



Conference Facilities Capital Project

Briefing for UNEP Committee of Permanent Representatives Members



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Conference Facilities Capital Project -- Presentation Outline

- UN Site – Historic Development
- Reiteration and Reinforcement of Business Requirements
- Existing Conditions
- Design – Site Plan, Aerial Perspective, Objectives
- Project Governance
- Schedule



UNON Site – Historic Development



Overview: 140 Acres / 56 hectares

RED: Old Office Blocks A-J (1975)

ORANGE: Conference Centre and Office Blocks M-X (1985)

YELLOW: Office Blocks V-X (1992)

GOLD: New Office Facility (2010)

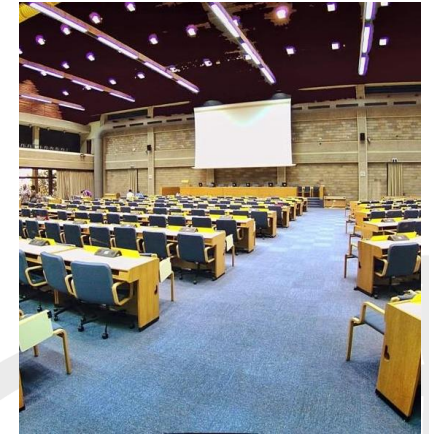
UNON Site – Historic Development



Aerial view of UN campus from Northwest, circa 1985

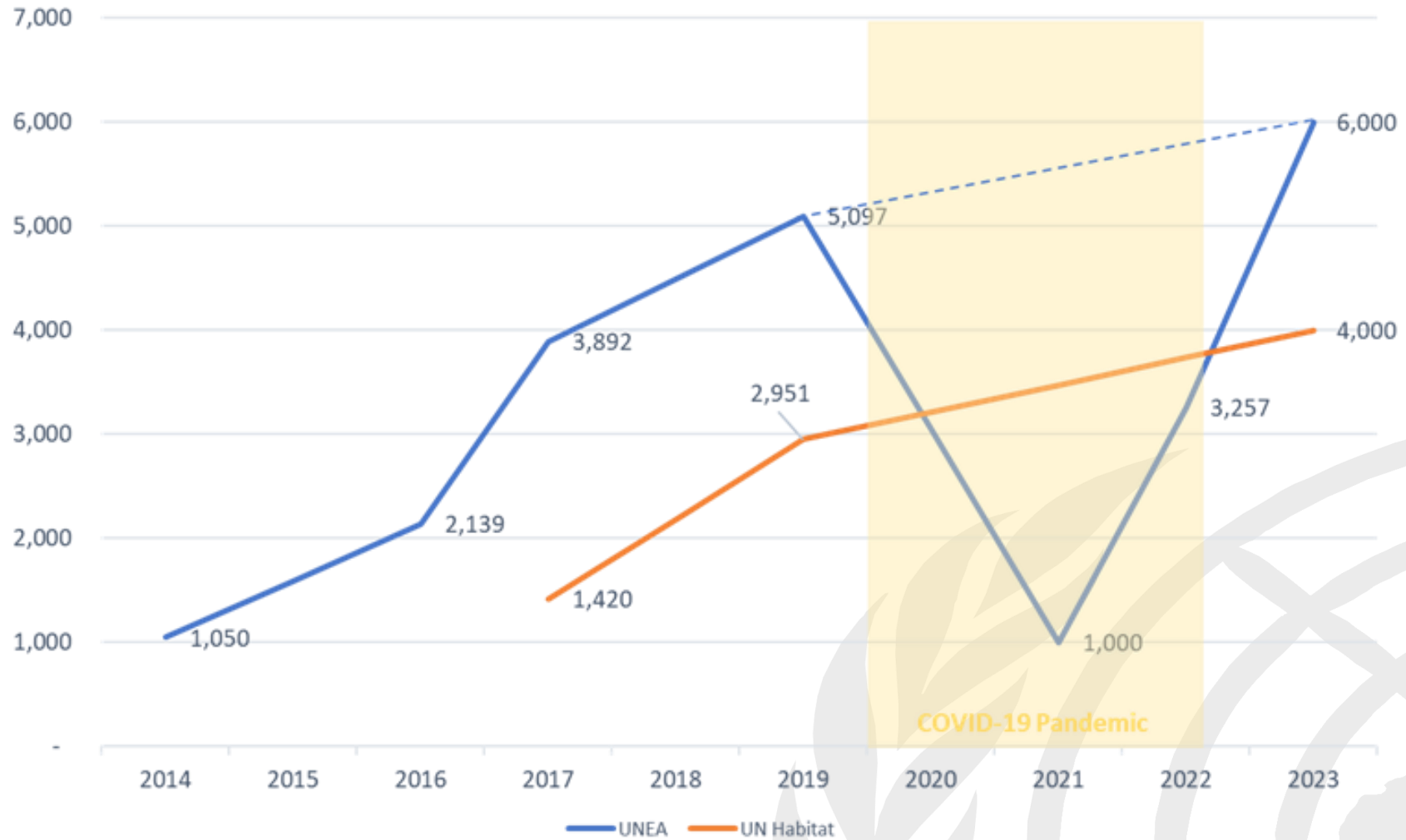


Existing Conditions



Business Requirements

In-person participant trends at recent UNEA and UN-Habitat meetings

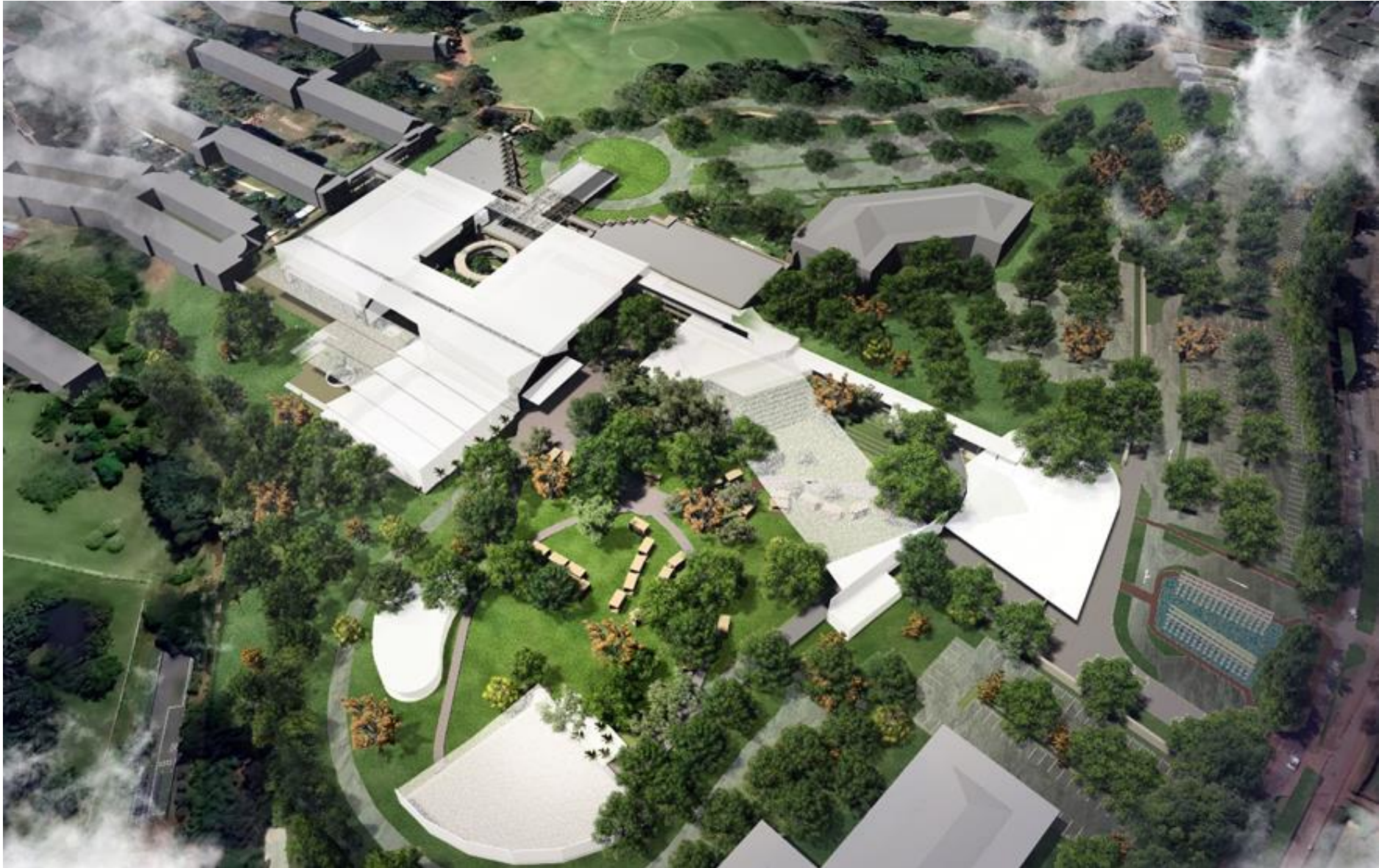


Future Site Plan – by 2029

Following the construction of new offices block and conference facility

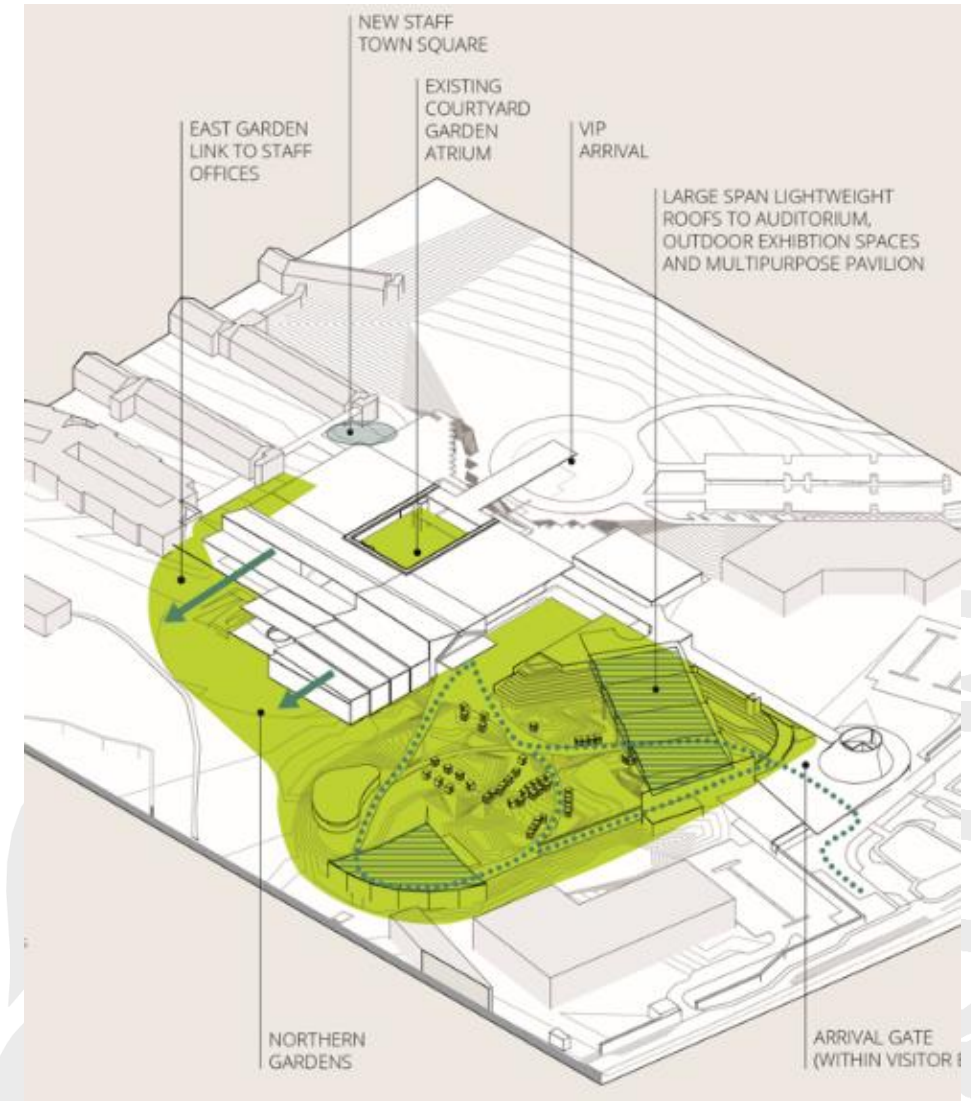


Aerial Perspective – Option B



Sustainability Initiatives

- Target net zero energy consumption
- Achieve highest possible green building rating (e.g. LEED, BREEAM, CASPEE, Green Star)
- Maximize natural/passive air ventilation
- Vastly improve indoor air quality
- Increase access to views and natural light
- Minimize energy consumption through building management controls, and low energy lighting and systems
- Design emphasis on connection to natural environment
- Rainwater and graywater harvesting; reduction of freshwater consumption through low-flow fixtures
- Use of local materials and construction methods

