

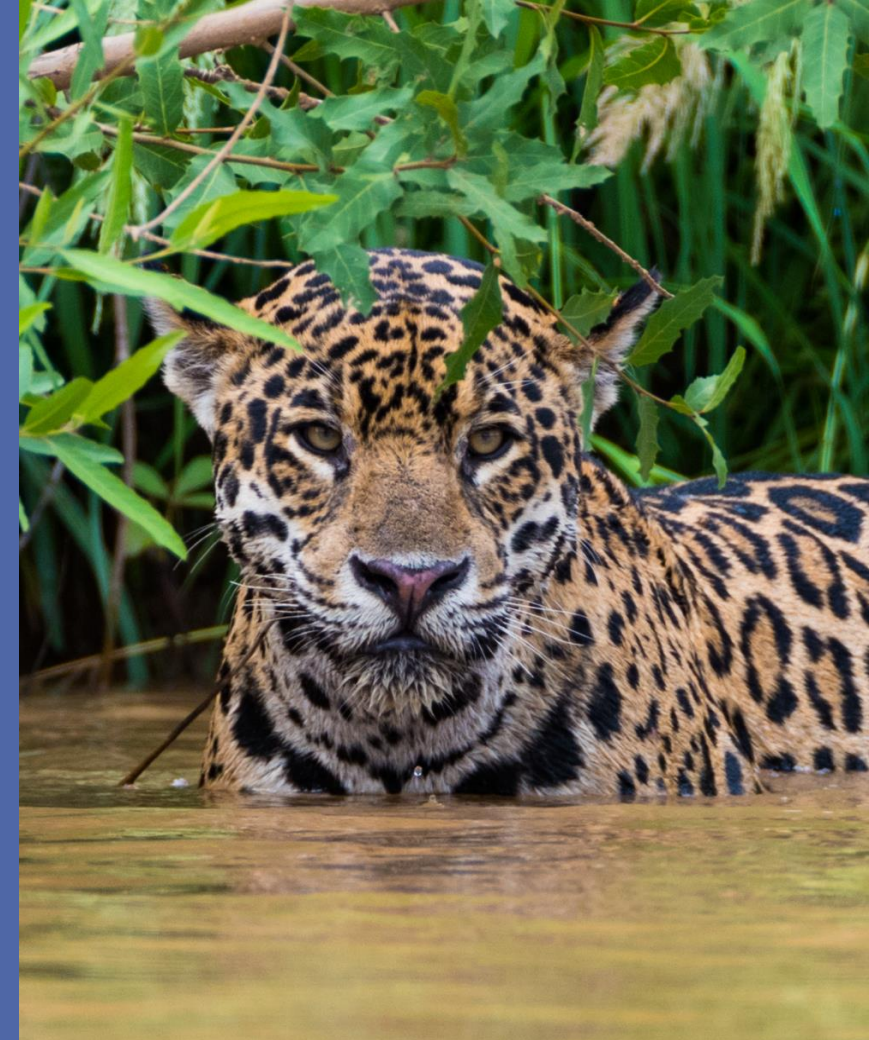


# Global Workshop on CMS Legislation

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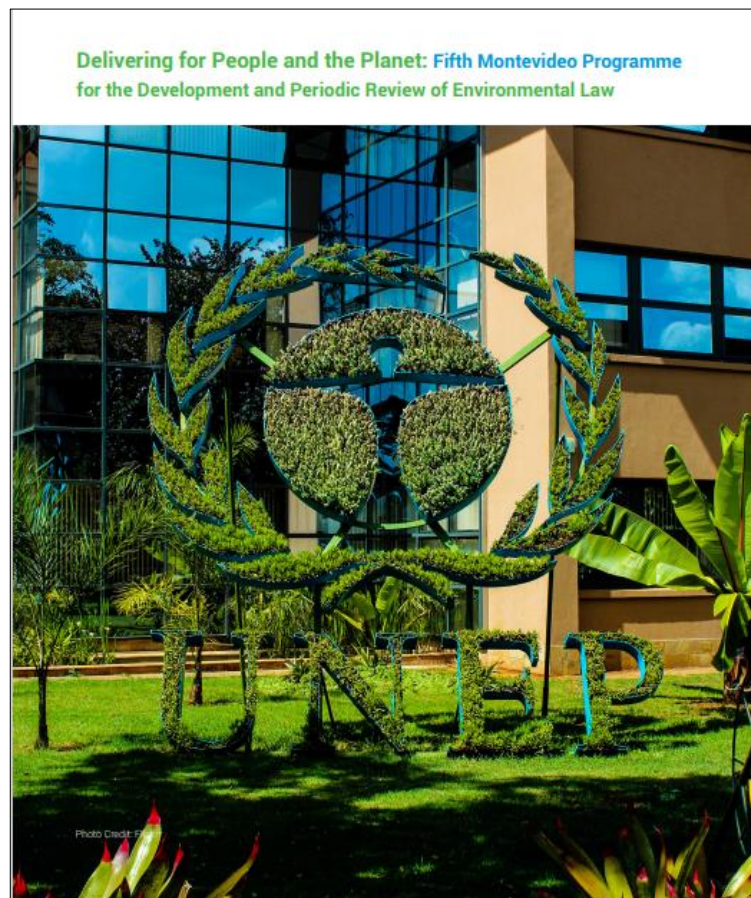
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## Session 8: CMS partnerships

# Montevideo Environmental Law Programme



The Montevideo Environmental Law Programme is a 10-year intergovernmental programme designed to promote environmental rule of law, build related capacities, and contribute to the achievement of the environmental dimensions of the Sustainable Development Goals.

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# How the Programme works

## Development

Support the development of adequate and effective environmental legislation and legal frameworks at all levels to address environmental issues

## Implementation

Strengthen the effective implementation of environmental law at the national level

