

Committee of Permanent Representatives
Bureau Meeting
Tuesday 23 April, 3.00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Governance Affairs Office meeting room
NOF Block 1 Level 1 South Wing
United Nations Office at Nairobi, Gigiri

Agenda Item 2: Background note for the initial results of the online survey of fourth session of UN Environment Assembly.

1. Short summary of the fourth session of the un environment assembly

Theme: “Innovative Solutions for Environmental Challenges and Sustainable Consumption and Production”

Main political outcomes:

- [Ministerial Declaration adopted](#)
- [23 resolutions adopted](#)
- [3 decisions adopted](#)
- [Programme of Work and Budget adopted](#)
- [Implementation plan “Towards a Pollution-Free Planet” endorsed](#)
- [The 6th Global Environment Outlook GEO-6 endorsed](#)
- [Contribution to the High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development agreed](#)

Participation:

- 179 Member States and observer states were represented, of which 132 at ministerial level (114 Ministers and 18 Deputy Ministers)
- 4,918 participants in total (44% Female, 56% Male)
- 1713 Member States delegates
- 120 IGO representatives (94 MEA and UNEP Entities)
- 917 NGO representatives
- 499 Private Sector/Trusts/Foundations representatives
- 85 independent experts
- 498 invited guests and speakers

New Bureau

President: Mr. Ola Elvestuen, Minister of Climate and Environment of Norway.

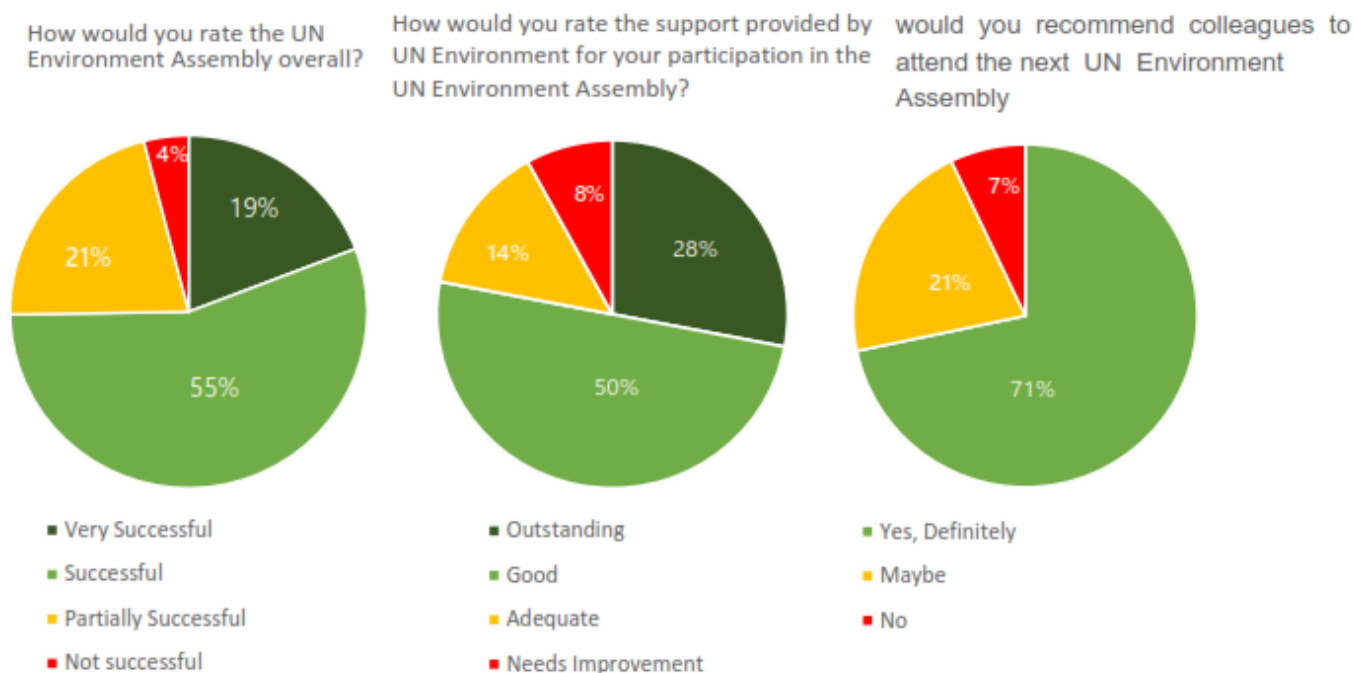
Vice Chairs: Costa Rica, Serbia, France, Bahrain, Suriname, Indonesia, Estonia, Burkina Faso.

