



International environmental agreements ratified and signed by Liechtenstein

There are numerous international agreements concerning the conservation of nature and the ecosphere and the protection against harmful environmental degradation. Not all of these agreements are equally relevant to Liechtenstein. For instance, Liechtenstein is indirectly affected with respect to the protection of marine resources, but can hardly make its own contribution in this regard. For this reason and due to the limited human resources, Liechtenstein has always ratified environmental agreements selectively.

Liechtenstein is currently a State Party to 28 conventions and protocols in the area of climate, the Alps, biological diversity, air pollution control, chemicals, and water pollution control. Eight agreements have been signed but not yet ratified.

Liechtenstein is a State Party to the following environmental agreements:

- Convention on the Protection of the Alps (Alpine Convention)
- Nine Protocols to the Alpine Convention (Land-Use Planning and Sustainable Development, Mountain Farming, Conservation of Nature and Countryside, Mountain Forests, Tourism, Soil Conservation, Energy, Transport, Dispute Settlement).
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (Climate Convention)
- Convention on Biological Diversity (Biodiversity Convention)
- United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa
- Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer
- Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer
- Five Protocols to the Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution (Financing of the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-Range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (EMEP); Reduction of Sulphur Emissions 1985; Further Reduction of Sulphur Emissions 1994; Control of Emissions of Nitrogen Oxides; Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds)
- Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal, and Amendment to the Basel Convention (Ban Amendment)
- Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context
- Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes
- Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat (Ramsar Convention)
- Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Bonn Convention)
- Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (Washington Convention, CITES)
- Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats (Berne Convention)



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Liechtenstein has signed but not yet ratified the following international agreements:

- Kyoto Protocol
- Three Protocols to the Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution (Persistent Organic Pollutants; Heavy Metals; to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone)
- Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention)
- Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POP Convention)
- European Convention on Civil Liability for Damage resulting from Activities Dangerous to the Environment (Lugano Convention)
- United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea