## **Arab Meeting on Environment**

The Executive Board of the Council of Arab Environment Ministers held its 26th Meeting from 22–24 May in Rabat, Morocco. The Ministers discussed a set of issues related to the projected Arab free trade area, trade and environment, as well as the impact of the Abu Dhabi Declaration on Arab Action in the field of environment (see above and on page 182).

The Meeting also considered preparations for the 2002 Earth Summit in Johannesburg, the meeting on climate change to be held in Marrakesh in November 2001, and the enforcement by Arab countries of the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone-Layer.

