Implementation of Rio+20: Legal Measures for the Green Economy

What are the principal challenges and successes in designing innovative instruments to promote a green economy, as reflected in the Rio+20 outcomes? How are these instruments being applied, and what are the key national and international innovations? What can we learn from new law and policy best practices, such as payment for environmental services, fair trade certification, carbon taxes, and access to information?

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