









ELEVEN GOVERNMENTS OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN: Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica,

Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay signed the Declaration on the Implementation of Principle 10 of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development. The Declaration has launched a process to create a regional instrument to promote transparency, inclusiveness and accountability in environmental decision-making, a move with huge implications for the rights of Latin American and Caribbean citizens.

This side event will inform interested governments and stakeholders on the LAC process regarding a regional instrument on Principle 10 and encourage engagement in the process.

THE ACCESS INITIATIVE

TAI is dedicated to improving citizens' access to environmental decision-making, strengthening the enforcement of environmental law and policy, combating corruption, and realizing human rights. Within the region, in the run-up to Rio+20, TAI partners were actively involved in the process of advocating that governments adopt an instrument for the region.

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ment, promote human health, and create a just and sustainable world. Our work falls into four strategic areas: protecting the global environment and human health; reforming international economic law, policy, and institutions; promoting human rights and environmental justice; and strengthening expertise and capacities in environmental law. Throughout its history, CIEL has played a key leadership role in establishing a firm foundation of legal analysis to strengthen progressive efforts by civil society.

AGENDA

- Welcome and Introduction of the LAC Process Mr. Julio Cordano, Head of the Department of Sustainable Development, Ministry of Foreigns Affirs of Chile
- Road Map 2012-2014 Mrs. Tirsis Quezada, Director of Planning and Development, Ministry of the Environment and Natural Resources, Dominican Republic
- The LAC Principle 10 Instrument: Options and Objectives Dr. Marcos Orellana, Director, Environmental Health Program, Center for International Environmental Law
- Modalities for Public Participation in the Regional **Process** Mrs. Carole Excell, Senior Associate, The Access Initiative, World Resources Institute
- **Closing Remarks** Mr. Alejandro Rivera Becerra, Director of Environmental Governance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico
- Q&A

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