



Montevideo Environmental Law Programme

A Decade of Action on Environmental Law



FIFTH MONTEVIDEO ENVIRONMENTAL LAW PROGRAMME

10-YEAR INTERGOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMME TO PROMOTE ENVIRONMENTAL RULE OF LAW, BUILD RELATED CAPACITIES, AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL DIMENSION OF THE SDGs

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RESOLUTION 4/20**



**INTER-GOVERNMENTAL
FRAMEWORK**

**BUILDS ON 4 PREVIOUS 10-YEAR
MONTEVIDEO PROGRAMMES**

HOW DOES IT WORK?

DEVELOPMENT

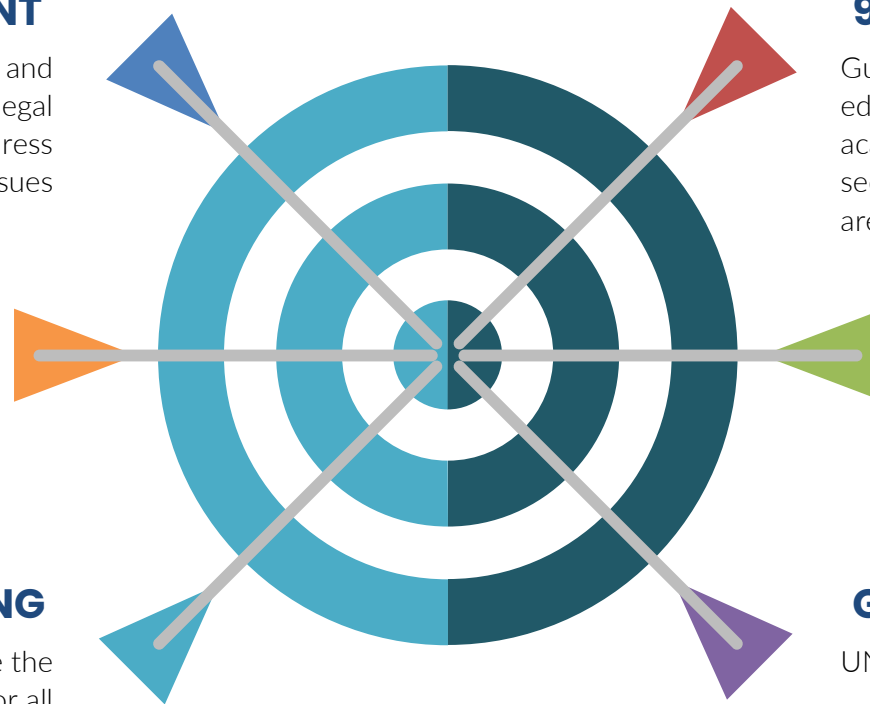
Support the development of adequate and effective environmental legislation and legal frameworks at all levels to address environmental issues

IMPLEMENTATION

Strengthen the effective implementation of environmental law at the national level

CAPACITY BUILDING

Support capacity-building to increase the effectiveness of environmental law for all stakeholders at all levels



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

UNEP, NFPs, Steering Committee

Current Status

JUNE 2021 Virtual segment of First Global Meeting

- Steering Committee for Implementation
- Modalities of work
- Initial priority area: air pollution

JUNE 2022 - In-person segment of First Global Meeting

- Identify full priorities for the Programme
- Partnership strategy
- Trust Fund

Steering Committee – every six months

- Implementation roadmap (approved)
- Mobilization strategy (live document)
- Partnerships and stakeholder engagement strategy annotated outline



Current status – thematic priorities



Education and capacity building



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Priority areas for implementation

Legal responses to address the **pollution crisis**

Legal responses to combat the **climate crisis**

Legal responses to combat the **biodiversity crisis**

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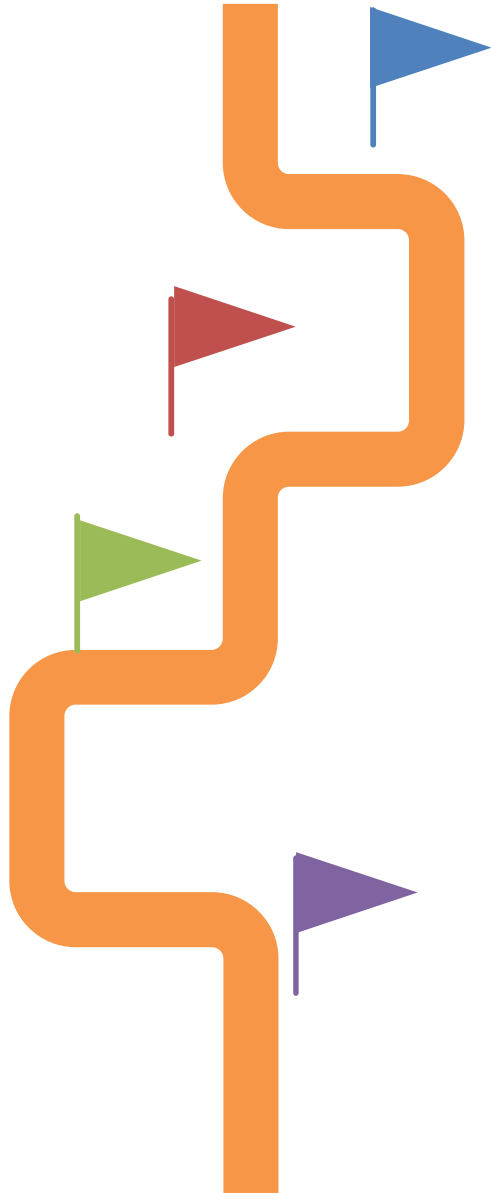


UNEP launches the Montevideo Environmental Law Programme 'Law and Environment Assistance Platform' (LEAP)

LAW AND ENVIRONMENT ASSISTANCE PLATFORM

UNEP's Law and Environment Assistance Platform (UNEP-LEAP) is the Montevideo Environmental Law Programme's digital backbone. Member States can directly request support from UNEP and partners via the Clearing House Mechanism within the technical assistance section. Likewise, they can use the knowledge base and country profile sections to access relevant environmental news, legislation, jurisprudence, model laws, legislative toolkits, and other environmental law guidance products and resources.

Next steps



Focus on delivery

- Implementation
- LEAP requests
- Key knowledge products, such as *The Status of Climate Litigation: A Global Review and Guide on Ambient Air Quality Legislation*

Partnerships and stakeholders strategy

- Consultations and finalization

Funds mobilization and visibility

Regional stakeholder consultations

- Asia Pacific, West Asia, Central Asia (Bangkok, 14-16 August)
- East Africa (Kigali, *early September tbc*)
- Latin America and Caribbean (Panama City, October *tbc*)

JUNE 2024 – Second Global Meeting

- Host country or Nairobi



Thank you

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