



# InforMEA Diploma on the International Legal Framework on Biological Diversity

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## Overview

Unlike individual InforMEA course certificates, the **InforMEA Diploma** will help you to gain a broader perspective and knowledge of the six thematic areas of InforMEA. You can follow the dedicated Learning Path for Biological Diversity at your own pace to obtain the **InforMEA Diploma**.

You can still obtain individual-courses certificates, but when you complete all the courses listed in an **InforMEA Diploma**, you will obtain a higher-level certification.

## Obtaining the diploma

Go to the Diploma page to start taking the mandatory courses. Once you have obtained all the individual course certificates, you will be able to download your **InforMEA Diploma** on the International Legal Framework on Biological Diversity.

## Mandatory courses

To obtain the **InforMEA Diploma**, you are required to successfully complete all the mandatory courses listed below in addition to two courses of your choice from the *Additional courses* list:

- Introductory course to International Environmental Law
- Introduction to Environmental Governance
- Introductory course to the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)
- Course for the National Focal Points for the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) and its Instruments
- Introductory Course to Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage
- Introductory Course to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
- Introductory Course to the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
- Introductory Course to the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands

## Additional courses

- Introductory Course to the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization
- Introductory Course to the International Legal Framework on Marine Biodiversity
- Farmers' Rights in the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
- Introductory Course to Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

## Learning objectives

At the end of this learning path, you will be able to:

1. Describe the sources of international law and the architecture of a Multilateral Environmental Agreement;
2. Explain the principles and concepts of International Environmental Governance;
3. List the impacts of pests and diseases to the environment, livelihoods and food security and describe the core components and mechanisms of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC);
4. Explain the role of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS);
5. List the Farmers' Rights in the management of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture and describe the evolution of those rights;
6. Describe potential benefit and adverse effects of Living Modified Organisms and identify core components and mechanisms established by the Cartagena Protocol;
7. Describe the importance of conserving our common heritage and identify the core components established by the World Heritage Convention;
8. Explain the importance of biological diversity for humankind and describe the components and mechanisms established by the Convention;
9. List the core components and mechanisms established by the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES);
10. Explain the relationship between crop diversity and food security and describe the core components and mechanisms of the Treaty;
11. Identify the core components and mechanisms established by the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization;
12. Describe the importance, characteristics and ecosystem services of wetlands and identify the core components and mechanisms established by the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands.