

The Finn River Basin

Negotiating Boundary Crossing Water Management Agreements

This is a seven-party, seven-person, multi-issue negotiation role play simulation involving a dispute over interprovincial water allocations. It explores issues of prediction and monitoring, water sharing, and the environmental adequacy of water flows. The game introduces a mutual gains approach (MGA) to negotiation and highlights the benefits of a more collaborative, non-zero sum, approach to managing boundary waters.

The General Instructions for the role play have been included in your welcome folder. Please ensure you review these in advance of the simulation exercise.

For this game we will be meeting in the EXAM HALL SSE BASEMENT where roundtables for group simulations will be set. After this we will convene in the adjacent lecture theatre (B-2 SSE) for a review of outcomes leading to the

Logistics of the game are as follows:

- 30 minutes: Players will Review Confidential Instructions
- 60 minutes : Negotiation with assumed roles
- 30 minutes (minimum): Debriefing, Lessons learnt and the Importance of Water Diplomacy