



United Nations Environment Programme and Clean Up the World

Clean Up the World is a global outreach program implemented in conjunction with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). UNEP assists Clean Up the World's international publicity campaign through distribution of media materials and endorsement of the program, as well as encouraging a worldwide network of environment and community groups to participate.

UNEP's mission is 'to provide leadership and encourage partnership in caring for the environment by inspiring, informing and enabling nations and peoples to improve their quality of life without compromising that of future generations.'

Established in 1972, UNEP encourages sustainable development through sound environmental practices. UNEP is headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, with major offices in Paris and Geneva. Six regional offices are located in Bangkok, Geneva, Manama, Nairobi, Panama City and Washington DC. Liaison and outposted offices exist in Addis Ababa, Athens, Beijing, Brasilia, Brussels, Cairo, Geneva, Kalmar, Moscow, New York, Osaka, Paris, The Hague and Vienna.

UNEP named Clean Up the World founder Ian Kiernan AO a Global 500 Laureate in 1993 for his local and global environmental work and leadership. He was also awarded the prestigious UNEP Sasakawa Environment Prize in 1998 for "mobilizing tens of millions of people around the globe to take responsibility for their own environment."

Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP, endorses the Clean Up the World campaign.

UNEP's partnership with Clean Up the world is something we are proud of. UNEP helped the campaign get started in 1993, and we have stood shoulder to shoulder ever since. We are grateful to Clean Up the World for highlighting important environmental issues, and for linking the campaign to UNEP's annual theme for World Environment Day, which we celebrate on 5 June. Clean Up the World encapsulates one fundamental idea: how to mobilize people around the world to take on the practical challenge of environmental sustainability. It sounds a very ambitious objective, but it is in our cities, our gardens, our public parks and on the beaches that each one of us can begin to make a difference.

To learn more visit:

United Nations Environment Programme - www.unep.org

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World Environment Day, celebrated each year on 5 June is one of the principal vehicles through which the [United Nations Environment Programme](http://www.unep.org) stimulates worldwide awareness of the environment and focuses political attention and action.

Each year, Clean Up the World members participate in a range of activities to celebrate World Environment Day.

For more information on World Environment Day visit: www.unep.org/wed/2009

