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**THE REGULATION OF SUSTAINABLE PASTURELAND MANAGEMENT WITH
AN EMPHASIS ON THE LAWS OF MONGOLIA, WITH EXAMPLES FROM
ICELAND, AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND AND RECENT INTERNATIONAL
TREATIES IN THE FIELD OF THE ENVIRONMENT**

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ABSTRACT

Ecosystem and land degradation, including the deterioration of pasturelands, is one of the most serious environmental problems in many states, including Mongolia, Iceland, Australia and New Zealand. The principal objective of the study is to describe and analyse to a certain extent the relevant Mongolian laws and policy instrument relating to pastureland use and management to set forth a proposal for legal changes in Mongolia. Examples from Icelandic, Australian and New Zealand's legislation will be used to make particular points. The study is furthermore set in a global context where some international policy issues relating to sustainable development as well as some multilateral environmental agreements and their objectives and principles play a role and it will be argued that Mongolia has not managed to implement or legally operationalize their main principles. In this light the study sets forth a proposal of guidelines for legal reforms of the Mongolian legislation on pasturelands and their management.