Rapporteur: South Africa.

2. Results from evaluation surveys

Three online surveys for UNEA 4 participants were undertaken; one for all delegates, one for the civil society representatives, and one for private sectors participants.

With regards to the general perceptions of delegates these are summarized as follows:



Overall respondents from Civil Society were satisfied regarding their overall experience at UNEA as well as the organization and the assistance received by the Secretariat, however mentioned some areas for improvement. A major issue of concern of civil society actors was that there needs to be greater opportunities to engage in the Assembly in a meaningful way without relegations to final speaking slots, where time and constructive dialogue or mere observation in contact groups or working groups is limited.

Civil Society also expressed their interest to be understood by the Secretariat and the Member States as important policy and implementation partners.

The 2019 Sustainable Innovation Expo (SIE) and the Science Policy Business Forum supported the Fourth UN Environment Assembly (UNEA-4). Over 500 private sector participants, including major players were convened during UNEA-4. The main perceptions captured in the surveys indicate that:

- 80% said they met with potential partners during the Sustainable Innovation Expo
- 80% responded that they had the opportunity to connect with other private sector groups and governmental bodies
- 95% of exhibitors who responded were overall very satisfied with the participation in Expo and Forum

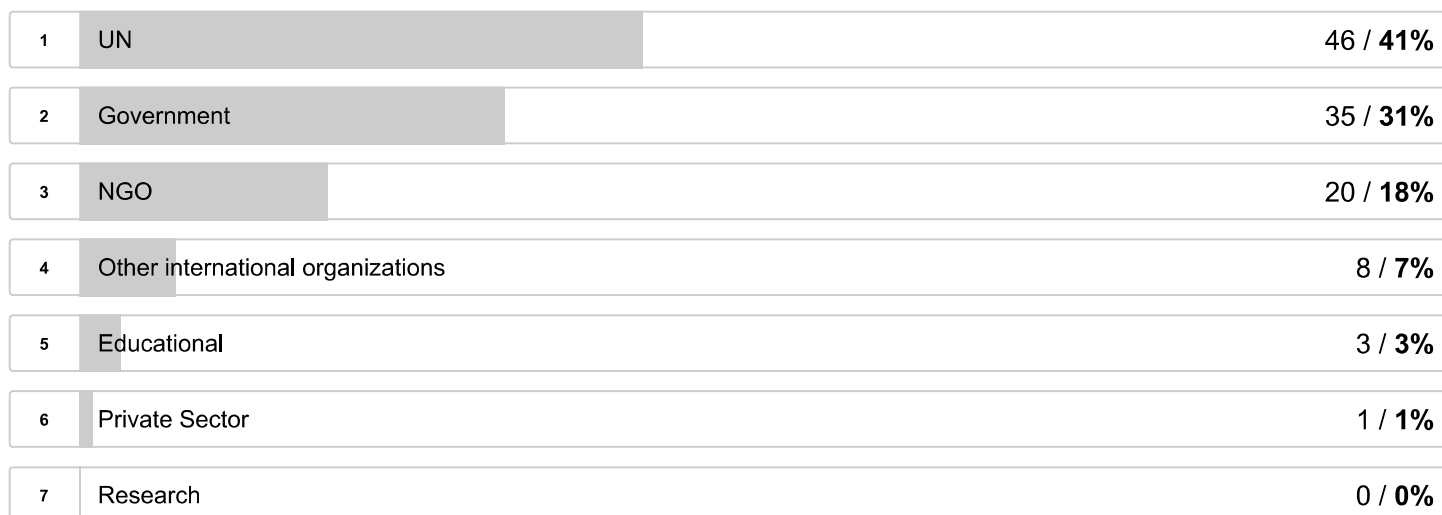
Additional information from the general survey is available in the attached annex.

