



As humanity teeters on the brink of unprecedented ecological disaster, the need for urgent, effective, and equitable action to address the planetary crisis is crystal clear. The Strasbourg Principles represent a brilliant constellation of legal principles that could, and should, be used to guide our efforts towards a just and sustainable future. At the heart of these efforts, as reflected in Principles 6-10, is the human right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment. This right, if respected, protected and fulfilled, offers the potential to catalyze critically important economic, social, and environmental transformations. The Strasbourg Principles amplify the recognition of the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment by the UN Human Rights Council in 2021 and the UN General Assembly in 2022, and clarify the obligations of all States to enact, implement and enforce the laws and policies needed to ensure the universal enjoyment of this right.

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