Registration information for the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

Participation:

Governmental and non-governmental stakeholders planning to participate in the Conference must be accredited to the United Nations for registering to this process.

The following participants may attend or be represented: States Members of the United Nations, members of specialized agencies and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea; intergovernmental organizations; associate members of regional commissions; United Nations system; non-governmental organizations and major groups as well as other relevant stakeholders; and Media.

States Members:

**Registration to the Conference (5-9 June 2017) (UNHQ, New York, USA):**

Government officials, through their Permanent Missions to the United Nations in New York, should notify the United Nations Protocol and Liaison Service of their participation in the Conference. A letter signed by the head of chancery or an authorizing official with an official seal containing the names and functional titles of the delegation should be addressed to:

Mr. Peter Van Laere  
Chief of Protocol  
UN Protocol and Liaison Service  
Att. Ms. Wai Tak Chua  
Room S-0201  
United Nations  
New York, NY 10017  
Fax +1 (212) 963 1921  
Email: unprotocol@un.org

*United Nations grounds pass*

To obtain UN grounds pass, permanent missions in New York may submit their requests via the online accreditation system “eAccreditation” at [http://delegate.un.int](http://delegate.un.int). Information regarding the “eAccreditation” system can be found at [http://www.un.int/protocol](http://www.un.int/protocol).

**Deadline for registration to the Conference: Monday, 29 May 2017**

**Intergovernmental organisations (IGOs) and other entities**

**Registration to the Conference**

IGOs and other entities interested in participating as observers in the Conference are required to be accredited to the United Nations and register accordingly.
The Conference will be open to participation by the following accredited IGOs:

- Those with observer status with the General Assembly
- Those that were previously accredited to the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD)
- Those that were accredited to the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20)
- Those that were previously accredited to the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States (Samoa)
- Those that were previously accredited to the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius)
- Those that were previously accredited to Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados)

IGOs and entities already accredited

(A) United Nations accredited IGOs and entities with an office in New York may follow the same procedure for member States via the online accreditation system “eAccreditation” at http://delegate.un.int. They should also notify the United Nations Protocol and Liaison Service of their participation in the Conference. A letter signed by the head of the organization with an official seal containing the names and functional titles of the delegation should be sent to the Protocol and Liaison Service mentioned above.

(B) United Nations accredited IGOs and entities away from New York and already enrolled in the online accreditation system “eAccreditation” may follow the same procedure specified in (A) above.

(C) United Nations accredited IGOs without an office in New York should follow the procedure below:

i. Submit a letter to the Chief of Protocol, stamped/sealed and signed by the head of the organization, with the names and functional titles of the delegation attending the meeting. In addition, **the letter must include a name and an email address of the focal point of the organization handling the request**. A copy of this letter should also be sent to the General Assembly Affairs Branch/Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (Secretariat of the Conference, Att. Ms. Radhika Ochalik, email: ochalik@un.org).

ii. Attach an SG.6 form for each member of the delegation; (the SG.6 form can be found at http://www.un.int/protocol, under “Registration Process → Forms”)

iii. Send both (i) and (ii) to the Protocol and Liaison Service at Room S-0201, by fax to 1-212-963-1921 or by email to unprotocol@un.org.

The focal point will be notified of the accreditation approval(s) via email. The email is the actual approval notification, a hard copy of which must be presented together with a valid passport or government photo ID to the United Nations Pass and ID unit for the issuance of a UN grounds pass. The focal point must ensure that copies of the approval notifications be given to the participants before leaving for New York.

**Deadline for registration to the Conference: Monday, 29 May 2017:**
Non-accredited IGOs

Other IGOs interested in obtaining an ad hoc accreditation for the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainable use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development (5 to 9 June 2017) can submit an application addressed to the President of the General Assembly.

Interested IGOs are invited to send a letter from the head of the organization on official letterhead (with the original signature) addressed to the President of the General Assembly requesting for ad hoc accreditation to the Conference and describing the work of the organization related to the Conference objectives; provide copies of the organization’s establishing agreement (a formal treaty or other legal instrument); provide information on the membership of the organization; and submit the latest annual report.