Annexes

Annex 1 - Results from the general survey for participants to UNEA 4.

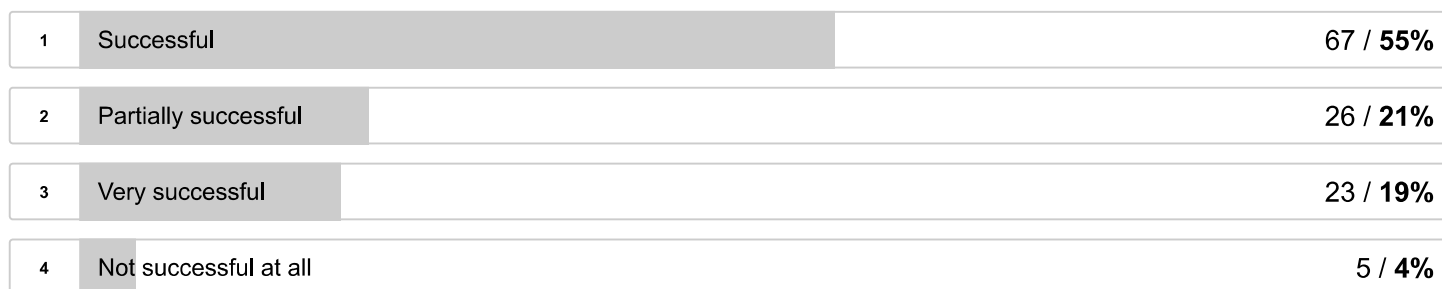
What type organization are you affiliated with?

113 out of 122 people answered this question



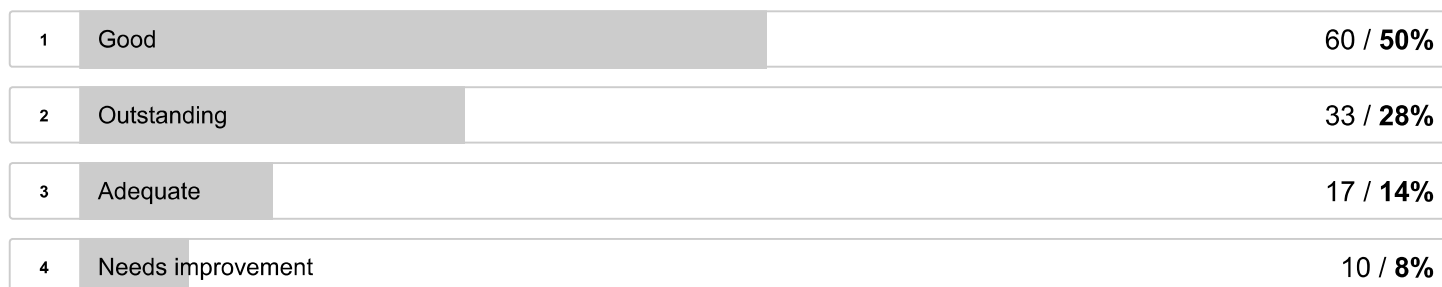
How would you rate the UN Environment Assembly overall ?

121 out of 122 people answered this question



How would you rate the support provided by UN Environment for your participation in the UN Environment Assembly?

