

# Global Environmental Governance and Biofuels: Addressing Climate Change and Biodiversity Conservation Issues?

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# INTRODUCTION

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- ✘ “Greening” biofuels?
- ✘ Complex scenario:  
Multiple issues, public policies and legal pluralism
- ✘ How global environmental governance responds to this challenge?

# DISCUSSION

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## ✘ The state of biofuel governance in the world:

*National and supranational agendas:*

- BR, USA and EU.

*International initiatives:*

- UNPD, UNEP, FAO, UN-Energy and IEA/OECD;
- Global Bioenergy Partnership and International Biofuel Forum;
- Roundtable of Sustainable Soy, Roundtable of Sustainable Palm Oil and Roundtable of Sustainable Biofuels.

# DISCUSSION

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## ✘ Insights for a multilateral biofuel governance framework:

*Multi-sector, multi-level and multi-actor governance?*

*Options of institutional design:*

- Separate issue or within a larger policy area?
  - > IRENA and REN21.
- One or more policy frameworks having biofuel as a focused issue?

# CONCLUSION

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- ✘ Biofuels: top on political agendas, but faces controversies;
- ✘ Current international biofuel governance: improvement is needed;
- ✘ The argument:  
Process of global governance is one of the proposition of a new act in society, less concerned with formalities and more attentive to results.

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