

Sustainable development:

In the Brundtland Report, prepared by the World Commission on Environment and Development, the expression 'sustainable development' was formally introduced. However, according to many, the concept of sustainability was reflected in state practice much earlier.

Subsequently, many treaties and other Acts have supported, directly or indirectly, the sustainable use of natural resources and advanced the idea that states have a legal obligation and responsibility to conserve natural resources and support the concept of sustainable development. It was defined as 'development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs'.

Some terminology :

Natural Resources:

Sustainable usage:

Legal obligation:

Treaties:

World Commission on Environment and Development:

needs of future generations