120 out of 122 people answered this question



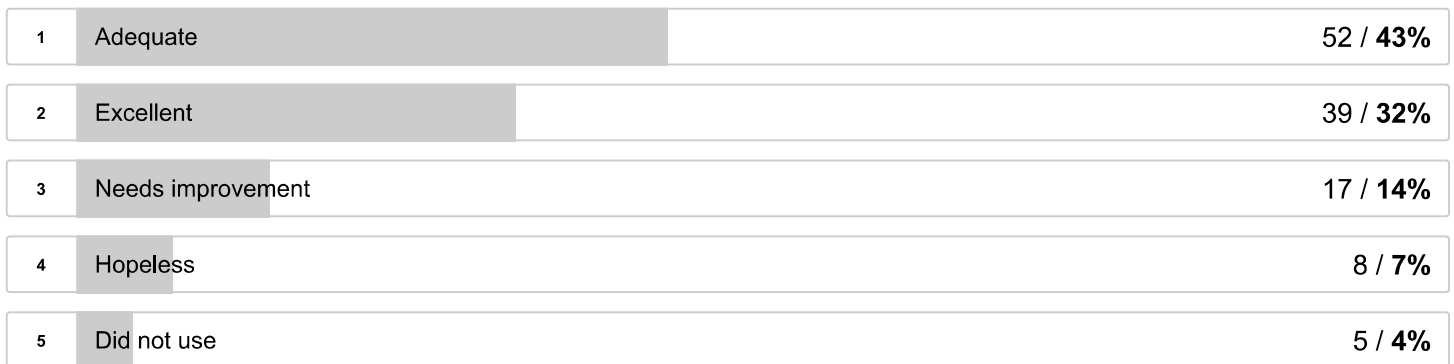
How would you rate the access to official documents?

120 out of 122 people answered this question



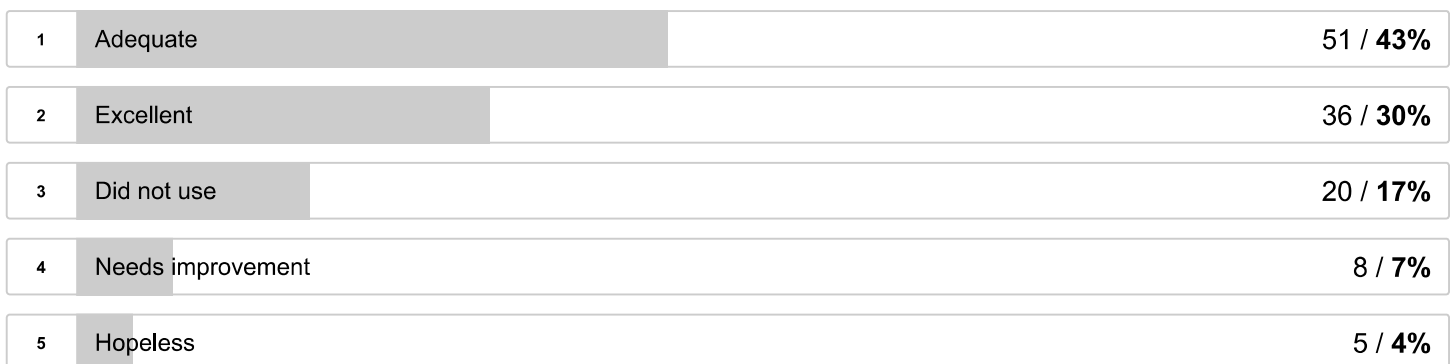
How would you rate the effectiveness of the UN Environment Assembly website?

121 out of 122 people answered this question



How would you rate the effectiveness of the Event App?

