



IUCN Briefing for BBNJ negotiators

Principle of Solidarity- Principles & Approaches, Part I, Article V

Proposal: In Article V of the revised draft text, include:

In order to achieve the objective of this Agreement, States Parties shall be guided by the following

[...]

(x) a commitment to solidarity, States' affirmative obligation of mutual support in conserving and sustainably using marine biological diversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction

Key Message

The international law principle of Solidarity has evolved primarily in the area of international security relations and human rights. However it has been used in a number of recent environment instruments and can be seen as underpinning many commitments to contribute to capacity building, technology transfer or the financing of international environment funds, like the Green Climate Fund or the Global Environment Facility (GEF) finance. Solidarity has intrinsic worth as a potentially valuable principle to guide the BBNJ Agreement, whose success

