

# CLIMATE NEGOTATIONS

- role play for a high school classroom

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# Finnish Association for Nature Conservation, FANC



- Suomen Luonnonsuojeluliitto, SLL
- Largest non-governmental organization for environmental protection and nature conservation in Finland
- FANC has over 30 000 members and 15 district organizations
- Most work is done by volunteers, the Helsinki HQ employs 30 specialists and about 15 people are employed around the country

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# About the Climate negotiations -project

- District organization in Southern Savonia received funds from Save Pond Hockey to use on a climate related topic
- An idea of a role game for youngsters was developed, tested and written down as a guidebook
- Works best with 14 to 15 yearolds
- https://savepondhockey.org

# Next: Introducing the game!

- The steps
- The roles
- The aim
- The rules
- The material



# **1. The steps** of the climate negotiations role play



#### Class 1



Teacher discusses climate change with a classroom

• The classroom is divided into small groups that take on different occupational roles

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#### Classes 2 & 3

#### Climate negotiations are held in class

- Role groups negotiate on an agreement on Finland's climate policy
- Chairperson can be an outsider, for example a volunteer

#### **2. The roles** The groups of delegates in the

negotiation represent...

- 1. Media
- 2. Farmers
- 3. Forestry
- 4. Energy industry
- 5. Municipal district and traffic administration
- 6. Car industry
- 7. Environmental organization
- 8. United Nations Environment Programme

Only the **bolded** delegations have the right to vote. The unbolded delegations are only monitoring the negotiations, but can speak out freely

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### **3. The aim** Finland's agreement on climate change

- Topics on discussion:
  - Energy
  - Traffic
  - Agriculture and forestry
  - Regional administration and construction
  - Consumer restrictions
  - International responsibilities and liabilities
- The delegations must come to an agreement on at least three proposals under each of these topics



## 4. The rules

- 1. The chairperson
  - leads the conversation
  - decides on the topic
  - asks for delegations to vote
- 2. Raise your hand
  - to ask for permission to speak
- 3. When you use a proposal or statement card, turn it upside down on your table
- 4. Only five delegations have the right to vote
  - but all delegations have the right to speak out
- 5. A majority vote for a proposal means the proposal is added as part of the agreement



### **5. The material** The guidebook includes

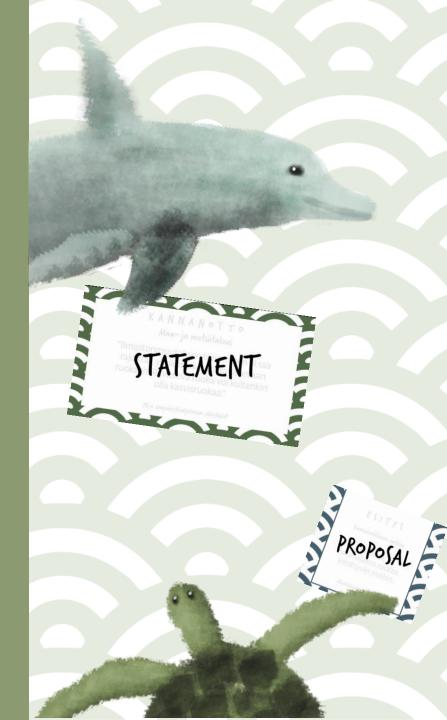
- ✓instructions for arranging the preliminary class
- $\checkmark$  role info for delegation groups
- ✓ instructions on how to lead the negotiations
- ✓ proposal and statement cards for the negotiations
- ✓ the layout for the climate change agreement
- ✓links for further info on climate issues



## 5. The material

The proposal and statement cards

- Proposal cards
  - Include proposals a delegation can suggest to be added as part of the agreement
  - The delegations can also come up with their own proposals
  - After each proposal the delegations must discuss and vote
- Statement cards
  - Include statements a delegation can speak out during the negotiations
  - All delegations can speak out freely



### Let's play!

Today's topic: Agriculture and forestry





- 1. Each delegation must first discuss briefly on their point of view on climate change mitigation within agriculture and forestry
  - What would you propose as actions within this topic?
  - Which actions would you not agree to take?



2. Chairperson hands out proposal and statement cards. You can choose whether to use them or not.

# Discussion

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