



## **APPEAL TO SUPPORT THE IAES PROJECT**

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## **INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMINAL COURT**

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### **APPEAL**

To all Heads of State and Government of the Countries that signed the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

### **PREAMBLE**

Problems deriving from the alteration of nature's resources have threatened human health throughout history. Over the centuries the relation between individuals and nature has been one of mutual aggression, where nature's response to man's intentional aggression was to poison the environment.

The project of the International Environmental Criminal Court, proposed by the International Academy of Environmental Sciences based in Venice, pursues a high political goal and the valorisation of natural and cultural resources as primary and intangible common heritage of mankind.

The principles proposed by the IAES in the Venice Charter 2006 ([www.iaes.info](http://www.iaes.info)) represent key aspects for an effective preservation of the Environment.

*We trust Men's strength of understanding against  
Men's brute strength towards nature.*

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*WE DECLARE THAT*

*WE ARE ALL RESPONSIBLE:*

EDUCATORS, POLITICIANS, SOCIAL ORGANISATIONS, TRADE UNIONS, CHURCHES, FOR SAVING AND PROTECTING OUR MOTHER EARTH AND WE PROCLAIM THAT "ANOTHER WORLD IS POSSIBLE"

*IN FUTURE OUR MOTHER EARTH*  
WON'T HAVE TO "LIVE" THROUGH FORESEEABLE TRAGEDIES SUCH AS BHOPAL, CHERNOBYL OR THE DESTRUCTION OF ECOSYSTEMS AS HAS OCCURRED IN MANY, TOO MANY, MARINE DISASTERS CAUSED BY IRREGULAR OIL-TANKERS

*WHOEVER HAS CAUSED*  
INTENTIONALLY ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTERS SHALL BE JUDGED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMINAL COURT IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A CONCRETE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT BY EFFECTIVE, PROPORTIONAL AND DISSUASIVE SANCTIONS

**WE INVITE**

All Heads of State and Government of the Countries that signed the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

- to promote initiatives to support the principles of the Charter of Venice 2006

and

- to present the amendment(s) to the United Nations for the revision of the Statute of the International Criminal Court to introduce the

**INTENTIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTER AS A  
CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY**

and

- to support the establishment in Venice of the International Environmental Criminal Court

**WE INVITE**

All relevant Institutions to promote any initiative to support the IAES project

**WE INVITE**

All citizens of our Mother Earth to contribute positively to the achievement of this project aiming at defending the Environment, so it will be considered as Common Heritage of Mankind.

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**The XIV Dalai Lama**



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**Antonino Abrami**  
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***Subscription for adhesion by the Heads of State and Government of the countries that signed the Rome Statute, to the IAES project for the institution of an International Environmental Criminal Court***

**A**

Afghanistan  
Albania  
Andorra  
Antigua and Barbuda  
Argentina  
Australia  
Austria

**B**

Barbados  
Belgium  
Belize  
Benin  
Bolivia  
Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Botswana  
Brazil  
Bulgaria  
Burkina Faso  
Burundi

**C**

Cambodia  
Canada  
Central African Republic  
Chad  
Colombia  
Comoros  
Congo  
Costa Rica  
Croatia  
Cyprus

**D**

Democratic Republic of the Congo  
Denmark  
Djibouti  
Dominica  
Dominican Republic

**E**

Ecuador  
Estonia

**F**

Fiji  
Finland  
France

**G**

Gabon  
Gambia  
Georgia  
Germany  
Ghana  
Greece  
Guinea  
Guyana

**H**

Honduras  
Hungary

**I**

Iceland  
Ireland  
Italy

**J**

Japan  
Jordan

**K**

Kenya

**L**

Latvia  
Lesotho  
Liberia  
Liechtenstein  
Lithuania  
Luxembourg

**M**

Malawi  
Mali  
Malta  
Marshall Islands  
Mauritius  
Mexico  
Mongolia  
Montenegro

**N**

Namibia  
Nauru  
Netherlands  
New Zealand  
Niger  
Nigeria  
Norway

**P**

Panama  
Paraguay  
Peru  
Poland  
Portugal

**R**

Republic of Korea  
Romania

**S**

Saint Kitts and Nevis  
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines  
Samoa  
San Marino  
Senegal  
Serbia  
Sierra Leone  
Slovakia  
Slovenia  
South Africa  
Spain  
Sweden  
Switzerland

**T**

Tajikistan  
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia  
Timor-Leste  
Trinidad and Tobago

**U**

Uganda  
United Kingdom  
United Republic of Tanzania  
Uruguay

**V**

Venezuela

**Z**

Zambia