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### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

Aarhus Convention Convention on Access to Information, Public

Participation in Decision-making and Access to

Justice in Environmental Matters

ACCC Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

ACEF All-China Environment Federation
ACHR American Convention on Human Rights
AMCE African Ministerial Conference on Environment
Bern Convention Convention on the Conservation of European

Wildlife and Natural Habitats

Birds Directive Directive 79/409/EEC on the Conservation of Wild

Birds

Bonn Convention Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species

of Wild Animals

CAFF Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna
CBD Convention on Biological Diversity

CEACR Committee of Experts on the Application of

Conventions and Recommendations

CEDAW Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination

Against Women

CERD Committee on the Elimination of Racial

Discrimination

CJEU Court of Justice of the European Union
CHRD Center for Human Rights and Development
CLAPV Centre for Legal Assistance to Pollution Victims

CI Conservation International

CIFOR Center for International Forestry Research
CIEL Center for International Environmental Law

CoE Council of Europe

CPC Communist Party of China

CRC Committee on the Rights of the Child CRIN Child Rights International Network

CUMPM Communauté Urbaine Marseille Provence Métropole Directive 96/61/EC Council Directive 96/61/EC of 24 September 1996

Concerning Integrated Pollution Prevention and

Control

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Directive 2003/4/EC Directive 2003/4/EC of the European Parliament and

of the Council of 28 January 2003 on Public Access to Environmental Information and Repealing Council

Directive 90/313/EEC

Directive 2003/35/EC Directive 2003/35/EC of the European Parliament and

of the Council of 26 May 2003 Providing for Public Participation in Respect of the Drawing up of Certain Plans and Programs Relating to the Environment and Amending with regards to Public Participation and Access to Justice Council Directive 85/337/EEC and

96/61/EC

Directive 2010/75/EU Directive 2010/75/EU of the European Parliament

and of the Council of 24 November 2010 on Industrial Emissions (Integrated Pollution Prevention and

Control)

ECHR European Convention on Human Rights
ECE Economic Commission for Europe
ECtHR European Court of Human Rights
EEA European Environment Agency
EIA Environmental Impact Assessment

EIA Directive Council Directive 85/337/EEC of 27 June 1985 on the

Assessment of Certain Public and Private Projects on

the Environment

EPB Environmental Protection Bureau
ESRC Economic & Social Research Council

Espoo Convention Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment

in a Trans-boundary Context

EU European Union

EUR Euro

FPIC Free, Prior Informed Consent FPP Forest Peoples Programme

FIELD Foundation for International Environmental Law and

Development

FTE Full Time Employment
GDP Gross Domestic Product
GEF Global Environment Facility

GONGO Government Organized Non-Governmental

Organization

GPRG Global Poverty Research Group

Habitats Directive Directive 92/43/EEC on the Conservation of Natural

Habitats and of Wild Fauna and Flora

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Helsinki Convention Convention on the Protection of the Marine

Environment of the Baltic Sea Area

HRBA Human Rights-Based Approach HRS Household Responsibility System IAEA International Atomic Energy Agency

IAITPTF International Alliance of the Indigenous and Tribal

Peoples of the Tropical Forests

ICCPR International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights ICESCR International Covenant on Economic, Social and

Cultural Rights

ICERD International Convention on the Elimination of All

Forms of Racial Discrimination

ICRAF International Center for Research in AgroForestry ICRW International Center for Research on Women

IDS Institute of Development Studies

IIED International Institute for Environment and

Development

ILO International Labour Organization

INTRAC International NGO Training and Resource Center IPE Institute of Public and Environmental Affairs IPPC Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control IUCN International Union for Conservation of Nature

MAB Man and the Biosphere Programme
MEA Millennium Ecosystem Assessment
MEP Ministry of Environmental Protection
NGO Non-Governmental Organisation
NPC National People's Congress

NRDC Natural Resources Defense Council

OECD Organization for Economic Cooperation and

Development

OGI Open Governance Information

OHCHR Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights
OSPAR Convention Convention for the Protection of the Marine

Environment of the North-East Atlantic

PAs Protected Areas

PATF Protected Area Task Force

PEEN Pan-European Ecological Network

PEM Participatory Environmental Management
PoWPA Programme of Work on Protected Areas

PRC People's Republic of China

Ramsar Convention Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Rio Declaration Rio Declaration on Environment and Development

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#### List of Abbreviations

SACs Special Areas of Conservation SCI Sites of Community Importance

SEA Directive Directive 2001/42/EC of the European Parliament

and of the Council of 27 June 2001 on the Assessment of the Effects of Certain Plans and Programs on the

Environment

SEPA State Environmental Protection Administration "Seveso" Directive Council Directive of 24 June 1982 on the Major-

Accident Hazards of Certain Industrial Activities (82/501/EEC), issued on 24 June 1982 and replaced

by 87/216/EEC

SFA State Forestry Administration
SGLA Sino-Global Legal Alliance
SPAs Special Protection Areas
SPC Supreme People's Court

Stockholm Declaration Declaration of the United Nations Conference on the

**Human Environment** 

TNC The Nature Conservancy
TRI Toxic Release Inventory

UDHR Universal Declaration of Human Rights

UN United Nations

UNCED United Nations Conference on Environment and

Development

UNCF United Nations Children's Fund

UNCLOS United Nations Convention on Law of the Sea UNCSD United Nations Conference on Sustainable

Development

UNDRIP United Nations Declaration on the Rights of

Indigenous Peoples

UNDP United Nations Development Programme

UN/ECE United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural

Organization

UNFCCC United Nations Framework Convention on Climate

Change

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund Agency

USD United States Dollar

Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2000 Establishing

a Framework for Community Action in the Field of

Water Policy

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WCC World Conservation Congress

WCED World Commission on Environment and

Development

WCPA World Commission on Protected Areas
WDPA World Database on Protected Areas

WFFPDSFA Wild Fauna and Flora Protection Division of the State

Forestry Administration

WHC World Heritage Convention
WHO World Health Organization
WPC World Park Congress

WWF World Wide Fund for Nature

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