



HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

PLEASE NOTE THAT DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS 13 MAY 2025.

Criteria and Guidelines for Exhibitions at the 2025 HLPF

“Advancing sustainable, inclusive, science- and evidence-based solutions for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals for leaving no one behind”.

Exhibitions sponsored by Member States, the UN system and other Inter-Governmental Organizations as well as accredited Major Groups and other stakeholders (MGoS) will be welcomed at the UN Headquarters in New York, on the margins of the High-Level Political Forum 2025 (HLPF 2025), from 14 to 23 July 2025.

Any Member State, UN-entity, IGO or MGoS interested in participating in the exhibition must submit a proposal using the online exhibition request form and provide a detailed description of the proposed exhibition, including an explanation of how its thematic focus relates to the exhibition theme **“Advancing sustainable, inclusive, science- and evidence-based solutions for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals for leaving no one behind”.**

Five Sustainable Development Goals that would be the focus of HLPF 2025, namely;

- **Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages ;**
- **Goal 5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls ;**
- **Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all;**
- **Goal 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development; and SDG;**
- **Goal 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development.**

To secure space, please submit completed [Application for exhibitions](#) form to the Secretariat **by 13 May 2025**. Preference is given to proposals presented on behalf of groups and/or partnership among entities on a first come, first serve basis. Kindly attach a detailed description of the exhibition, including all organizing partners, the thematic focus, elements of the exhibition and dimensions.

Applications for exhibition spaces will be reviewed by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Space will be allocated based on the scale of exhibition.

Approved exhibits will be notified directly by end of-May and must confirm acceptance of the space by mid-June 2025.

To expedite the application process for exhibition spaces it is strongly suggested that all applications be completed in either English or French languages.

To ensure that as many organizers as possible can be accommodated, exhibition proponents are strongly encouraged to partner and involve several other co-organizers.

A lead organizer must be clearly identified by the exhibitor and only one exhibition is permitted for every organization proposing to host exhibitions during the 2025 HLPF. **All financial costs associated with the exhibition are to be borne by the organizers.**

The HLPF secretariat will make every effort to accommodate all eligible requests for exhibitions. However, due to the high level of demand expected for exhibitions during the HLPF, it might not be possible to accommodate all requests at the UN Headquarters.

Exhibitions will be accommodated on the first floor and the basement level (1B) of the Secretariat Conference building. Exhibitions can be visited by all accredited and registered participants to the 2024 HLPF and must remain in place for the duration of the forum.

Generally, exhibition spaces can only accommodate hanging exhibits (such as pictures, posters, portraits and banners), table displays, standalone exhibits and small display cases. Tables for exhibition can be provided at a cost but must be reserved at the time of request.

No drilling and/or hanging directly on the walls will be allowed. A limited number of secured panels are provided along some walls for hanging items like pictures, paintings, posters, etc. Large or bulky items most likely cannot be accommodated.

All financial costs and charges associated with the services provided should be the responsibility of the event organizers and will need to be paid fully in advance prior to the event.

No security services are made available explicitly for the exhibition spaces during the exhibition exercise. Setup costs will be required for services requested on weekends. Usually at an hourly rate for two staff members, one security officer and a relevant staff.

Publicizing an exhibition is the responsibility of its organizers. The Secretariat will not produce fliers, distribute notices, or run other publicity or outreach efforts on behalf of the exhibitors.

General UN Rules Governing Exhibitions

Exhibition organizers can request services needed for their exhibition which should be specified in the online request form.

The sale of printed materials or any goods on UN grounds during the exhibition or at any other time is strictly prohibited. Any material or goods distributed as part of an exhibition should be offered free of charge.

Exhibition organizers are responsible for their exhibitions. The Secretariat is not responsible for damage or loss of exhibition materials.

It is the responsibility of the exhibition organizers to make their own arrangements regarding ground passes according to the rules governing registration and participation in the HLPF. Information can be found on the High-Level Political Forum 2025 website, [High-Level Political Forum 2025](#).