

Second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Escazú Agreement

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Countries Involved

Antigua and Barbuda (ATG)	Argentina (ARG)	Belize (BLZ)
Bolivia, Plurinational State of (BOL)	Brazil (BRA)	Chile (CHL)
Colombia (COL)	Costa Rica (CRI)	Dominica (DMA)
Ecuador (ECU)	Grenada (GRD)	Guatemala (GTM)
Guyana (GUY)	Haiti (HTI)	Jamaica (JAM)
Mexico (MEX)	Nicaragua (NIC)	Panama (PAN)
Paraguay (PRY)	Peru (PER)	Saint Kitts and Nevis (KNA)
Saint Lucia (LCA)	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (VCT)	Uruguay (URY)

Executive Summary

This meeting brought together State Parties in Buenos Aires to deepen the implementation of the Escazú Agreement at the national level. The focus was on electing the first members of the Committee to Support Implementation and Compliance. The event emphasized transparency, public participation, and environmental justice, reaffirming the region's leadership in environmental democracy. It culminated in the Buenos Aires Declaration and a renewed commitment to the agreement's principles and accountability mechanisms

Taxonomies

Beneficiary Groups

- **Civil Society Organizations** (Civil Society / NGOs)
- **Environment** (Civil Society / NGOs)
- **General Public** (General Citizens / Consumers)
- **Indigenous Communities** (Indigenous Peoples & Ethnic Groups)
- **Women in Tech** (Women & Girls)
- **Youth** (Students & Youth)

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
- SDG 13: Climate Action
- SDG 15: Life on Land
- SDG 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals

EU Policy Alignments

- EU Green Deal
- Global Gateway
- Horizon Europe
- NDICI-Global Europe

Commitments

Commitment 1

Strengthen implementation of the Escazú Agreement at national levels, with a focus on harmonizing legal frameworks and administrative procedures for access to environmental information and justice.

Commitment 2

Operationalize the newly elected Committee for Support, Implementation and Compliance, providing technical guidance and follow-up to State Parties' obligations.

Commitment 3

Protect environmental human rights defenders, reinforcing legal safeguards and emergency support mechanisms in high-risk contexts.

Commitment 4

Promote public participation and regional capacity-building, particularly among vulnerable and marginalized populations.

Commitment 5

Consolidate the Escazú Agreement as a global benchmark, aligning it with broader human rights and environmental multilateralism under UN frameworks.

Commitment 6

Enhance coordination through ECLAC and regional mechanisms, enabling peer learning, monitoring, and legal innovation across the LAC region.

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