

**Comments from the Saint Lucia National Trust**  
**on ECLAC's proposal on matters to be considered in the regional instrument**

**(i) Access to Environmental Information**

- Passive Transparency & Active Transparency

The following could be considered for inclusion under this right:

(a) Timeliness and

(b) Periodic surveys to determine if:

- The information disseminated is received, understood and where necessary acted upon and
- The communication channels being used are appropriate and effective.

**(ii) Access to Justice**

- In addition to the training of judicial and administrative officers, there should be training for law enforcement (i.e. police officers, etc.).

**(iii) Means of Implementation**

Although it is admirable that 18 countries have already signed on to the Latin America and Caribbean Declaration on Principle 10, there are several Caribbean countries that still need to be cajoled to sign on sooner rather than later. As such, one suggestion is to encourage representatives from civil society and government of signatory countries to liaise with their counterparts from non-signatory countries to arrange appearances on Television and Radio Programmes and meetings with the Government Ministers and CBOs/NGOs, etc. This move would ensure that there is increased awareness and promotion of P10 in these countries. Considering that travelling is costly, the recommendation is therefore for these representatives to engage in these partnerships on any business or personal trips they might already have scheduled to non-signatory countries.