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American University, Washington College of Law Environmental Law Summer 2012 Session

1) **Place of Study:** Washington, DC, United States

2) **Coordinators:** Geoff Johnson y Erika Lennon.
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3) **Modality:** On site

4) **Start and end dates:** May 29 to June 2, 2012

5) **Duration of the course:** One (1) week

6) **Language:** English

7) **Objectives:** Train future leaders of developing countries to acquire the tools required to achieve a comprehensive overview of the issues of trade and environment in the context of the sustainable development agenda. Also, at the end of the course participants will have the skills to negotiate and implement international trade agreements that include provisions or have environmental implications with a view to sustainable development.

The course is designed for students with a bachelor's degree seeking a specialization in trade-environment issues. Thus promotes human capital development in the area of trade and the environment. The course provides practical tools for identifying the intersections between trade and environment, the dimensions of international trade, ways of compliance and enforcement of environmental obligations. Moreover they will acquire the necessary tools for negotiating trade agreements related to the environment, they will learn the fundamentals aspects for the implementation of treaties and agreements related to the environment through a simulation of a negotiation.

The course offers the opportunity for integration and discussion towards the strengthening of regional cooperation networks in the area of trade and environment.

Finally, the course offers the participants a platform to share experiences and identify needs and opportunities for cooperation between them in the area of trade and environment.

8) **Content:**

This program will address the main issues on the agenda of trade and environment, from both a multilateral and regional perspective. Through a series of modules in the program, important areas of trade law and international environmental law and domestic policy are highlighted with the technical issues involving the relationship between trade and environment.

9) Requirements:

1. To be a citizen or permanent resident of an OAS Member State.
2. Cover letter indicating the priority within your field of work and how do you intend to apply the knowledge acquired.
3. Curriculum Vitae that includes:
 - a. Personal information: date and place of birth, citizenship, id, address, phone, fax, email, copy of passport, other.
 - b. Academic documents: the degree obtained, copies of diploma, transcripts, professional academic history, grades and scholarships obtained, language certification (for those who do not have English as mother tongue), and others.
 - c. Work experience: description of professional work in environmental law and commercial area including beginning date, previous work and functions performed.
 - d. References: Provide name, title, workplace and e-mail of (1) person who can give references about your professional and academic skills
4. Health insurance with international coverage for the duration of the course in the United States.

10) Benefits¹:

The Department of Sustainable Development (DSD) of the Organization of American States (OAS) and the Washington College of Law, American University will cover:

- Scholarship for 50% of tuition (total tuition of \$ 1,000.00).
- An in-kind contribution of \$ 75 per night for lodging of those students staying in dormitories for American University-Washington College of Law graduate students.
- All materials and readings.
- Certificate issued by the DSD of the OAS and American University Washington College of Law.

11) Responsibilities of the selected candidates:

- It is the responsibility of each selected candidate to process and obtain in time the corresponding visa to enter the country of study and/or transit (if applicable). The OAS will not cover any costs related to the transaction of migratory documents or visas, airport taxes, travel insurance, or pocket money.
- It is the responsibility of the selected candidate to arrive at the place of study with sufficient anticipation in order to be present in the inauguration of the course on the date established by the institution offering of the course.
- Chosen candidates must confirm their acceptance to the coordinators of the program Geoff Johnson (gjohnson@oas.org) and Erika Lennon (elennon@wcl.american.edu)

Application for scholarship:

Applications must be submitted through the [online application form for the course](#), before April 20, 2012. Any questions regarding submission of applications for this course should be directed to: gjohnson@oas.org

¹ This seminar can be taken for law school credit or for Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credit. A Certificate of Attendance will be presented to those who do not wish to take courses for academic credit. The credits can also be used toward an LL.M. degree from the Washington College of Law