

Coordination of environmental planning and policy ACBA 7004

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Outline

- This week we explore national, multinational and international systems for the coordination of environmental policy. We place these systems in the context of SDGs and examine the success and failure of conventions and protocols.



Activity

- Please welcome Kaushi from Sri Lanka! Please use the first hour to discuss your SLS and get them caught up on any group decision making.
(1hr)

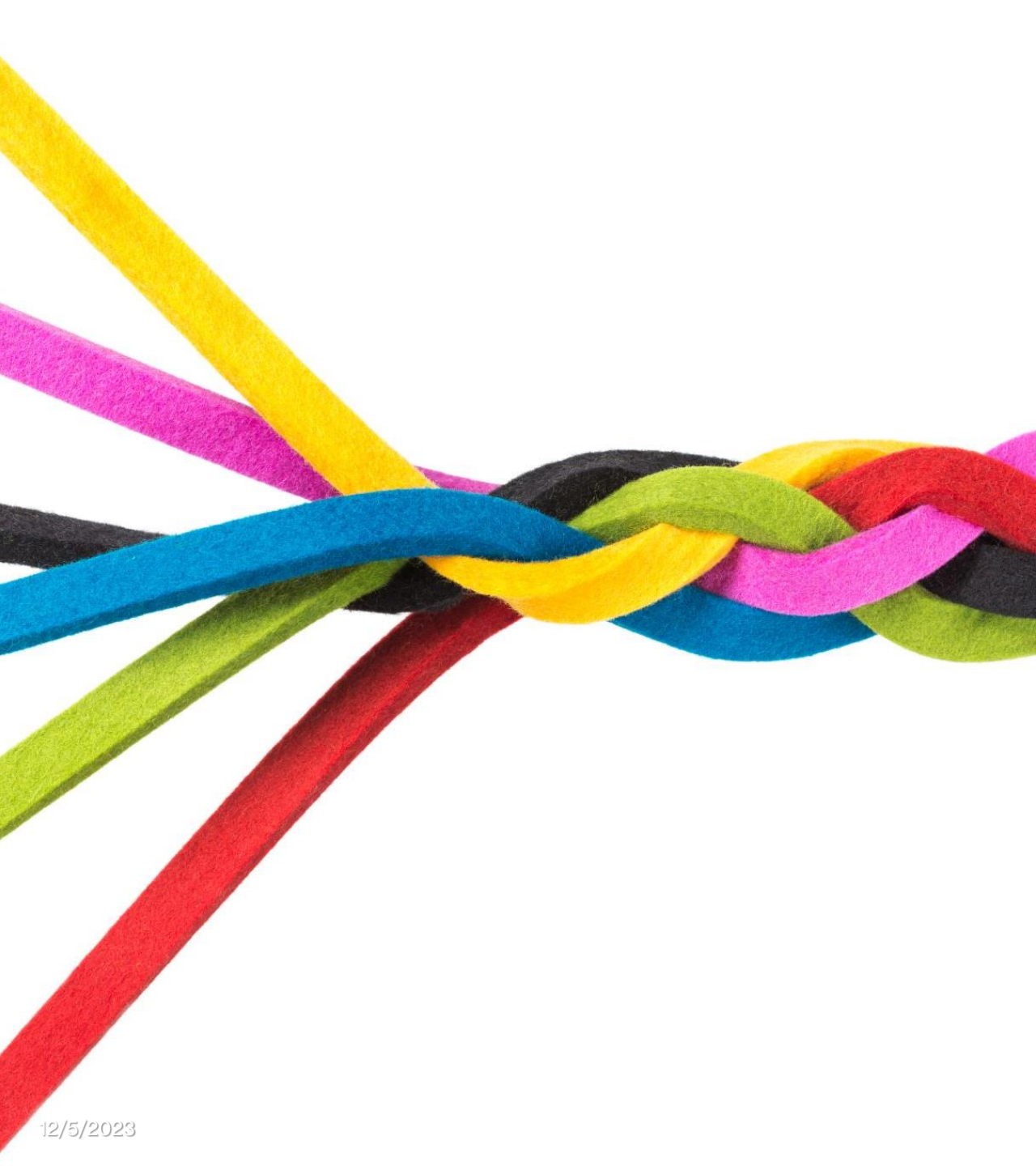




Activity

What EIA did you end up using? How will you structure your presentation?

Briefly summarise its scope/purpose to the group.



PESTEL Activity

- Exploring the role of MEA post-COP28.
- Are they fit for purpose?
- What can we do better?

