

Multilateral Environmental Agreement Training

What?	Workshops and courses on international environmental law
For whom?	Developing and developed country national officers and negotiators
Why?	To help understand IEL, set national priorities and influence negotiations, implement MEAs at national level
Where?	London, anywhere in the world or online
For how long?	From a few days to a week
Why FIELD?	Leading international environmental lawyers for more than 20 years
Course example	http://www.field.org.uk/news/meas-explained

FIELD provides training on international environmental law and Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) to developing countries and others.

MEAs are becoming increasingly complicated. National officials and others have a growing need to understand the implications for their countries.

Officials must brief decision-makers on national priorities, influence international negotiations and implement MEAs at the national level. FIELD helps developing countries build this vital capacity.

Workshops – objectives and content

FIELD's learner-centred workshops focus on developing the substantive knowledge and practical skills necessary for MEAs and MEA negotiations.

For example, FIELD offers national and regional workshops or courses which cover:

- international environmental law in general;
- MEAs such as the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), the Convention to Combat Desertification (CCD) and chemicals conventions;
- a single MEA or issue, such as the UNFCCC or oceans governance; and
- the negotiating process and negotiating "etiquette".

FIELD is happy to work with countries or organisations to design a tailor-made workshop or training programme.

For example, an MEA workshop could include the following modules:

Module	Learning Objective Participants will be able to...
<i>Introduction to International Environmental Law (IEL)</i> covers the history, principles and concepts of international environmental law.	Discuss the major principles and milestones of IEL and how MEAs become domestic law.
<i>Multilateral Environmental Agreements</i> provides an overview of several major MEAs and the ongoing negotiations under each.	Explain the significant provisions and legal obligations in several major MEAs.
<i>International Environmental Negotiations</i> covers the international negotiation process and negotiation techniques.	Prepare briefs for MEA negotiations and participate effectively in negotiating sessions.

An example of a workshop delivered by FIELD can be found at <http://www.field.org.uk/news/meas-explained>.

Methodology

To promote active learning FIELD includes a wide variety of hands-on exercises in workshops and courses.

For example, group activities, case studies and negotiation simulations. Workshops and courses range in length from a few days to a week depending on the material covered.

FIELD would be happy to provide a sample workshop outline or design an outline which fits your needs. FIELD would be pleased to work with countries to fundraise jointly for workshops or courses.

About FIELD

FIELD is a team of specialist international environmental lawyers based in London.

We have a wide range of experience from government, international organisations such as the United Nations, environmental campaigning organisations, grassroots groups and the private sector.

We have worked in high-level international environmental negotiations and on the ground in developing countries to help local communities participate in environmental decision-making.

We all share a common commitment – to work for a better world. We believe strongly that creating effective international environmental law is an essential part of solving global environmental problems.

Further questions

If you would like to know more about our workshops, please get in touch at field@field.org.uk.

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