120 out of 122 people answered this question



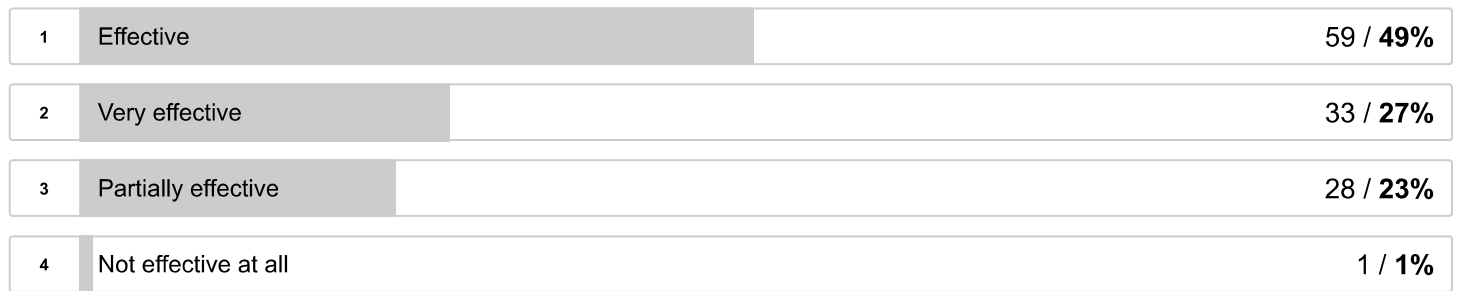
Would you recommend colleagues attend the next UN Environment Assembly?

121 out of 122 people answered this question



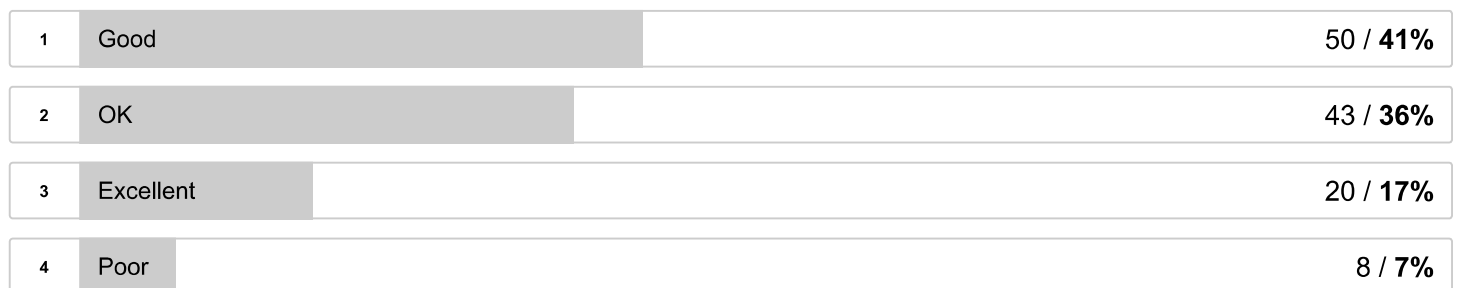
How effective was UN Environment Assembly in informing you about key environmental issues?

121 out of 122 people answered this question



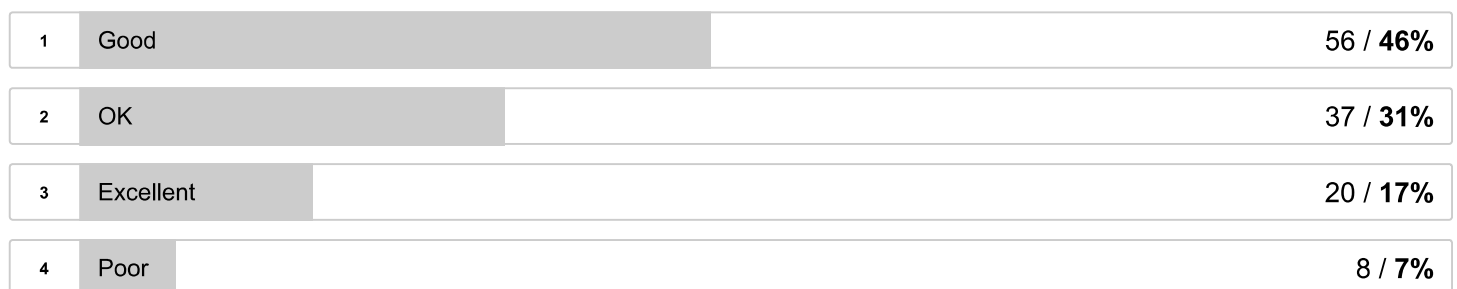
How would you rate the effectiveness of ensuring that UN Environment's reports reach important stakeholders?

