

Georgia and Multilateral Environmental Agreements of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

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Along with technological development human impact on the environment is increasing, which affects our nature and the environment. In most cases, this adverse effect is going beyond the countries. It is impossible to set boundaries for environmental damage caused by natural disasters or human improper activities - the problem, generated at the local level can reach neighboring countries or even cover the whole region. That is why, that environmental issues present a serious concern for the international community, where the greatest attention is paid to the mutual efforts on environmental protection.

Decades ago international community has come to a decision that for strengthening mutual efforts, based on the universally recognized principles of environmental protection, it was necessary to develop legally binding documents on particular environmental directions with specific commitments for the States.

The presented work has been prepared on the basis of a review and analysis of relevant documents prepared by international environmental organizations, as well as publications, and other appropriate sources. The main part of this document is devoted to the brief overview of the UNECE MEAs and the status of Georgia with relation to them. In addition, the paper discusses the importance for the countries, including Georgia, of being a party to the MEAs.