## Capacity-building

Support capacity-building to increase the effectiveness of environmental law stakeholders



## 9 strategic activities

Guidance products, awareness, education, research networks, academic partnerships, private sector partnerships, emerging areas, data exchange etc.

## Implementation guidelines

Gender, partnerships, results-based activities, consistent with MEAs etc.

## Governance framework

Montevideo Secretariat (UNEP), National Focal Points (NFPs), Steering Committee for Implementation

## Strategic Areas

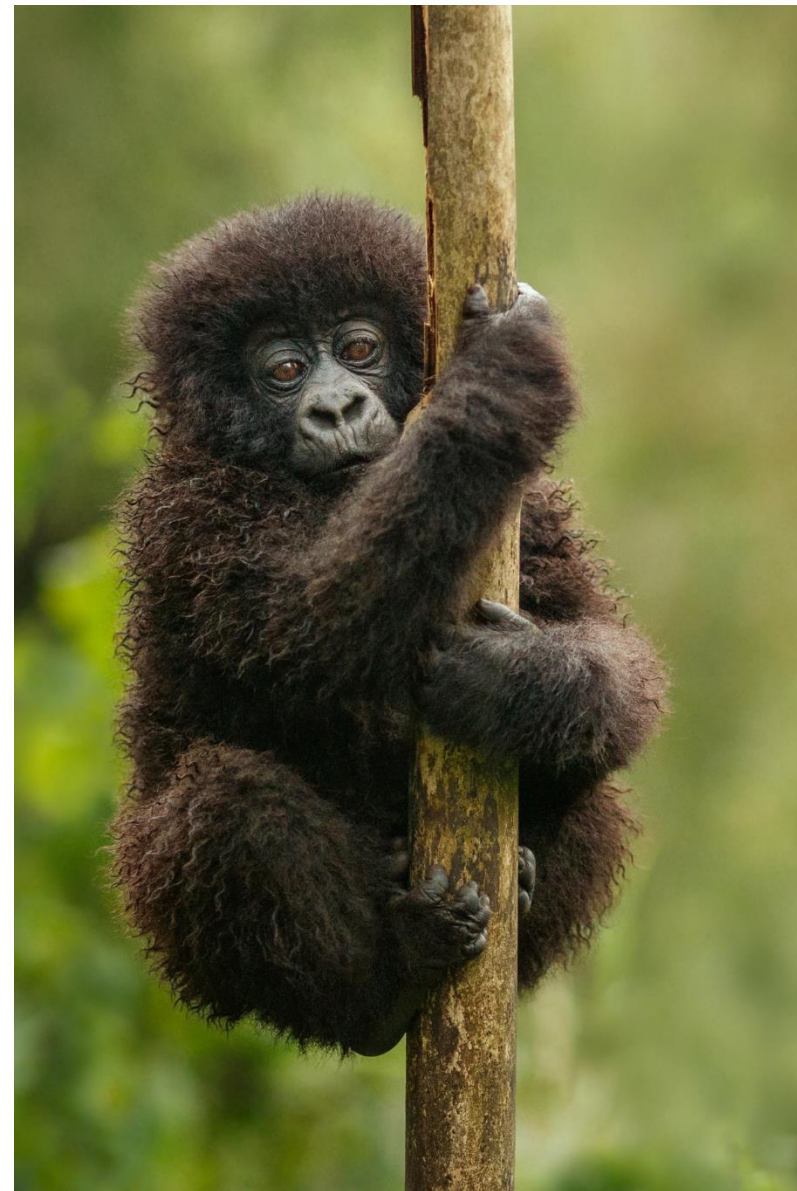
- Three thematic priorities agreed on by national focal points: Climate change, pollution and biodiversity.
- Cross cutting areas: access to environmental justice and capacity-building.
- Cross-cutting activities to be carried out in collaboration with the secretariats of multilateral environmental agreements to ensure consistency and avoid duplication.



