











Information Note for Major Groups and Other Stakeholders Participation at the 2023 HLPF



Programme

The HLPF annotated programme is now available on the HLPF website at: https://hlpf.un.org/2023/programme

Registration

Registration for Major Groups and Other Stakeholders (MGoS) and NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC to the 2023 HLPF <u>is now closed</u>. Kindly liaise directly with the Coordination Mechanism focal points. Their contact information is available at: https://hlpf.un.org/2023/stakeholders

Visas

Obtaining a visa appointment remains a challenge in some countries. The Secretariat is unfortunately unable to provide support for obtaining a visa appointment, if you are not an invited speaker listed in the official HLPF programme.

UN grounds pass

Registered participants to the HLPF who do not already hold a UN grounds pass will need to pick up their HLPF passes at the **UN Pass and ID Unit located at 320 East 45th Street.** (Tel: 1-212-963-7533)

<u>Please bring a copy of the confirmation letter generated by the Indico registration system</u> (either electronic or printed paper copy) along with a valid photo ID.

To facilitate participation in the meetings, the hours of the UN Pass and ID Unit have been extended as follows:













 Sunday 9 July
 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

 Monday 10 July
 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

 Monday 17 July
 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

On all other days, the Unit will maintain normal office hours from Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Access to UN Headquarters

The UN Visitors Entrance is located at 46th Street and First Avenue and will be open as follows:

Monday, 10 July: 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM Tuesday, 11 July: 7:30 AM - 7:00 PM Wednesday, 12 July: 7:30 AM - 7:00 PM Thursday, 13 July: 7:30 AM - 7:00 PM Friday, 14 July: 7:30 AM - 7:00 PM Monday, 17 July: 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM Tuesday, 18 July: 7:30 AM - 7:00 PM 7:30 AM - 7:00 PM Wednesday, 19 July: Thursday, 20 July: 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Secondary Passes

To manage the capacity limits of Conference Room 4, a limited number of secondary passes will be issued each morning. If you are a confirmed speaker for a session, please coordinate with the relevant MGoS Coordination Mechanism focal point for your group to obtain a secondary pass the morning prior to your session, to ensure that you will have access to Conference Room 4 for that session.

MGoS Coordination Room

Conference Room F is the dedicated coordination space for Major Groups and other Stakeholders, for every day of the HLPF. The MGoS are welcome to hold coordination meetings there and are invited to organize and share a schedule.

This room will be used to distribute secondary passes at 8:30am each morning for speakers and MGoS who need to be present in the room for the day's discussions.

The MGoS Coordination Mechanism focal points will distribute these secondary passes to each day's speakers and other MGoS representatives who need to be in the Conference Room that day.













There will also be a limited number of secondary passes available at the back entrance of the Conference Room 4, which will be distributed at the beginning of each session to allow representatives of NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC to access the room and observe from the gallery.

How to get involved or request a speaking role

Please reach out to the co-chairs of the coordination mechanism for the MGoS:

Rashima Kwatra: rashima.kwatra@rfsl.se
 Mabel Bianco: bianco.mabel@gmail.com
 Mr. Ajay Jha: k.ajay.j@gmail.com

HLPF official sessions

All official sessions of the 2023 HLPF will be available to watch via UN Web TV.

Opening of the HLPF on 10 July, and the opening of the ECOSOC Ministerial Segment on 17 July (General Assembly Hall)

MGoS are advised that limited seating will be available in the 4th floor balcony, on a first-come, first seated basis, with no need for any special passes.

Official Thematic Sessions - MGoS Lead Discussants

(Conference Room 4)

The MGoS representatives invited as Lead Discussants have received guidance and instruction from the session focal points. They will also be provided with secondary passes to ensure access to the room during their session.

In addition, there will always be 12 reserved seats with microphones in Conference Room 4. One seat for each of the nine original Major Groups plus 3 seats for other Stakeholders. They may be called upon to speak during the interactive discussions.

Secondary passes will be distributed by the MGoS focal point every morning in Room F to MGoS who will be occupying the designated 12 seats in each session. A limited number of additional passes will also be distributed for MGoS to access seating in the gallery.

Stakeholder Perspectives - Official Thematic Session

(Conference Room 4)

The MGoS Official Session is scheduled to take place on Friday 14 July from 9:00 to 11:00am. It is titled: <u>Perspectives from major groups and other stakeholders at the mid-point of the SDGs:</u>













<u>Towards inclusive transformation</u>. The speakers for this session can be found in the annotated programme.

The background note with guiding questions is available on the documents page at: https://hlpf.un.org/2023/documentation

Official VNR Sessions - MGoS Interventions/Questions

(Conference Room 4)

The usual practice of inviting Major Groups and other Stakeholders to ask a question of VNR countries following their presentations will continue this year. UN DESA is working with the MGoS VNR Task Group to secure visas and provide funding for these speakers to participate in person. There may be limited allowance for virtual participation by invited speakers who are unable to participate in person.

VNR Labs

Open to all with a valid HLPF pass. More information and details can be found here: https://hlpf.un.org/2023/vnr-labs

Preparation

The HLPF website includes a preparation page, with links to reports from the regional forums and information on expert group meetings held in advance of the HLPF: https://hlpf.un.org/2023/preparation

Documentation

All reports by the Secretary-General, background notes and other documentation can be found at: https://hlpf.un.org/2023/documentation

Thank you to all Major Groups and other Stakeholder who contributed MGoS Sectoral Position Papers. The submission of MGoS Paragraph 89 reports is still ongoing. Please continue to share all reports with Emnet Bekele: bekelee@un.org

Side Events

The schedule for side events is available here:

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Exhibitions and Special Events:

Details on special events at the 2023 HLPF are here:

https://hlpf.un.org/2023/other-events











