



## Effectively Engaging in the 2019 United Nations Environment Assembly

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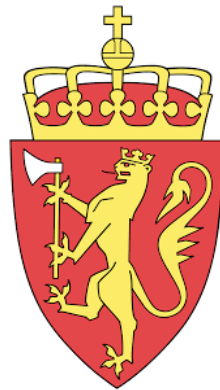
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# Thank you !

## Partners who have supported the participation of Civil society at the fourth Session of UNEA

1. Estonia
2. Germany
3. Finland
4. ANAW
5. PACJA
6. Norway



# The Assembly and Related Events

- Open Ended CPR (March 4 -8)
- Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum (March 7 - 8)
- Science-Policy-Business Forum (March 9 - 10)
- UNEA (March 11 - 15)
- Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue (March 14)
- Green Tent (March 11 – 15)
- Sustainable Innovation Expo (11 - 15)
- Faith and Earth Meetings (March 11 – 15)
- SDG Innovation Talks (March 11 – 15)
- Marine Litter Partnership (March 11 – 15)
- One Planet Summit (March 14)
- Cities Summit (March 13 )



# Open Ended Meeting of the CPR and Assembly

- Access for accredited organisations ( yellow badge) to all public and official meetings
- Opportunities for intervention at the discretion of Chair in WGs
- Seats for 9 Major Groups (1+1) and Regional Facilitators (1+1)
- Coordination of seating arrangements and interventions by Major Groups Facilitating Committee ( decided during morning meetings tent)
- Access to all in-session documents, decisions, meeting online portal (UNEA paper smart system)
- Oral statements and written inputs: inform the Secretariat <https>
- Limited time for interventions, prepare consolidated, short and joint statements if possible



United Nations Environment Assembly: “Innovative solutions for environmental challenges and sustainable consumption and production”.



# Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum

- Main organizing partner: Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA)
- Open for accredited and non-accredited organisations
- Members States and UN staff may participate as observers
- Preparatory Meeting for UNEA
  - Capacity building
  - Development of joint positions
  - Drafting of statements
  - Review of resolutions
  - Exchange with member states
- Agenda available here: <https://goo.gl/LEcjo2>
- Download UNEA App on your smartphone:  
UNEP Events



**Events and programmes around UNEA and associated events:**

**<http://web.unep.org/environmentassembly/>**

**<http://web.unep.org/environmentassembly/high-level-segment-events>**

**APP – UNEP App – download on your phone**



- Plenary- opening ( Monday 10am-1pm)
- Committee of the Whole (COW)- ( starts Monday afternoon, Tuesday, Wednesday morning) national statements and speaking slots for MGS
- High Level Segment (Thursday)-
- Dedicated seats for all 9 major groups in the room
- Access restricted to **accredited organisations only**
- Speaking options for civil society are limited in the High level Segment
- Morning briefings in tent decide on which statements by CSOs will be read out (MGFC).
- Statements and messages will be uploaded on the website

# Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue

- “Innovative Solutions for Sustainable Consumption”
- 5.30 to 7 pm, 14 March 2019, during high level segment
- How public policy could enable innovative solutions and products can be designed, produced and offered to achieve more sustainable lifestyles and consumption patterns
- 6-7 flash presentations:
  - A general background on sustainable consumption and sustainable living
  - Success stories from developed and developing countries, from the private and public sectors.
  - How public policies can contribute to enabling conditions for sustainable consumption
  - Push factors (i.e. regulatory requirements for businesses or incentives for consumers and businesses) and pull factors (i.e. change in culture and consumer demands) to achieve sustainable consumption
- Discussants/Respondents from Governments and Major Groups

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# Green Tent

- Managed by Major Groups Facilitating Committee/Mohamed Abdelraouf
- For meetings (morning meeting), capacity building, events, presentations
- Full schedule is available online.
- Morning briefings in the tent at 8am provide coordination time for statements and other engagement.



# THE GREEN TENT

AN OPEN SPACE FOR MAJOR GROUPS AND STAKEHOLDERS & SIDE EVENTS


11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019

UN Complex: Behind the banks and clinic off lower concourse



# Side Events


- 14 Approved Official Side Events
- During Lunch Break and Early Evening
- <https://goo.gl/YyXLW6>
- Link to Programme and Description of Events
- <https://goo.gl/zCMcJn>



UN environment assembly

#SolveDifferent

The Fourth United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme



Dear Friends,

I am excited to invite you to Nairobi, Kenya, for the fourth UN Environment Assembly in a few short months. As the world's highest-level decision-making body on the environment, the Environment Assembly brings together governments, entrepreneurs, activists and others to share ideas and commit to action. The 2019 Assembly will take place from 11 to 15 March 2019.

Global gross domestic product has doubled since 1970, enabling immense progress, and lifting billions of people out of poverty. At the same time, this economic growth has been fueled by a relentless demand for resources. At no point in time nor at any level of income, has our demand for the planet's resources wavered. Our take-make-dispose models of production and consumption have had devastating impacts on our planet.

