

Article 2: Objectives

The objectives of this Agreement are to:

- (a) foster the protection and improvement of the environment in the territories and areas under the jurisdiction of the Parties for the well-being of present and future generations through domestic actions and cooperation between the Parties;
- (b) foster sustainable development through the promotion of mutually supportive environmental and economic policies, sound environmental management, and conservation measures;
- (c) strengthen cooperation between the Parties to achieve the objectives and obligations of this Agreement, including the development and improvement of environmental management systems;
- (d) promote compliance with environmental law;
- (e) promote transparency and public participation in the conservation, protection, and improvement of the environment, including in the development of environmental law and policies;
- (f) encourage public participation in the implementation of this Agreement; and
- (g) promote economically efficient and effective environmental measures.