

As climate change litigation gains momentum, legal systems will be faced with the complex interplay between state responsibilities and adverse environment impacts, as carbon emissions know no borders, and their ramifications are grossly uneven. The challenge lies in reconciling the disproportionate burden borne by nations least responsible for the crisis, yet most affected by its consequences. The Strasbourg Principles provide a cohesive framework that has evolved through years of jurisprudence, offering a consensus-based guide rooted in a human rights approach to tackle climate change challenges. These Principles can facilitate the harmonization of global imbalances, creating a more equitable distribution of responsibilities while upholding a commitment to justice that transcends geographical boundaries.

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The Strasbourg Principles of International Environmental Human Rights Law