

Acronyms and abbreviations

ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations	Heritage	Convention Concerning the Protection of the	OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and
ATCM	Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting	Convention	World Cultural and Natural Heritage		Development
Basel Convention	Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal	IAS	Invasive alien species	OPT	Occupied Palestinian Territory
		ICCM	International Conference on Chemicals Management	PIC	Prior Informed Consent
BASF	Badische Anilin und Soda Fabrik (German chemical products company)	ICJ	International Court of Justice	PLLA	Poly (L-lactic acid)
BP	Beyond Petroleum (formerly British Petroleum)	ICLEI	Local Governments for Sustainability	PM	particulate matters smaller than x micrometres
BTC	Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan (oil pipeline)	IEA	International Energy Agency	POP	Persistent Organic Pollutant
CAP	Compliance Assistance Programme	IGAD	Intergovernmental Authority on Development	ppm	parts per million
Cartagena	Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the	IGCP	International Gorilla Conservation Programme	PPP	purchasing power parity
Protocol	Convention of Biological Diversity	IMF	International Monetary Fund	PRI	Principles for Responsible Investment
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity	IMO	International Maritime Organization	Ramsar Convention	Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat
CCAMLR	Convention on/ Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources	INPE	Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas Espaciais (National Institute for Space Research of Brazil)	REACH	Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism	IPY	International Polar Year	Rotterdam	Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade
CeO ₂	ceria	ISO	International Organization for Standardization	Convention	
CEWARN	Conflict Early Warning and Response Mechanism	ITPGR	International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	SADC	Southern African Development Community
CFC	chlorofluorocarbon	IUCN	The World Conservation Union	SAICM	Strategic Approach on International Chemicals Management
CH ₄	methane	IUU	Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported (fishing)	SARS	Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome
CI	Conservation International	IWC	International Whaling Commission	SiO ₂	silica
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora	IWRM	Integrated Water Resources Management	Stockholm	Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants
		YDD	International Year of Deserts and Desertification	Convention	
CMS	Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals	KAZA TFCA	Kavango-Zambezi Transfrontier Conservation Area	TiO ₂	titanium dioxide
		Kengen	Kenya Electricity Generating Company	TiO ₂	titanium dioxide
CO	carbon monoxide	Kyoto Protocol	Kyoto Protocol to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change	UAE	United Arab Emirates
CO ₂	carbon dioxide	LaB6	lanthanum hexaboride	UK	United Kingdom
CONAMA	Comisión Nacional del Medio Ambiente	LAC	Latin America and the Caribbean	UN	United Nations
COREMA	Comisión Regional del Medio Ambiente	LED	Light Emitting Diodes	UNCCD	UN Convention to Combat Desertification In Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification Particularly in Africa
DMSP	Defense Meteorological Satellite Program	MA	Millennium Ecosystem Assessment		
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment	MDGs	Millennium Development Goals	UNCLOS	UN Convention on the Law of the Sea
EMEP	Environmental Monitoring, Evaluation and Protection Programme	MEA	Multilateral Environmental Agreement	UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
		MeBr	methyl bromide	UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
E/MSY	extinction per million species per year	MERCOSUR	Mercado Común del Sur (Southern Cone Common Market)	UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
ENCE	Empresa Nacional de Celulosa España	MIKE	Monitoring of Illegal Killing of Elephants	UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency (of the United States)	MODIS	Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer	UNFCCC	UN Framework Convention on Climate Change
		MPA	Marine Protected Area	US	United States
ESA	Endangered Species Act	MSC	Marine Stewardship Council	Vienna Convention/	Vienna Convention for the Protection of the
ETS	Emissions Trading Scheme (European Union)	Mtoe	million tonnes of oil equivalent	Montreal Protocol	Ozone Layer and its Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer
EU	European Union	NAP	National Allocation Plans		
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations	NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration (of the United States)	WWF	Working for Water (Programme)
FIFA	Fédération Internationale de Football Association (International Federation of Football Association)	NDVI	Normalized Difference Vegetation Index	WHO	World Health Organization
		NEPAD	New Partnership for Africa's Development	WMO	World Meteorological Organization
FSC	Forest Stewardship Council	NGO	non-governmental organization	World Bank	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and the International Development Association (IDA)
GCC	Gulf Cooperation Council	Ni-C	nickel (carbon-coated)		
GEF	Global Environment Facility	NO ₂	nitrogen dioxide	WSSD	World Summit on Sustainable Development
GEO	Global Environment Outlook (of UNEP)	N ₂ O	nitrous oxide	WTO	World Trade Organization
GHG	Greenhouse gas	NOAA	National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (of the United States)	WWF	World Wide Fund for Nature
GMS	Greater Mekong Sub-region	ODS	ozone-depleting substance	Y2O3	yttrium oxide
HCFC	hydrochlorofluorocarbon	ODP	ozone-depleting potential	ZnO	zinc oxide