# Biodiversity

Thematic areas covered:

- Management of zoonotic diseases
- Strengthening national biodiversity legislation including supporting countries to develop biosafety legislation
- Focus on environmental crimes



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## Law and Climate Change Toolkit

A global resource to help countries develop legal frameworks for the effective implementation of the Paris Agreement and their nationally determined contributions.

- Database of climate change legislation searchable according to legal area
- Aimed to support countries establish legal frameworks for **effective domestic implementation of the Paris Agreement** and their **Nationally Determined Contributions**.
- **4 modules:** climate framework laws, urban planning, energy and agriculture.



## Legislation Explorer

Search legal provisions of climate change-related legislation from around the world, including overarching climate change framework laws and sectoral legislation. Filter by semantic taxonomy terms for more enhanced search results

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### **Legislative Reference Guide** →

Highlights the key phases of policy action and related areas of activity for legislators to consider in developing climate change framework and sectoral legislation, with example provisions from other countries

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Good practice examples of existing climate laws from different countries around the world

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### Search Global Climate Laws

Search within the full text of over 400 climate change laws...



#### Type of Legislation

Climate Change Framework Laws

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The Urban planning, Agriculture and Energy sections will be available soon. For now you can access this legislation on the previous version of this toolkit [here](#).

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#### Climate Change Act, 2016

Kenya Climate Change Act, 2016 Act 11 of 2016 Assented to on 6 May 2016 Commenced on 27 May 2016 [This is the version of this document at 1 September 2023.] AN ACT of Parliament to provide for a regulatory framework for enhanced response to climate change; to provide for mechanism and measures to achieve low carbon climate development, and for connected purposes [Act No. 11 of 2016 ; Act No. 9 of...

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#### Climate Change Response Act

Taiwan 氣候變遷因應法 Assented to on 1 July 2015 Commenced [This is the version of this document at 15 February 2023.] 法規名稱：氣候變遷因應法 修正日期：民國112年02月15日 第1. 總則 第1 為因應全球氣候變遷，制定氣候變遷調適策略，降低與管理溫室氣體排放，落實世代正義、環境正義及公正轉型，善盡共同保護地球環境之責任，並確保國家永續發展，特制定本法。第2 1 本法所稱主管機關：在中央為行政院環境保護署；在直轄市為直轄市政府；在縣（市）為縣（市）政府。2 本法所定事項，涉及中央目的事業主管機關職掌者，由中央目的事業主管機關辦理。第3 - 第3條 本法用詞，定義如下：一、溫室氣體：指二氧化碳（002）、甲烷（由4）、氧化亞氮、020）、氫氟碳化物（史\*）...

