquil</b> , Career diplomat with Chile's Foreign Service, currently serving as Consul of Chile in Brasilia and adviser to the Chair of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on Plastic Pollution (INC). Course alumni (2024)
17:00 – 20:00	<i>Excursion: Helsinki walking tour</i>

## Tuesday, 9 June 2026

	<b>Venue: Home Hotel Jugend, Dahlia room</b>
9:15-9:45	<b>Negotiating Simulation: Opening plenary</b>
9:45-11:15	<b>Negotiation Simulation 1</b>
11:15-11:30	<i>Coffee</i>
11:30-12:30	<b>Negotiation Simulation 2</b>
12:30-13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30-15:00	<b>Negotiation Simulation 3</b>
15:00-15:30	<i>Coffee</i>

15:30-17:00	<b>Negotiation Simulation 4</b>
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### Wednesday, 10 June 2026

	<b>Venue: Home Hotel Jugend, Dahlia room</b>
9:00-11:00	<b>Negotiation Simulation 5</b>
11:00-11:15	<i>Coffee</i>
11:15-12:45	<b>Negotiation Simulation 6</b>
12:45-13:45	<i>Lunch</i>
13:45-14:45	<b>Negotiation Simulation: Closing plenary (Dahlia room)</b>
14:45-15:00	<i>Coffee</i>
15:00-16:40	<b>Negotiation Simulation: Feedback session</b>
16:40-17:00	<i>Diploma award</i>  <b>Ms. Soili Kangaskorpi</b> , Ambassador for Climate and Environment, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
17:00-17:15	<b>Evaluation form</b>
19:00 – 21:00	<i>Farewell dinner: Restaurant to be announced</i>