

**UNITED NATIONS  
ENVIRONMENT CONVENTIONS**

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**CBD**  
**CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

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<b>Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conservation of biological diversity</li><li>• Sustainable use of its components</li><li>• Fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of the utilization of genetic resources</li></ul>
<b>Subject areas</b>	Thematic areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Agricultural biodiversity</li><li>• Biosafety</li><li>• Dryland biodiversity</li><li>• Forest biodiversity</li><li>• Inland waters biodiversity</li><li>• Marine and coastal biodiversity</li><li>• Mountain biodiversity</li></ul> Cross-cutting issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Access and benefit sharing</li><li>• Alien species</li><li>• Economics, trade and incentives</li></ul>

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- Ecosystem approach
  - Education and public awareness
  - Global taxonomy initiative
  - Indicators
  - Impact assessments, liability and redressment
  - Protected areas
  - Scientific assessment
  - Sustainable use and tourism
  - Traditional knowledge
- Services/  
materials  
available**
- Information and documentation via website
  - Clearing-house mechanism for technical and scientific cooperation
  - Publications
  - Library

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**CCD**  
**UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION**  
**TO COMBAT DESERTIFICATION**

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<b>Functions</b>	The Secretariat for the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification is the body established by the convention to make arrangements for sessions of the Conference of Parties (COP) and its subsidiary bodies established under the convention and to provide them with services as required. The Secretariat also facilitates the implementation of the decisions of the COP and different regional meetings and facilitates assistance to affected developing country Parties, on request, to enable them to formulate their national action programme as requested in the convention.
<b>Subject areas</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• National Action Programmes to Combat Drought and Desertification</li><li>• Science and technology as related to drought and desertification</li><li>• Capacity building, education and public awareness</li><li>• All areas covered in the Convention to Combat Desertification</li></ul>

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**Services/  
materials  
available**

- Information kits in all UN languages containing the convention, *Down to Earth Guide* booklet and newsletters
- Technical assistance on request
- Pilot projects to implement the convention

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**CITES**  
**CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN**  
**ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA**

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<b>Subject areas</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monitoring and regulation of international trade in threatened species</li><li>• Impact of international trade on threatened species</li><li>• Conservation management</li><li>• Promotion of a sustainable approach to wildlife trade</li></ul>
<b>Services/ materials available</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Capacity building for Party states</li><li>• Legal support for Party states</li><li>• Press liaison</li><li>• <i>CITES World</i> (newsletter)</li><li>• Books</li><li>• Booklets, brochures</li><li>• Posters</li><li>• Conservation games</li></ul>

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**UNFCCC**  
**UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK**  
**CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE**

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<b>Objectives of the convention</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stabilize greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a level that would prevent dangerous anthropogenic interference with the climate system, within a time-frame sufficient to allow ecosystems to adapt naturally to climate change</li><li>• Ensure that food production is not threatened</li><li>• Enable economic development to proceed in a sustainable manner</li></ul>
<b>Functions of the secretariat</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Make arrangements for sessions of the convention bodies and provide them with services as required</li><li>• Ensure the necessary coordination with other international bodies and organizations</li><li>• Compile and transmit reports submitted to it</li></ul>

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- Facilitate assistance to the Parties (on request), particularly developing country Parties, in the compilation and communication of information required in accordance with the provisions of the convention
  - Perform other secretariat functions specified in the convention and in any of its protocols, and other functions determined by the Conference of the Parties.
- Services/  
materials**
- Website on CD-ROM (2000)
  - The UNFCCC website contains information on climate change, the full text of the convention, greenhouse gas emissions data and official documents of the Conference of the Parties and its subsidiary bodies
  - Text of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
  - The Kyoto Protocol
  - *Climate Change Information Kit*
  - *Guide to the Climate Change Process*