

Course Syllabus

Droit international du climat: à l'intérieur de l'Accord de Paris

International Climate Law: Inside the Paris Agreement

Name of the Instructor	Hugues HELLIO
Course Language	French: <i>Droit international du climat: à l'intérieur de l'Accord de Paris</i> (English if imperative)
Type of Class Arrangement	Type E : July 6 to 17, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:00-12:00
Course description and Objectives	The course aims at a detailed knowledge of climate change (scientific data: origin, strength, consequences), diplomacy and international climate law (UNFCCC 1992, Kyoto Protocol 1997) and especially the Paris Agreement adopted in 2015. It aims to understand the international negotiation process of the COP 21, the diplomatic positions of the main actors (China, United States, European Union, developing countries,...) but also the legal results obtained and more largely the legal mechanics of the Paris Agreement. It is imperative to understand and know the critical role of the ambition of the Paris Agreement as well as the nature, function and expected evolution of the Nationally determined contributions (NDC). More broadly, the course examines the issues for citizens of all countries to fight against climate change by changing very quickly in the coming years their individual behaviors. Issues will also be addressed with economic and trade issues and aspects of climate litigation in various countries.
Topic(s)	Climate changes, International environmental law, Geopolitics, Paris Agreement, Ambition, Nationally determined contributions (NDC), Individual practices and duties, Economic and trade issues, Climate litigation
Teaching Methods	Initial format of lecture on the general elements and framing of international climate law. Progressive evolution towards seminars with active participation of students and exchanges of points of view.
Assessment	10% class participation 90% final essay paper
Required and/or recommended Readings	<u>Prerequisites:</u> Ideal: studies of international environmental law Possible: basic knowledge of law, especially international law Minimum: interest in international relations and protection of the environment <u>Required readings:</u> UNFCCC (in chinese: https://unfccc.int/files/essential_background/convention/background/application/pdf/unfccc_chinese.pdf) Paris Agreement (in chinese: https://unfccc.int/files/essential_background/convention/application/pdf/chinese_paris_agreement.pdf) <u>Recommended reading:</u> communicated later