

The Earth Charter

“ We must realize that when basic needs have been met, human development is primarily about

being more, not having more.”

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The Earth Charter offers a set of values and principles for a just, sustainable and peaceful future. It provides a blueprint for a sustainable world.

At the end of the 20th century, a movement began to create a new **vision of interconnectedness**, an “Earth Charter,” which was created through a decade-long process of dialogue involving people in all regions of the globe. It was launched in 2000.

Building on the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Earth



Charter broadens the context to consider our responsibility toward the whole community of life and future generations.

It recognizes that sustainability involves developing all aspects of our lives and human society – the social, economic, cultural, ecological, spiritual and political.

“ The Earth Charter shifts us from viewing nature simply as a resource for human use to nature as **a source of life;** from seeing Earth as a commodity to Earth as a community of life. ”

Mary Evelyn Tucker



ENDANGERED ANIMALS

LEAFY SEA DRAGON

The Leafy Sea Dragon is a kind of seahorse found only in Australia. It is around 20cm long and eats plankton. It uses the fins around its head to move.

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