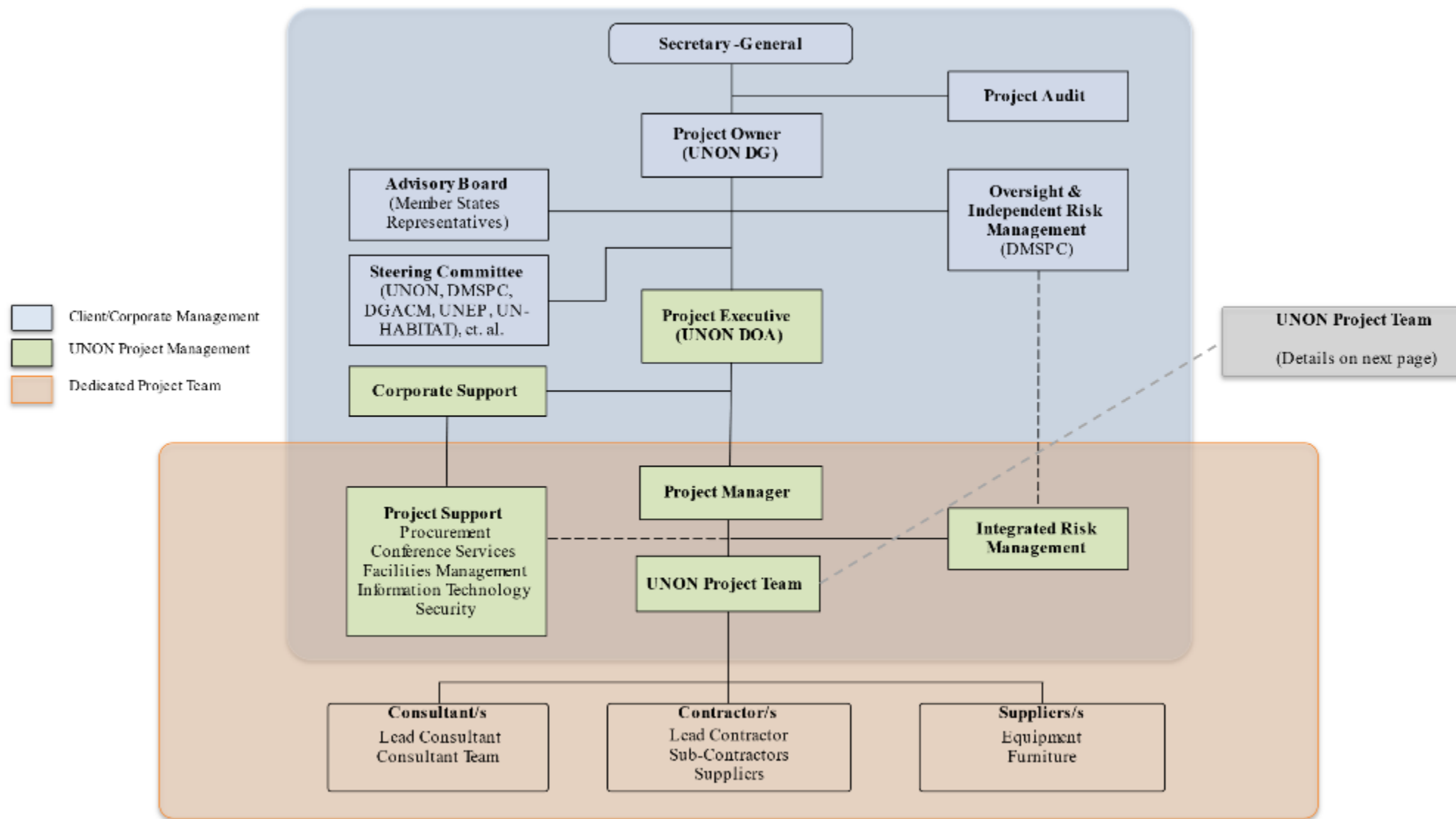


Accessibility Initiatives

- Project design will employ Universal Design Principles
- Reference principles established in the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities 2007 (CRPD), and the UN Disability Inclusion Strategy 2020 (UNDIS)
- Pedestrian access – footpaths, vehicle set-down areas, crosswalks, etc.
- Vertical transportation – Elevators, ramps
- Wayfinding and signage – Ensure access for sight and cognitively impaired
- Conference Technology – Ensure full functionality for sight and hearing impaired



Project Governance – Corporate



Project Governance – Advisory Board

Mandate:

To provide the UNON Director-General, in her role as project owner, with advice and guidance on the management of the project from the perspective of Member States.

Composition:

- H.E. Mr. Valentin Zellweger, Ambassador, Embassy of Switzerland (Chairperson)
- H.E. Mr. Dampsey B. Asare, High Commissioner of Ghana
- H.E. Mr. Peter Maddens, Ambassador, Embassy of Belgium
- H.E. Mrs. Gabriela Martinic, Ambassador, Embassy of Argentina
- Mr. Danny Rahdiansyah, Deputy Permanent Representative, Embassy of Indonesia
- H.E. Ms. Rose Makena Muchiri, Ambassador, Government of Kenya (Ex-officio)

Meeting Periodicity:

Bi-Annually

(Or more, if specific need arises)



Project Schedule

<i>Phase / Year</i>		2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Phase I -- Early Works & New Construction	Duration								
Design and Documentation	18 Months	█							
RIBA Stage 1 -- Preparation and Briefing	3 Months	█							
