## International Institute for Sustainable Development

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The IISD contributes to sustainable development by advancing policy recommendations on international trade and investment, economic instruments, climate change, measurement and indicators, and natural resource management. By using Internet communications, they report on international negotiations and broker knowledge gained through collaborative projects with global partners, resulting in more rigorous research, capacity building in developing countries and better dialogue between North and South.

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**Human and Social Development** 

-- Eradicating poverty

The IISD has a program of work on poverty alleviation.

--Building good governance and transparency

The IISD has developed tools such as the Earth Negotiations Bulletin and done research on international governance issues.