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March 2024		
5-7 March- Arab Forum for Environment 2024		20 March – Nowruz
11 March - MGFC Monthly Meeting		22 March - Special meeting of the Council on International Cooperation in Tax Matters 2024 (New York) 29 March – Good Friday (UN Holiday)
April 2024		

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<p>8 April - MGFC Monthly Meeting</p>	<p>Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Updates on OEWG 3 on SPP - Proposed Webinar ‘The Role of Major Groups and Civil Society Scientists in the Science-Policy Panel for Chemicals, Waste and Pollution Prevention.’ 21st of May 2024. - Civil Society conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who of the MGFC has registered? • Who has submitted a workshop proposal? Are you still looking for partners? • Where any other proposals submitted (ex: impact coalitions) • potential webinar in preparation for the CSC and the Summit of the Future - Group of Friends <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminder: please send us your nominated representatives until the 10th of April • Please find the revised concept note here • Please find the draft Agenda for the first meeting here - UNEA-6 implementation, ideas and activities from Major Groups - Follow up on meeting with ECOSOC and UNGA that happened during UNEA 6 - Updates on Major Groups Guidelines - AOB 	<p>1 April – Easter Monday (UN Holiday) 9 April - ECOSOC Management meetings 2024 (New York)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">10 April - Eid al-Fitr (UN Holiday)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">16-18 April - ECOSOC Youth Forum 2024 (New York)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">19-21 April - 2024 World Bank Group/International Monetary Fund Spring Meetings (Washington D.C.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">22-24 April - Escazú Agreement COP 3 (Santiago, Chile)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">22-25 April - ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development Follow-up (FfD Forum) 2024 (New York)</p>
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May 2024		
3 May – 1 st meeting of Group of Friends	Agenda - Welcome and introduction - Appointment of 2 co-chairs (one from civil society and one from a Member State) - Presentation of a draft concept note - Upcoming UN Civil Society Conference in Nairobi - Lessons learned from UNEA-6 - Next steps - AOB	
6 May - MGFC Monthly Meeting	Agenda - UN Civil Society Conference - Group of Friends - Outcomes of INC 4 - Preparations for the OEWG3 SPP - AOB	

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<p>9-10 May – UN Civil Society Conference Additional information here</p>	<p>Agenda Available here</p>	

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<p>MGFC ELECTIONS</p> <p>16 May – 6 August – Grulac Elections</p> <p>20 May – Business and Industry Major Group Election</p>	<p>16 May – 16 June – Portal opened for nomination of candidates</p> <p>20 May – Call for nomination</p>	<p>1 May - Labor Day (UN holiday)</p> <p>3 May – Orthodox Good Friday (floating holiday)</p> <p>6-8 May - First session of the Executive Board for the year 2024, UN-Habitat</p> <p>6-10 May - 19th session of the UN Forum on Forests (UNFF 19) (New York)</p> <p>9-10 May - UN Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the SDGs (STI Forum) 2024 (New York)</p> <p>13-17 May - SBSTTA 26</p> <p>14-16 May - ECOSOC Operational Activities for Development Segment 2024 (New York)</p> <p>18-24 May - 10th World Water Forum (Bali, Indonesia)</p> <p>23 May – Day of Vesak (floating holiday)</p>
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		<p>20-29 May – Fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation of the CBD (TBA)</p> <p>31 May – Madaraka Day (in lieu of Saturday, 1 June) (UN holiday)</p>
June 2024		
<p>3 June - MGFC Monthly Meeting</p>	<p>Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -New Guidelines approved. - Task force (reports template guideline 5). - ASC meeting July. - Task force (Committee for zero harassment) - Next elections processes (LAC) - UN CSC Update and preparation for Summit of the future - Group of Friends - AOB 	

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<p>17 – 21 June – Third meeting of the OEWG on a Science-Policy Panel to contribute Additional to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution Geneva, Switzerland</p>	<p>Tentative agenda - Available here</p>	<p>3-13 June – 60th Sessions of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies (Bonn, Germany)</p> <p>5- 6 June – June 2024 ECOSOC Management Segment (New York)</p> <p>June – Eid al-Adha (in lieu of Sunday, 16 June) (UN holiday)</p> <p>17-19 June – G7 Summit 2024 (Putignano, Italy)</p> <p>June – ECOSOC Meeting on the Transition from Relief to Development 2024 (New York)</p> <p>19-21 June – ECOSOC Humanitarian Affairs Segment 2024 (New York)</p>
<p>MGFC ELECTIONS</p> <p>20 May – 30 July - Business and Industry Major Group Election</p> <p>16 May – 6 August – Grulac Election</p> <p>TBC – North America Election</p>	<p>13 June – Nomination Deadline</p> <p>17 June – Online meeting to introduce the nominated members</p> <p>18 June – 18 July – Elections opened</p> <p>16 June - nomination deadline</p> <p>28 June – Deadline for filing any complaints</p>	
<p>July 2024</p>		
<p>1 July - MGFC Monthly Meeting</p>	<p>Agenda TBC</p>	

