

# Negotiation Simulation

## **Negotiating Climate Change: Theory and Practice (coordinators: Jack Williams and Sebastien Duyck)**

Negotiations aimed at addressing climate change are a complex process involving private and public actors from the local to the global level. The long-term nature of climate change and the economy-wide changes required to reduce carbon emissions adds to this complexity with many actors focusing upon their short-term interests.

This set of workshops will explore the political, legal and economic aspects of negotiations in general and specifically those taking place through the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The first set of workshops will focus upon negotiation theory and practice while the second set will provide students with an understanding of the mechanisms involved at the local and international level to enact legislation as well as looking at how external developments can influence actors interests.

The culmination of the series will be a half-day negotiation simulation, modeled on discussions through the UNFCCC, where students will address some of the issues left unresolved by the Paris Agreement. In preparation for this simulation students will be assigned teams and asked to prepare their negotiation position.