Upon review of the applications by the Secretariat, the applications will be forwarded to the General Assembly for its consideration.

The letter addressed to the President of the General Assembly can be sent to:

Secretariat of the Conference
Ms. Radhika Ochalik
Email: ochalik@un.org

Deadline to apply for ad hoc accreditation to the Conference after the preparatory meeting: Monday, 15 May 2017

Only after the approval by the General Assembly, the representatives of the newly accredited IGO will be issued a UN-ID Pass in accordance with the same procedures highlighted in para (C) for IGOs without an office in New York.

Deadline for registration to the Conference: Wednesday, 24 May 2017

Associate members of regional commissions

Representatives of associate members of regional commissions (American Samoa, Anguilla, Aruba, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Curaçao, French Polynesia, Guadeloupe, Guam, Martinique, Montserrat, New Caledonia, Puerto Rico, Sint Maarten, Turks and Caicos Islands, and United States Virgin Islands) are required to follow the same accreditation procedure highlighted in para (C) for IGOs without an office in New York, for issuance of UN-ID.

Deadline for registration to the Conference: Monday, 29 May 2017

United Nations system:

Registration to the Conference

Specialised agencies and related organisations: The registration of the representative of the Specialised agencies and related organizations of the UN system (ILO, FAO, UNESCO, ICAO, WHO, World Bank, IMF, UPU, ITU, WMO, IMO, WIPO, IFAD, UNIDO, IAEA,
WTO, UNWTO, CTBTO, ICC, OPCW, ISA, ITLOS and IOM) follows the same procedures as for States and IGOs and other entities with observer status with the General Assembly for the Conference (UNHQ, New York, USA).

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**United Nations funds, programmes, regional commissions and other entities** (UNAIDS, UNCTAD, UNDP, UNEP, UNFCCC, UNFPA, UN-HABITAT, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNISDR, UNITAR, UNODC, UNOPS, UNRWA, UNU, UN-WOMEN, WFP, ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP, ESCWA, CBD, UNCCD)

Registration to the Conference (UNHQ, New York, USA) will require a formal letter signed by entity’s Principal or designated official listing the member(s) of the delegation to be sent to:

Division for Sustainable Development/UNDESA  
Ms. Federica Pietracci  
Email: pietracci@un.org

A copy should also be sent to:  
General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division/DGACM  
Secretariat of the Conference  
Att: Ms. Radhika Ochalik  
Email: ochalik@un.org

**Deadline for registration to the Conference: Monday, 29 May 2017**

**NGOs and other Major Groups organisations**

Registration to the Conference (UNHQ, New York, USA)

Pre-registration is required for interested representatives of non-governmental organizations and major groups identified in Agenda 21 to participate in the Conference. Pre-registration is open from 27 March 2017 – 8 May 2017 in the CSO net for organizations belonging to the following categories:

- organizations that are in consultative status with ECOSOC;
- organizations accredited to the World Summit on Sustainable Development, the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development and to previous United Nations conferences on sustainable development of small island developing States, held in Barbados, Mauritius and Samoa;
- organizations that have been approved for special accreditation to participate in the Conference and the preparatory meeting (for list please see: http://www.un.org/pga/71/wp-content/uploads/sites/40/2015/08/8-Feb-approved-stakeholders-for-the-ocean-conference.pdf).

**Media accreditation and services:**

Media accreditation is strictly reserved for members of the press: print, photo, radio, television, film, news agencies, and online media who represent a bona fide media organization.
Missions in New York may submit requests for media accreditation, including for official photo and video, via the online accreditation system “eAccreditation” at http://delegate.un.int (please select Media from the Capacity pull down menu).

Media members wishing to apply on their own for accreditation should follow the instructions at http://www.un.org/en/media/accreditation/request.shtml

Photographers and camera operators will be escorted to various conference rooms from the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit's office, S-250.

Questions on media accreditation should be referred to malu@un.org or 212-963-6934

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