**Acronyms**

AOGCM Atmosphere-ocean general circulation model

BCR Benefit-cost ratio

CBA Cost-benefit analysis

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity

CBR Cost-benefit ratio

CC Climate change

CDM Clean Development Mechanism (under the Kyoto Protocol)

CEA Cost-effectiveness analysis

CFC Chlorofluorocarbon

COP Conference of the parties (under the UNFCCC)

CPEIR Climate Public Expenditure and Institutional Review

CRA Climate risk assessment

DRR Disaster risk reduction

EC European Commission

EEA European Environment Agency

GCCA Global Climate Change Alliance

GCM Global circulation model

GEF Global Environment Facility

GHG Greenhouse gas

GIS Geographical information systems

GMO Genetically Modified Organism

GWP Global warming potential

IAM Integrated assessment model

ICZM Integrated Coastal Zone Management

IPCC Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

IPM Integrated Pest Management

IRR Internal rate of return

IWRM Integrated Water Resources Management

LDCs Least developed countries

MCA Multi-criteria analysis

MDGs Millennium development goals

MEA Multilateral Environmental Agreements

MTEF Medium-term expenditure framework

NAMAs Nationally appropriate mitigation actions

NAPAs National adaptation programmes of actions

NCSA National capacity self-assessment

NPV Net present value

NR Natural Resources

OECD Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development

PAF Performance assessment framework

PEER Public environmental expenditure review

PER Public expenditure review

POP Persistent Organic Pollutants

R&D Research and development

REDD+ UNFCCC-related initiative aimed at reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation

SEA Strategic environmental assessment

SIDS Small island developing states

ToR Terms of reference

UNCDD United Nations Conventions to Combat Desertification and Land Degradation

UNDP United Nations Development Programme

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme

UNFCCC United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change