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TOGETHER FOR
IMPLEMENTATION



The National Implementation of the Paris Agreement

Course Syllabus

Context

The main objective of the international climate change regime established under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is to limit dangerous anthropogenic interference with the climate system. Domestic legislation is the key to regulate, structure, and implement climate change actions to meet this objective.

Learning Objectives

This course provides guidance on the overarching climate change laws that governments can implement to establish bodies and frameworks for addressing climate change. It also provides examples of mitigation and adaptation legislation across a range of sectors.

After completing this course, you will be able to:

1. Analyse the rationale for parties to the UNFCCC and Paris Agreement to incorporate climate considerations within legally binding national instruments.
2. Identify and describe the specific actions that parties to the Paris Agreement should undertake regarding climate change adaptation and mitigation.
3. Evaluate various types of legal instruments appropriate across a range of sectors and governmental structures and key features and examples of many of these.
4. Outline and comprehend the reporting requirements of the Paris Agreement.
5. Describe examples of the societal, financial, technical, and international challenges in establishing and implementing legally binding instruments, and solutions to those.

Content & Duration

This e-learning course consists of 5 modules followed by a final assessment. It will take 1-3 hours to complete the course depending on how deeply you explore the three sectors (Modules 2-4). This is a self-paced course that allows you to manage your time as you wish. You do not have to complete the entire course at once. Your progress is recorded where you pause, so you can restart from this point.

Completion Certificate

Take the final quiz at the end of the course to demonstrate comprehension of the course materials. You are required to answer at least 70% of the assessment questions correctly within three attempts to earn a course certificate.

Course Outline & Content

Module 1: The Implementation Regime, explains the goals of the Paris Agreement, the increasing levels of action needed to address climate change, and why overarching climate change framework laws are necessary.

Module 2: Implementing in the Energy Sector, presents legal instruments for the energy sector.

Module 3: Addressing Climate Change in the Natural Resources Sectors, presents legal instruments to address climate change in the natural resources sector.

Module 4: Addressing Climate Change in Cities, presents legal instruments to address climate change in Urban Systems.

Module 5: Implementing the Supporting Legal Infrastructure, addresses challenges to implementing the obligations of the Paris Agreement.