121 out of 122 people answered this question



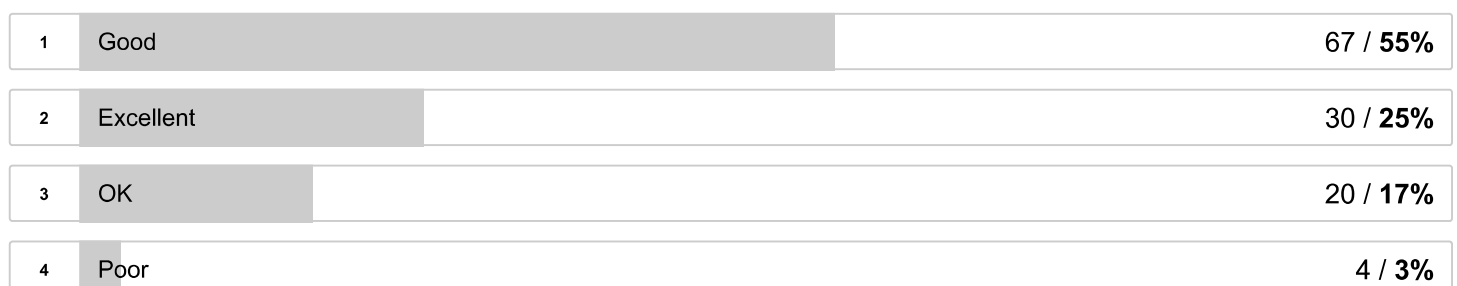
How well does UN Environment communicate its science and policy analysis?

121 out of 122 people answered this question



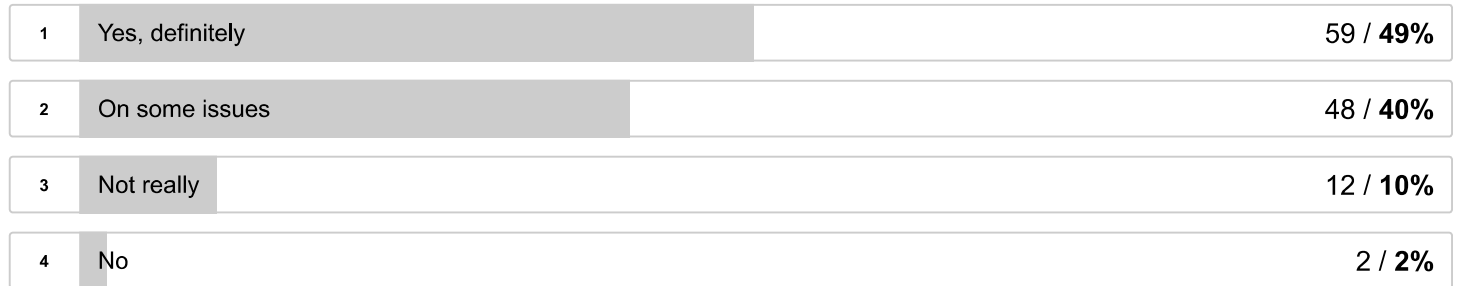
How would you rate the quality of UN Environment's science and policy analysis?

121 out of 122 people answered this question



Do you perceive UN Environment as the lead global voice on the environment ?

121 out of 122 people answered this question



What was the most valuable aspect of your attendance at UN Environment Assembly?

121 out of 122 people answered this question

