

Law Division

Orientation session for new members of the Committee of Permanent Representatives

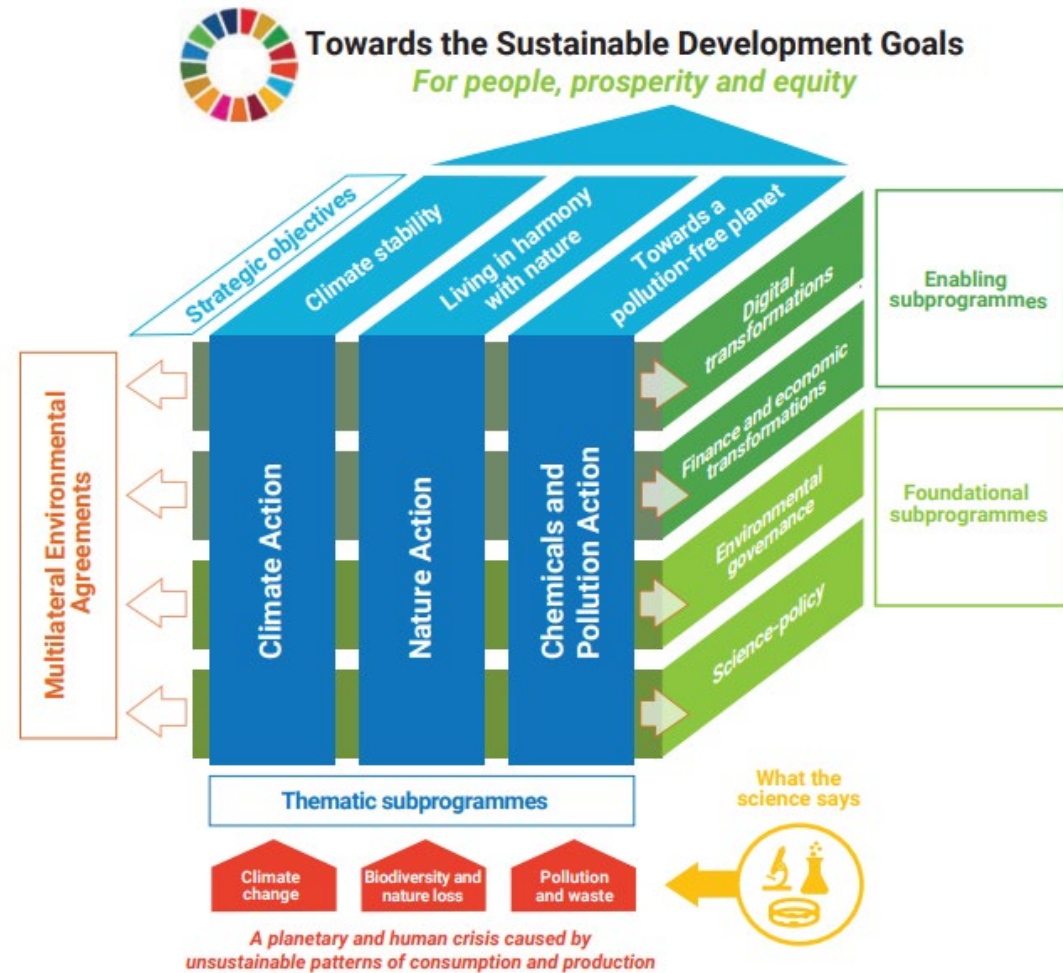
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Purpose

Furthers the **development and implementation of environmental law** at all levels to help countries meet their goals and commitments under Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) and other relevant goals and instruments.

