

## **UNFCCC: Environmental Mandate & Activities**

### **Secretariat of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change**

#### **Environmental mandate**

The Climate Change Convention sets an overall framework for intergovernmental efforts to tackle the challenge posed by climate change. It recognizes that the climate system is a shared resource whose stability can be affected by industrial and other emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases. Under the governments:

- Gather and share information on greenhouse gas emissions, national policies and best practices
- Launch national strategies for addressing greenhouse emissions and adapting to expected impacts, including the provision of financial and technological support to developing countries
- Cooperate in preparing for adaptationthe impacts of climate change

#### **Environmental activities**

In relation to climate change mitigation and adaptation, the Secretariat's activities are focused in four programmes:

- Methods, Inventories and Science
- Sustainable Development
- Cooperative Mechanisms
- Implementation