



**THE INTERNATIONAL MOUNTAINEERING AND CLIMBING FEDERATION**  
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## **Mission**

To assist the UIAA and its member federations to secure the freedom to practice mountaineering and climbing in ways which are sensitive to environmental, social and legal considerations.

## **Objectives**

Within the principles set by the UIAA Environmental Objectives and guidelines, the Commission will:

- Promote the freedom to practice mountaineering and climbing in a responsible manner as a fundamental human right.
- Provide advice, with supporting documentation, on the relationship between mountaineering and climbing and environmental, social and legal considerations.
- Encourage best practice in harmonising access with these considerations, and support member federations in challenging inappropriate restrictions.
- Liaise with international organisations on access and conservation issues and provide assistance, when requested, to member federations on such issues within their own countries.
- Foster research in support of the commissions aims.

## **Goals**

- Provide regular articles on important issues to the UIAA Journal and other publications concerned with mountaineering and climbing issues.
- Contribute to the UIAA website to cover current issues and their resolution in an interesting and vibrant manner.
- Be represented at major international conference where access and conservation issues are discussed