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2 July - Group of Friends Meeting	Agenda TBC	
MGFC ELECTIONS 20 May – 30 July – Business and Industry Major Group Election	18 July – Election deadline 19 July – Announcement of the election outcome 26 July – Deadline for submission of any complaints 30 July – Announcement of the elected co-chairs	
16 May – 6 August – Grulac Election	28 July – Elections deadline 29 July – Announcement of election outcome	
TBC – Indigenous Peoples Major Group Elections		

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<p>8 – 12 July – 11th CPR Annual Subcommittee Meeting, Hybrid <i>Additional information here</i></p>	<p>Tentative agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First consultation on the options for the UNEA-7 theme. - Review of the UNEP Programme Performance Report for the years 2022-2023 – Other items TBC 	<p>7 – 12 July – The forty-sixth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (OEWG46) and the seventy-second meeting of the Implementation Committee under the NonCompliance Procedure for the Montreal Protocol (ImpCom72), Montréal, Canada</p> <p>8-18 July – High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) 2024 (New York)</p> <p>12-14 July – G20 Brazil Summit 2024 (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)</p> <p>15-18 July – ECOSOC High-level Segment 2024 (New York)</p> <p>21-26 July – 16th meeting of the International Conference on Mercury as a Global Pollutant (ICMGP) (Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa)</p> <p>22-26 July – 27th Session of the FAO Committee on Forestry (COFO 27) (Rome, Italy)</p> <p>23-24 July – July 2024 ECOSOC Management Segment (New York)</p> <p>25 July – ECOSOC Organizational Session for 2024-2025 (New York)</p>
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August 2024		
5 August - MGFC Monthly Meeting	Agenda TBC	11 – 15 August – IWA World Water Congress and Exhibition 2024 (Toronto, Canada) 12-16 August – Second Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Benefit-sharing from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources (TBA) 17-24 August – Nairobi Convention COP 11 (Madagascar) 25-29 August – World Water Week 2024 (Stockholm, Sweden)
MGFC ELECTIONS 16 May – 6 August – Grulac Election	5 August – Deadline for submission of any complaints 6 August - Announcement of the elected co-chairs	
September 2024		
2 September - MGFC Monthly Meeting	Agenda TBC	12 – 13 September – One Planet Network Forum, Rio, Brazil 22-23 September – Summit of the Future (New York)
African MGS Meeting 10 th AMCEN Special Session	Agenda TBC	
30 September – 2 October - African MGS Meeting at 8 th African Animal Welfare Conference	Agenda TBC	

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October 2024		
30 September – 2 October - African MGS Meeting at 8 th African Animal Welfare Conference		

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<p>7 October - MGFC Monthly Meeting</p>	<p>Agenda TBC</p>	<p>11 October – Yom Kippur (in lieu of Saturday, 12 October) (floating holiday)</p> <p>16-18 October - Fifth meeting of the CBD Subsidiary Body on Implementation (TBA)</p> <p>October – Mashujaa Day (in lieu of Sunday, 20 October) (floating holiday)</p> <p>21 October – 1 November CBD COP16</p> <p>21-25 October - Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) 2024 (Apia, Tuamasaga, Samoa)</p> <p>25-27 October - 2024 World Bank Group/International Monetary Fund Annual Meetings (Washington D.C.)</p> <p>28 October – 1 November – 36th Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (MOP 36) Bangkok, Thailand</p> <p>31 October – Diwali (floating holiday)</p>
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November 2024		
4 November - MGFC Monthly Meeting	Agenda TBC	<p>4-8 November - Twelfth Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF12) (Cairo, Egypt)</p> <p>11-24 November - 2024 UN Climate Change Conference (UNFCCC COP 29) (TBA)</p> <p>15 November – Gurburab (floating holiday)</p> <p>18-19 November - G20 Summit 2024 (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)</p> <p>18-21 November - Fifth UN World Data Forum 2024 (Medellin, Colombia)</p>
<p>25th November – 1 December - Fifth Session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC-5)</p> <p><i>Additional information here</i></p>		
December 2024		

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<p>2 December - MGFC Monthly Meeting</p>	<p>Agenda</p> <p>TBC</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2-13 December - UNCCD COP 16 (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">4-6 December 2024 Second session of the Executive Board for the year 2024 9-11 December (TBC) – Open-ended intergovernmental expert working group on Housing (Res2/7)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">10-16 December - 11th Session of the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES 11) (Windhoek, Namibia)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">12 December - Jamhuri day (UN Holiday)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">25 December – Christmas day (UN Holiday)</p>