Foundational programme

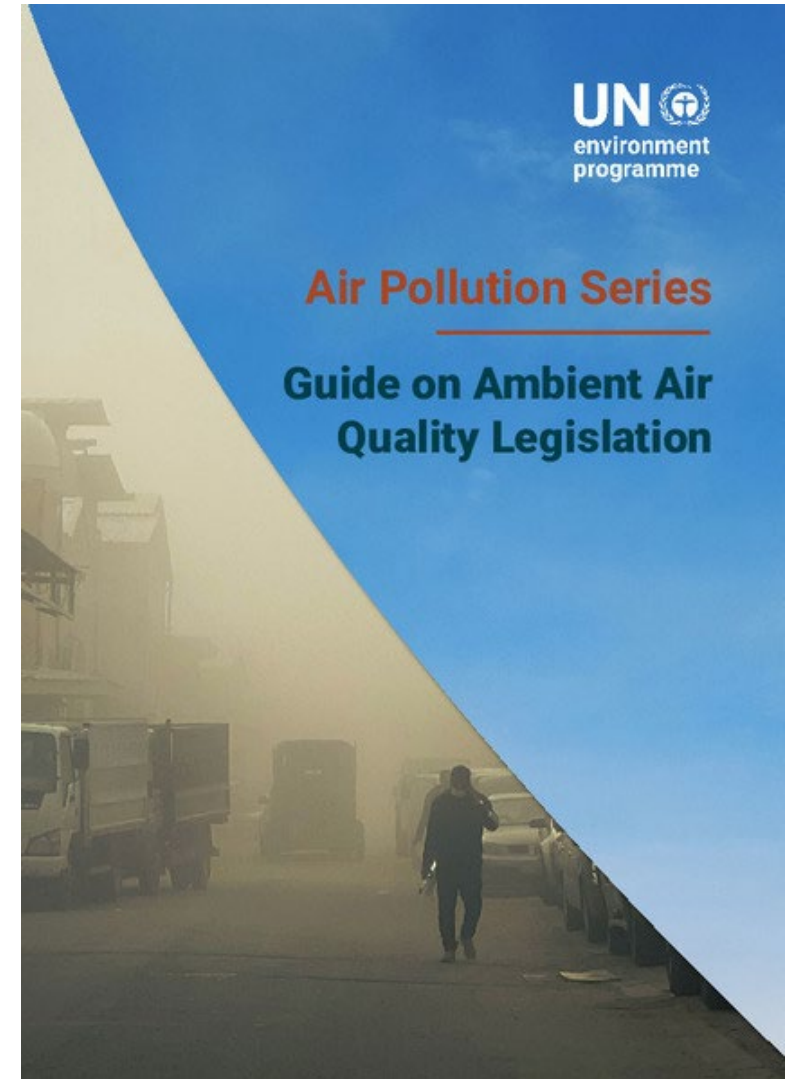
Environmental governance is the institutional and legal architecture needed to make environmental goals and commitments a reality (UNEP MTS 2022-2025)



Four key areas of support

1. Technical law, policy, and governance assistance to countries

- Montevideo Environmental Law Programme V
- Strengthening Environmental Governance and Supporting Multilateral Environmental Agreements in the Africa, Caribbean and the Pacific regions (ACP MEAs)
- Treaties Programme
- OzonAction
- African Elephant Fund
- Collective Intelligence and reporting tools: InforMEA, DaRT, UNEP LEAP



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2. **Advisory services to other Divisions/Offices/MEAs/Processes**

- **Legal and procedural support** to UNEA, CPR, and other subsidiary and intersessional bodies.
- Coordinates legal and procedural support for various entities
- **Substantive support:** technical law, policy and governance support





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3. Promoting coordination, synergies and coherence amongst MEAs and with UNEA

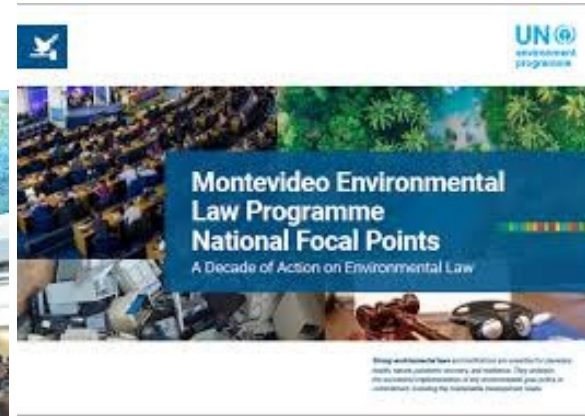
- “Cooperation with MEAs” agenda item at UNEA
- Bern process for 16 MEAs to support implementation of the GBF
- Science-policy interfaces
- EMG (New York Office)

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4. Thought leadership on environmental law and governance

- Faith for Earth
- Beyond formal law in environmental governance initiative
- Emerging and frontier issues (e.g. environmental rights, sustainability litigation, environmental rule of law etc.)





Delivered through partnerships

- Governments
- Parliamentarians
- Judiciaries
- UN bodies
- MEA Secretariats
- Civil society
- Indigenous Peoples
- Private sector



Thank you

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