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Climate change poses one of the biggest challenges to humankind. To develop collective action on climate change, governments established the global climate change regime in the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change. However, from its inception in the early 1990s the climate regime had to cope with different preferences among its members. The differences in the views on the ideal design of the climate regime significantly affect its ability to tackle climate change. In this guest talk, we will subsequently deal with the positions of key members of the regime, the consequences of the clashes between them for the functioning of the regime, and the explanations for the variation in the positions.

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