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**Policy issues: coordination and cooperation within
the United Nations system on environmental matters**

**Corporate memorandums of understanding concerning
cooperation between the United Nations Environment
Programme and other bodies of the United Nations system**

Note by the Executive Director

Summary

In accordance with Governing Council decision 17/8 of 21 May 1993, the Executive Director has the honour to present, in the annex to the present note, a tabular summary of corporate memorandums of understanding that have been concluded between the United Nations Environment Programme and other bodies of the United Nations system since the Executive Director's previous report to the Governing Council on the subject of such memorandums, which was submitted to the Governing Council at its twenty-fifth session (UNEP/GC.25/INF/8). The annex is presented without formal editing.

* UNEP/GC.26/1.

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Date Signed	Reference	Body	Title	Brief
04 April 2009	UNEP/UNESCO	United Nations Office for Project Services	MOU between UNEP and UNESCO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This corporate MOU was concluded in April 2009, and will remain effective for 5 years. - The purpose of this MOU is to provide a framework of cooperation and facilitate collaboration between the Parties, on a non-exclusive basis, to enable national governments to access UN expertise, based on national development priorities and plans, contributing to United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) outcomes and supporting complementary UN common country programming processes; and to undertake scientific research, monitoring and assessments and to provide policy advice to all Governments. - Pursuant to this MOU, the Parties intend to collaborate in the following areas: Climate change; Multi-scale environmental assessments; Freshwater; Ocean and coastal issues; Urban and coastal environmental issues; Biodiversity and ecosystem services; World Heritage; Education, awareness-raising and training; Access to environmental information; Disaster preparedness; Energy; and Gender and environment.

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15 April 2009	UNEP/UNESCAP		MoU between UNEP and UNESCAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This corporate MOU was concluded in April 2009, and will remain effective for 5 years. - Pursuant to this MOU, the Parties intend to reaffirm their commitment to utilize their respective comparative advantages in order to increase their collaboration and joint activities in support of internationally agreed environment and sustainable development goals. In particular, the Parties intend to cooperate in the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Green Growth/Green Economy Initiative o Climate Change/Low Carbon Development o Environmental Assessment o Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) and the Marrakech Process o Regional Environmental Governance: Coordination and Policy Support - UNDP will also be responsible to provide administrative and reimbursable support services to UNEP, as and when required.

Total Number of MOUs: 2