

# Unitar Online Catalogue

# Climate Change Negotiations and Health - Webinar 2

# Multilateral Diplomacy

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Type: Webinar

Location: Web-based

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Duration: 1 Days

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Partnership: World Health Organization (WHO)

## **BACKGROUND**

This webinar is the second of two webinars offered as part of the WHO, UNITAR and UN CC: Learn online course on Climate Change Negotiations and Health.

It is increasingly evident that environmental challenges have an impact on human health, reinforcing existing risks. For instance, it is estimated that climate change will cause around 250,000 additional deaths per year between 2030 and 2050 – linked to issues ranging from malnutrition to heat stress, with direct costs to health expected to be between USD 2-4 billion/year by 20301. Also, the current COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the important interlinkages between human health and the state of our environment and economies.

With recognition of the growing importance of the connection between health and the state of the environment as one of the fundamental issues of our time, WHO, UNITAR and UN CC:Learn built on past collaboration to develop a new Climate Change Negotiations and Health online course aimed at strengthening understanding of the interlinkages between climate and health, with particular reference to the international climate change policy process. Specifically, the course aims to support delegates attending the 26th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) as well as the professionals involved in the development and implementation of national climate change and health policies.

During this course, participants have the opportunity to attend two webinars on negotiation skills. The webinars aim at improving participants' analytical and interpersonal skills in their continual negotiations to make sure they do first things first. It is important to prepare before action, especially when strong coalitions and consensus are needed, and to improve the quality of relationships, internally through the mandate, and externally with relevant stakeholders, before any other action. Negotiating the process and agenda is needed before dealing with problems and issues. In a meeting, negotiators must also communicate effectively, and use effective listening before speaking, asking relevant questions before presenting persuasive arguments. They also need to identify common platforms with others, before they express their own demands. In other words, participants will become more aware of how they behave in negotiation contexts, and whether or not they should behave the same way, or differently

# **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

After completing the two webinars, participants should be able to:

- Increase their awareness about the complexity in multilateral negotiations;
- Learn how to facilitate consensus-building;

• Analyse decision-making and negotiation processes through a case study on climate change negotiations and health.

#### CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

# **Agenda: Webinar 2**

- Welcome and Introduction
- Current challenges on multi-party negotiation on climate change negotiations and health
- Simulation Exercise
- Debriefing, Concluding Remarks and Webinar Closure

This webinar will last 90 minutes and take place at 3 PM CET.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

The webinar will take place on the platform Zoom. The webinar will be interactive and allow participants to develop not only knowledge, but also practical skills and a helpful negotiation mindset. The webinar will draw on real life negotiation examples related to climate change negotiations and health to showcase how theory can be translated into practice. The material presented in the webinar will be interactive and assignments will be given for participants to further advance their knowledge. Background and supporting materials will be uploaded on the course platform so participants can access them prior to the webinar. For those participants that cannot attend the webinar, a video recording will be made available at the end of the webinar. The webinar recording will be published on the course platform.

## TARGETED AUDIENCE

!!! Only students enrolled in Climate Change Negotiations and Health online course can register for this activity !!!

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## **Expert**

The webinar will be taught by Ana Maria Kleymeyer. Ana Maria Kleymeyer is an international law and policy advisor to governments and global institutions on environmental protection and sustainable development. She specializes in climate change, ozone layer protection, and transboundary water resources management. In addition, she designs and delivers capacity building programs and technical assistance geared to strengthen countries' abilities to address these topics increasingly on their own. Ms. Kleymeyer provides advice to governments in the climate and ozone treaty negotiations to support countries' active, informed, and strategic engagement on past, current, and new topics. She supports implementation of the global treaties and national policy development through policy assessment and design, project identification and development, and resource mobilization. She provides similar support to regional river basin organizations, addressing an array of water-related priorities, including climate change, at a regional level. Over her career, she has worked on environmental compliance and water resources management for the World Bank; and she was Senior Advisor to the Secretary of Environment in the Argentine Ministry of Sustainable Development, where she created and headed the Office of International Affairs as well as led the Argentine delegation in negotiations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Kyoto Protocol. Later, she served as Senior Advisor for Climate Change to a global think tank focusing on trade and sustainable development, after which she created her own independent consulting platform and began focusing on advisory services, capacity building, and training. Her current clients include the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, the United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Environment, the United Nations Climate Change Learning platform (UN-CCLearn), the United Nations Institute for Research and Training, the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe's International Water Convention office. Ms. Kleymeyer holds a Juris Doctor degree from American University's Washington College of Law, a Masters in sustainable development from the International Institute for Development Studies (IUED, Geneva), and a Bachelor of A rts from Wesleyan University.

# **Technical Requirements**

Stable internet connection

- Speakers and a microphone
- A webcam or HD webcam
- Or, a HD cam or HD camcorder with video capture card