## **Ecological**

problems

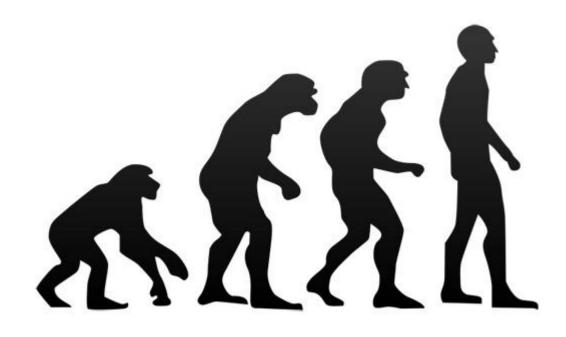
## The first global environmental crisis humanity has survived even in the Neolithic





At the beginning of the Neolithic man invented weapons:

bow, spear, and others. It is possible to quickly, perhaps in a few thousand years destroy the mammoths and other large animals. This greatly changed the ecological picture.



But with the development of civilization man's interference in nature began to increase.

Large cities with thousands of smoky industrial enterprises appear all over the world today. The by-products of their activity pollute the air we breathe, the water we drink, the land we grow grain and vegetables on.



Every year world industry pollutes the atmosphere with about 1000 million tons of dust and other harmful substances. Many cities suffer from smog. Vast forests are cut and burn in fire. Their disappearance upsets the oxygen balance. As a result some rare species of animals, birds, fish and plants disappear forever, a number of rivers and lakes dry up.



## major environmental threat

- Gases,
  - Oil,
- garbage.





The most dangerous environmental katastrofaperiod after the Chernobyl disaster in April 1986



Environmental protection is of a universal concern. That is why serious measures to create a system of ecological security should be taken.





Some progress has been already made in this direction. As many as 159 countries — members of the UNO — have set up environmental protection agencies. Numerous conferences have been held by these agencies to discuss problems facing ecologically poor regions including the Aral Sea, the South Urals, Kuzbass, Donbass, Semipalatinsk and Chernobyl.



But these are only the initial steps and they must be carried onward to protect nature, to save life on the planet not only for the sake of the present but also for the future generations.

Thank you, for attention