

### **The United Nations Climate Negotiations: Progress in Cancun, Cornells involvement and plans for COP17 in Durban**

Each December, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) holds its annual Conferences of Parties (COP) to negotiate an international agreement on how to address climate change. The most visible of these conferences was COP15 in Copenhagen in 2009. Cornell has sent a delegation to these conferences for several years. Cornells student delegation supported by ACSF will report at this topical lunch about the progress made at COP16 in Cancun, Mexico, and the role Cornell has played in the conference. The faculty-student group will lead a discussion on plans for the upcoming COP17 in Durban, South Africa. The topical lunch will be the launching point for Cornells delegation to map out the activities for Fall 2011.