The 2019 UN Environment Assembly focuses on the role of innovation in changing the choices we make and how we consume and produce. Our aim is to provide global leadership and catalyze intergovernmental action necessary for us to live sustainably.

# UN Science-Policy-Business Forum on the Environment

- 8 to 10 March 2019, Conference Room 2
- **Target groups** : Science, Policy, Business sectors as well as civil society (Registration open for everybody)
- **Theme:** *“Innovative solutions for environmental challenges and sustainable consumption and production.”* The Forum will also address the following topics:

Science for Decision-Making: Shaping Policies and Market Response

Laying the Foundations for a Global Platform for Big Data on the Environment using Frontier Technologies

Redesigning Metropolis: Smarter, Greener Solutions for Cities

Green Technology Startup Hub

The Climate Challenge and Non-State Actors: From Transparency to Leadership

Sustainable Food for a Healthy Planet



# Sustainable Innovation Expo

- Open to accredited and non-accredited organizations
- Date and Location: 11-15 March (with opening reception on 10 March evening), UN compound Gigiri near the fountain areas
- Target group: focus on private sector
- The SIE will be held under the theme of “eco-innovation and sustainable financing”. It will be composed of an (i) exhibition space where companies will showcase their innovations addressing environmental challenges (ii) 9 panel discussions (iii) pop up chats that participants can organize on relevant issues and (iv) a networking space



# Global Partnership on Marine Litter Tent

- The GPML Tent will be the hub for all things related to marine litter at UNEA-4
- Over 30 sessions will be hosted in the tent, including:
  - Panel discussions on subjects such as legislation to combat marine litter
  - Informative sessions on subjects such as environmental justice in relation to marine litter
  - Technical consultations with experts on marine litter monitoring techniques and methodologies
  - Networking events over coffee or drinks
  - Private events, as requested
- All organizations at UNEA are invited to visit the Global Partnership on Marine Litter Tent
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# Faith for Earth

- Open for accredited and non-accredited organizations
- March 11 – 15, 08:00 – 13:00, Faith Tent
- Share faith-based experiences on how the environment is an integral part of different faiths and how issues ranging from climate change to sustainable lifestyles impact us all.
- Inspiring and interactive
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# SDG Innovation Talks

- Open for accredited and non-accredited organizations
- March 11 to 15, 13:00 to 17:00, Faith Tent (exact hours to be confirmed)
- Talks will feature high-energy speakers on innovative solutions to achieve the 17 Sustainable Development Goals
- Fun and engaging;
- Opportunities for question/dialogue with speakers



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# One Planet Summit

- By invitation only
- Date and Location: 14 March, 9am-5pm
- Target group: high-level government, civil society, private sector
- Co-organized by France, Kenya and the World Bank
- Showcase concrete achievements and breakthrough initiatives and trigger new coalitions and commitments
- Promoting renewable energy and fostering resilience, adaptation and biodiversity.
- “Business and partnership”
- “Sectoral deep dives”
- More information: <https://www.oneplanetsummit.fr/en>



THE WORLD BANK



# Cities Summit: 'Innovation for Livable and Sustainable Cities: Multi-Level and Integrated Urban Systems'.

- Open to accredited and non-accredited organizations
- 13 March 2019, ICRAF Building
- Target groups: National and sub-national government representatives, private sector and civil society
- Interactive dialogue, introduced by short inputs
- Global Trends and Opportunities, Integration of policies and planning across levels of governance and across key sectors such as buildings, energy, transport, waste and water, Technology Futures, Finance Readiness as well as the role of communities.

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# Meeting of Global Pact for the Environment

- 18 – 20 March 2019, UN Compound Nairobi (CR2), after UNEA and not part of UNEA!
- Participation open to ECOSOC-accredited NGOs and NGOs that have participated in major UN Conferences(
  - 1. The United Nations Conference on Environment and Development,
  - 2. The World Summit on Sustainable Development,
  - 3. The United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, and
  - 4. The United Nations summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda)
- (UNEP accreditation alone is not enough)
- Second substantive session of the ad hoc open ended working group
- Objective:
  - to discuss possible options to address possible gaps in international environmental law, where appropriate

Registration: <https://reg.unog.ch/event/28713>

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# #SolveDifferent

- Global campaign to #SolveDifferent
- Focus on an informative and emotive approach to communicating the environmental cost of key consumption and production models.
- <https://www.solvedifferent.eco/get-involved/toolkits>



# Resources

- UN Environment Website: <https://www.unenvironment.org/>
- Documents, agendas, draft resolutions: <https://www.unenvironment.org/cpr>
- UNEA Website: [web.unep.org/environmentassembly/](http://web.unep.org/environmentassembly/)
- Resources for Major Groups: <https://www.unenvironment.org/civil-society-engagement>
- Upcoming Major Group Meetings: <https://www.unenvironment.org/civil-society-engagement/meetings>
- UNEA IV Registration: <https://reg.unog.ch/event/26962/>
- Stakeholder Engagement Handbook: <https://goo.gl/ECBMs2>

# Thank you



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