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## Carbon Neutral Green Growth Framework Act to tackle the Climate Crisis

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## Climate Action Act, 2015

Malta Climate Action Act, 2015 Chapter 543 Published in Government Gazette 19,449 on 7 July 2015 Assented to on 7 July 2015 Commenced [This is the version of this document at 17 October 2023.] To establish a framework for climate action. [ACT XVII of 2015, as amended by Acts XXXVI of 2020 and XXXV of 2023.] 1. Short title The short title of this Act is the Climate Action Act. 2. Interpretation In...

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## Climate Change Act 2008

United Kingdom Climate Change Act 2008 Chapter 27 There are multiple commencements Provisions Status Part 1 (section 1-31) commenced on 26 November 2008. Part 5, subpart, section 82 commenced on 1 January 2009. Part 2 (section 32-43); Part 3 (section 44-55); Part 4 (section 56-70); Part 5, subpart (section 71-75); subpart (section 76); subpart (section 77); subpart (section 78); subpart (section...

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## Climate Protection Act

Austria Klimaschutzgesetz Act 106 of 2011 Published on 21 November 2011 Commenced [This is the version of this document at 9 Oktober 2023.] Bundesgesetz zur Einhaltung von Höchstmengen von Treibhausgasemissionen und zur Erarbeitung von wirksamen Maßnahmen zum Klimaschutz (Klimaschutzgesetz - KSG) Der Nationalrat hat beschlossen: § 1. Ziel Dieses Bundesgesetz soll eine koordinierte Umsetzung...

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## Climate Action Act, 2015

- (1) Without prejudice to any other provision of this Act the Minister may make regulations prescribing penalties for offences against any regulations made under this Act, and such regulations may:
  - prescribe imprisonment not exceeding four years and different fines (*multi*) not exceeding one million euro (€1,000,000) for different offences;
  - prescribe fines (*multi*) calculated in accordance with the duration of the commission of the offence, not exceeding fifty thousand euro (€50,000) for each day during which the offence continues.
- (2) Without prejudice to any other provision of this Act, the Minister may make regulations allowing any person or any department, agency, corporation or authority to impose administrative fines not exceeding one million euro (€1,000,000) or other sanctions on any person, department, agency, corporation or authority who is in contravention of any provisions of this Act or of any regulations or directives made thereunder and provide for the procedure for the imposition and enforcement of such fines which procedures may include provisions to the effect that any such fines shall constitute an executive title for the effects and purposes of Title VII of Part I of Book Second of the Code of Organization and Civil Procedure.

[Cap. 12.]

## 16. Climate Action Fund

- (1) The Minister, in consultation with the Minister responsible for Finance, shall by Order establish and maintain a Climate Action Fund.
- (2) The Climate Action Fund shall be replenished from:
  - revenues accruing to the Government from its participation in and implementation of market-based measures relating to climate action adopted pursuant to international treaties or European Union legislation, including, *inter alia*, from the auctioning of allowances pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC as may be amended or replaced from time to time;
  - revenues generated by the Government through the implementation of national measures relating to the reduction or limitation of greenhouse gas emissions;
  - any donations or grants made to the Fund by individuals or institutions;
  - any sums appropriated by Parliament for such purpose; and
  - any sums or monies as may from time to time be provided by or under this Act or any other law.
- (3) (a) The Climate Action Fund shall be administered by a board of governors that is chaired by the Chairperson of the Climate Action Board, or the vice chairperson of the Climate Action Board as his delegate, as appointed according to article 10(1)(n):

Provided that the member representing the Ministry responsible for Finance in article 10(l)(c) shall sit on the Board of Governors ex

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## 14A. Climate Finance Steering Committee

- (1) The Board shall establish a Climate Finance Steering Committee with participants from relevant Government agencies and stakeholders to oversee coordination of development of credited climate finance entities are identified to facilitate the development of credited climate finance entities.
- (2) The Committee **"Climate Finance Steering Committee"** is the Committee set up under Section 14A of this Act.
- (3) A Regulation shall provide for:
  - (a) the appointment of the Climate Finance Steering Committee; and
  - (b) the composition of the Climate Finance Steering Committee; and
  - (c) the functions of the Climate Finance Steering Committee; and
  - (d) such other matters as may be appropriate.

[section 14A inserted by section 11 of Act 25 of 2021]

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and for related purposes,

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