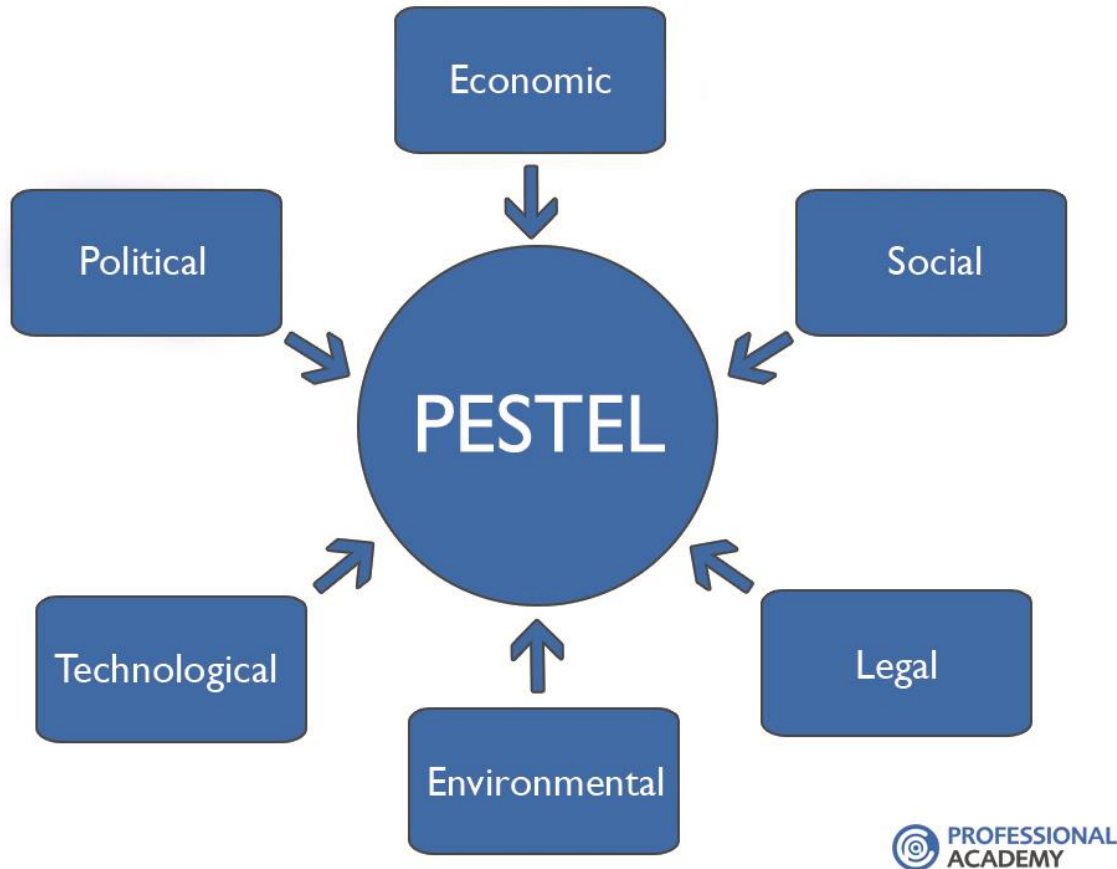
UNECE Multilateral Environmental Agreements MEA

- UNECE has negotiated five environmental conventions, also known as multilateral environmental agreements or MEAs, all of which are now in force.
- [Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution](#)
- [Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context](#)
- [Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes](#)
- [Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents](#)
- [Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters](#)

Five conventions

- The governing bodies of the UNECE MEAs are serviced by the UNECE secretariat, which also helps them to monitor the implementation of the treaties. While many of the UNECE environmental conventions started as regional instruments, a number of them have become or are in the process of going global, and the work under these MEAs has for a long time included States outside the UNECE region in their activities. This trend underscores the impact of the UNECE MEAs, which have transformed the legal and natural landscape in our region and beyond.
- The five conventions have been supplemented by a number of protocols, including:
 - [Protocol on Water and Health](#)
 - [Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment](#)
 - [Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers](#)
 - [Protocol on Civil Liability and Compensation for Damage Caused by the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents on Transboundary Waters](#) (not in force)

COP28 Activity



- We are currently in the middle of COP28. Referring to news and articles from COP28, complete a PESTEL analysis for a MEA or a convention from the list provided.
- You can work in pairs and will need to provide adequate evidence of research (e.g. citations and key data). You will be sharing your PESTEL analysis next week.