



Convention on
Biological Diversity



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Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

Risk Assessment and Management



The Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety requires countries to carry out risk assessments to identify and evaluate the potential adverse effects of living modified organisms (LMOs) on the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, taking also into account risks to human health.

Risk assessment should be conducted in a scientifically sound and transparent manner and on a case-by-case basis.

Countries should take appropriate measures to manage the risks identified during the risk assessment and to prevent unintentional movements of LMOs from country to country.

