ESCAZÚ AGREEMENT

OBJECTIVE
To guarantee the full and effective implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the rights of access to environmental information, public participation and access to justice in environmental matters, and the creation and strengthening of capacities and cooperation, contributing to the protection of the right of every person of present and future generations to live in a healthy environment and to sustainable development.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

RIGHT OF EVERY PERSON TO LIVE IN A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT AND TO EXERCISE RIGHTS FREELY

ALL STATES SHALL ADOPT THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO GUARANTEE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT

ENSURE THAT GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE IS PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE EXERCISE OF THEIR ACCESS RIGHTS

THE AGREEMENT IS A FLOOR, NOT A CEILING

ENCOURAGE THE USE OF ICT, SUCH AS OPEN DATA

SOME PRINCIPLES

EQUALITY AND NON-Discrimination

ACCOUNTABILITY

NON-REGRESSION AND PROGRESSIVE REALIZATION

PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OF STATES OVER THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES

TRANSPARENCY

INTERGENERATIONAL EQUITY

GOOD FAITH

MILESTONES

OPEN TO THE COUNTRIES OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

1ST REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL TREATY

LATEST MULTILATERAL ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT ADOPTED AT THE UNITED NATIONS

1ST TREATY IN THE WORLD TO SPECIFICALLY PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS IN ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS.

ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTES TO THE 2030 AGENDA, THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS

CAPACITY BUILDING AND COOPERATION

BASED ON NATIONAL PRIORITIES AND NEEDS

CLEARINGHOUSE: OBSERVATORY ON PRINCIPLE 10 IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

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