

Multilateral Environmental Diplomacy

Environment by its nature is trans-boundary that calls for international cooperation and collaboration in tackling its challenges. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change is mandated to take part in the negotiations of international environmental and climate change agreements and, as appropriate, initiate a process of their ratification; play key role in coordinating the nationwide responses to the agreements as per Proclamation No. 916/2015. The Ministry, along with relevant national authorities and stakeholders participate in international, regional and bilateral cooperation's to promote sustainable development.

List of Multilateral Environmental Agreements Ethiopia is party to:

1. Biodiversity Agreements

1. Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) (Biodiversity Convention)
2. Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization (Nagoya Protocol.
3. Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety
4. The International Treaty on plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
5. United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

2. Hazardous Waste and Chemicals Agreement

1. Basel Convention on the Control of Trans-boundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal
2. Bamako Convention
3. Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade.

4. Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs Convention)

3. Ozone and Climate Agreement

1. Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer

2. Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer

3. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

4. Kyoto Protocol and Doha Amendment (Kyoto Protocol Second Commitment)

5. Paris Agreement