

UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME

AT A GLANCE

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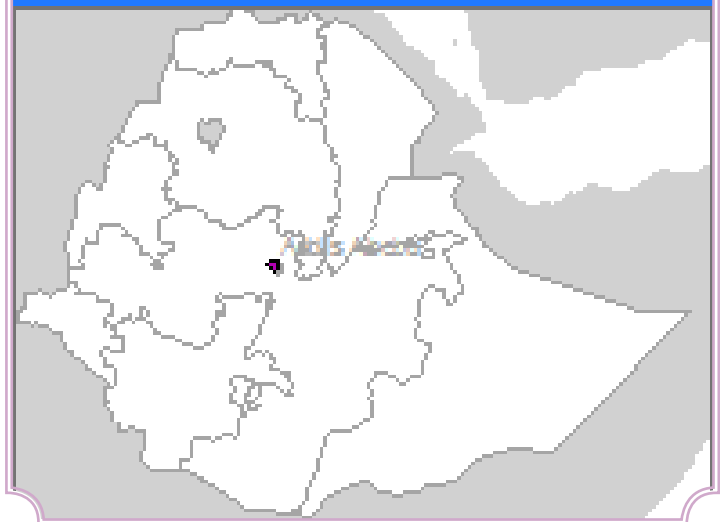
WHO WE ARE

MANDATE OF UNEP IN GENERAL

UNEP, established in 1972, is the voice for the environment within the United Nations system. UNEP acts as a catalyst, advocate, educator and facilitator to promote the wise use and sustainable development of the global environment.

UNEP is the leading global environmental authority that sets the global environmental agenda, that promotes the coherent implementation of the environmental dimensions of sustainable development within the United Nations system and that serves as an authoritative advocate for the global environment.

UNEP Office Locations



UNEP aims to provide leadership and encourage partnership in caring for the environment by inspiring, informing, and enabling nations and peoples to improve their quality of life without compromising that of future generations.

UNEP's work encompasses:

- Assessing global, regional and national environmental conditions and trends
- Developing international and national environmental instruments
- Strengthening institutions for the wise management of the environment

MANDATE OF UNEP IN ADDIS ABABA LIAISON OFFICE

The UNEP Addis Ababa liaison office (UNEP AALO) was created in July 2001 as part of the Regional Office for Africa (ROA) with the mandate of representing UNEP to the African Union Commission (AUC), the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), and the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia. As UNEP representative in Ethiopia it serves as the focal point for UNEP's engagement in UN Country Team (UNCT) processes in the country.

The office also facilitates programmatic collaboration/partnership and support to the African Diplomatic Corps in Ethiopia. It ensures UNEP involvement in the Inter-agency collaboration in support of the AU-NEPAD (New Partnership for Africa's Development) through the Regional Coordination Mechanism. The UNEP Addis Ababa Office also works closely with other environmental organizations in Addis Ababa.

WHAT WE DO

Type of intervention	Partners	Main geographic focus (Regions)	Beneficiaries
UNEP AALO supports in developing Post-2015 Development Agenda and 'Agenda 2063', and related AU Summit decisions, inter alia, on African Ministerial Conference on Environment (AMCEN), Committee of African Heads of State and Government on Climate Change (CAHOSCC). The Office also provides inputs on the AUC Strategic Plan 2014-2017; AUC-DREA (Department of Rural Economy and Agriculture) Operational Plan 2014-2017.	African Union Commission	African governments (policy-making bodies)	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
UNEP AALO is in charge of informing burning environmental issues and decisions made in AU Summit regarding environment to ADC and Permanent Representatives to UNEP. The office partners with African Climate Policy Center (ACPA) specifically through ClimDev-Africa. It also supports the African Group of Negotiators (AGN) on climate change. The office also follows up of a proposal to organize a special session on environment & Peace and Security at AU Peace and Security Council.	African Diplomatic Corps and Permanent Representatives to UNEP	African governments (policy-making bodies)	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
UNEP AALO is the focal point for UNEP participation in inter-agency collaboration through clusters of UN bodies coordinated by UNECA. The office supports to develop the Economic Report on Africa 2015 on Green Economy.	UNECA	UN	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
UNEP AALO supports in preparing the Country Cooperation Framework of the Ministry and in implementing the Climate Resilient Green Economy Policy (CRGE) in Ethiopia.	Ministry of Environment and Forest	Ministries of Ethiopian government	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
UNEP AALO supports environmental NGOs, academic institutes and local communities in Ethiopia by providing technical assistance and engaging in their works in order to raise awareness, and to develop knowledge.	environmental NGOs, civil societies, academic institutes	Environmental NGOs, civil society, academic institutes	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

PRESENCE IN THE COUNTRY

Location		Contract Type	Number of staff		
			Male	Female	Total
Addis Ababa	National staff	Fixed Term		1	1
		Consultant			
	International staff	Staff and consultants	1	1	2
Total			1	2	3

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