RIBA Stage 2 -- Concept Design	3 Months		█						
RIBA Stage 3 -- Spatial Coordination	6 Months		█						
RIBA Stage 4 -- Technical Design	6 Months			█					
Construction	30 Months			█					
RIBA Stage 5 -- Construction, Early Works	12 Months			█					
RIBA Stage 5 -- Construction, Main Works	18 Months				█				
RIBA Stages 6 & 7 -- Handover and In Use	12 Months					█			
Phase II -- Renovation Works									
Design and Documentation	18 Months		█						
RIBA Stage 1 -- Preparation and Briefing	3 Months		█						
RIBA Stage 2 -- Concept Design	3 Months			█					
RIBA Stage 3 -- Spatial Coordination	6 Months			█					
RIBA Stage 4 -- Technical Design	6 Months				█				
RIBA Stage 5 -- Construction	21 Months					█			
Phase III -- Linkages									
RIBA Stage 5 -- Construction	6 months							█	
RIBA Stages 6 & 7 -- Handover and In Use	12 Months								█



Schedule – 2023 outlook

Date	Item
9 January	Expression of interest for Design Services contract closed
16-26 January	Briefings for Host Country Officials, Nairobi-Based Regional Chairs, and Diplomatic Corps
6 February	Advisory Board nominations submitted to DG, UNON by Regional Chairs
10-11 February	5th Committee Visit to UNON
8-16 March	Lessons Learned mission to Brussels and Geneva
28 April	RFP for Design Services contract closed
21 June	First Advisory Board meeting held
September	Design contract awarded, design phase begins
	SG issues 5 th Progress Report to the 78 th Session of the General Assembly
October	Informal Briefing by the DG to the 5 th Committee, New York
	Lessons Learned mission to Washington, D.C.

