

INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

As an emerging field in the legal profession, International Environmental Law is becoming increasingly relevant both in terms of risk and opportunity for companies operating globally. National and international environmental regulations along with so-called "soft law" policies created by international monetary and development organizations impose ever increasing responsibilities and obligations on multinational business entities. Moore and Van Allen's attorneys possess the experience and knowledge to successfully educate and advise clients on the impact of global, regional and cross-border environmental, health and safety regimes.

Additionally, Moore and Van Allen can advise clients on how to manage international and domestic regulatory requirements and business risks relating to several specific key treaties governing hazardous wastes, industrial chemicals, climate change and nanotechnology. These treaties include but are not limited to the Montreal Protocol, the Basel Convention, the Kyoto Protocol, the Law of the Sea, the Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) Convention, the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM), and the European Union's (EU) proposed REACH Chemicals Directive.

Finally, Moore and Van Allen can advise clients on potential conflicts between national and international law, specifically with regard to World Trade Organization trade law and other domestic regimes governing trade and manufacturing, and the transport of chemicals and hazardous materials across national boundaries.