

# Briefing to the CPR Subcommittee Update on the 7<sup>th</sup> Global Environment Outlook

GEO Secretariat, Scientific Assessment Branch, Early Warning and Assessment Division

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## **Objective of the Briefing**

#### To Provide an Update on the GEO-7's:

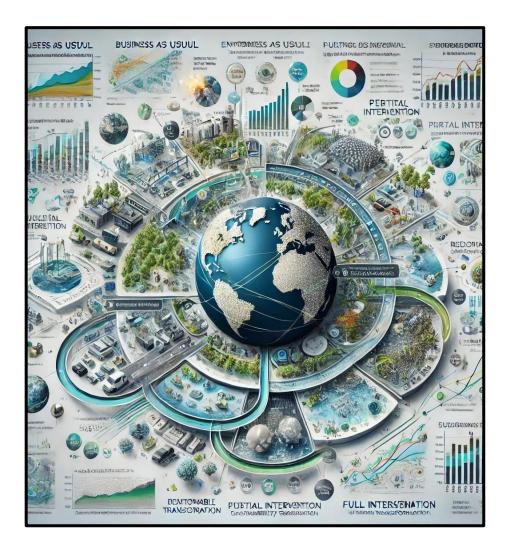
- 1. Production Timeline
- 2. Peer Review Process
- 3. Terminology on Environmental Crises
- 4. Dialogues on Indigenous Knowledge and Local Knowledge (IK&LK)





#### **Quick Recap of GEO-7's Main Characteristics**

- UNEP's single flagship report
- Responds to UNEA Res. 4/23 and 5/3
- Integrated assessment
- Scientifically multidisciplinary
- Interlinkages across crises
- Solutions-focused
- Regionally specific
- Interactive digital tool
- Launch at UNEA-7 in Dec. 2025





\* FOD = First Order Draft; SOD = Second Order Draft

|    | Phase                         | Time Period              | Activity                                                                                       |
|----|-------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. | Reviewing<br>the report       | 1 Nov 2024 – 15 Jan 2025 | Peer review of the main report's SOD and Summary for Policymakers' FOD*                        |
| 2. | Addressing the comments       | ∣16 Jan – 15 Mar 2025    | Comments received from peer reviewers being addressed by authors                               |
| 3. | Assuring the report's quality | 15 Mar – 15 Apr 2025     | Assessment of the quality of responses to the reviewers' comments by review editors            |
| 4. | Final editing of texts        | 15 Apr – 1 Jul 2025      | Authors finalize texts after addressing review editors' suggestions and science editors' edits |
| 5. | Reviewing<br>the SPM          | 15 Aug – 31 Oct 2025     | Review of the SOD of the Summary for Policy-Makers                                             |
| 6. | Negotiation of                | 3 –7 Nov 2025            | Negotiation and approval of the final version of the                                           |
|    | the SPM                       |                          | Summary for Policy-Makers                                                                      |
| 7. | Launch                        | 8-12 Dec 2025            | Launch of GEO-7 and its SPM at UNEA-7                                                          |

#### 2. Peer Review Process: General Aspects

- Review from 1 Nov. 2024 to 15 Jan. 2025
- Review of two GEO-7 documents:
  - Main Report: Second Order Draft (SOD)
  - Summary for Policy-Makers (SPM): First Order Draft (FOD)
- Reviewers can decide to review both documents or only one of them
- Webinars led by the Secretariat to:
  - Explain the review guidelines
  - Demonstrate the online review platform READ





## 2. Peer Review Process: Regional and Gender Balance

2011 (100%)

| Regions                                           | Countries         | Revi | Reviewers |  |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------|-----------|--|
| <ul> <li>Africa</li> </ul>                        | 11                | 534  | (27%)     |  |
| <ul> <li>Asia and the Pacific</li> </ul>          | 11                | 312  | (16%)     |  |
| <ul> <li>Eastern Europe</li> </ul>                | 3                 | 95   | (05%)     |  |
| <ul> <li>Latin America &amp; Caribbean</li> </ul> | 9                 | 702  | (35%)     |  |
| <ul> <li>Western Europe and Other</li> </ul>      | 8                 | 368  | (17%)     |  |
| Gender                                            |                   |      |           |  |
| <ul> <li>Female</li> </ul>                        |                   | 881  | (44%)     |  |
| <ul> <li>Male</li> </ul>                          |                   | 1116 | (55%)     |  |
| <ul> <li>Prefer not to say</li> </ul>             |                   | 14   | (01%)     |  |
| Type of Nomination                                | ype of Nomination |      |           |  |
| <ul> <li>Government-nominated</li> </ul>          |                   | 122  | (06%)     |  |
| Self- nominated                                   |                   | 1889 | (94%)     |  |

42

TOTAL





#### 3. Terminology on the Global Environmental Crises













#### 4. Indigenous Knowledge and Local Knowledge Dialogues

- What? Incorporate Indigenous Knowledge and Local Knowledge (IK&LK) in GEO-7
- Why? To ensure a more complete and holistic understanding of envir. systems
- How? Through dialogues with experts
- Who? Engaging Indigenous peoples and local communities

#### When?

- 1st Dialogue: 25 to 27 March 2024 (virtual)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Dialogue: 11-13 June 2024, Mexico
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Dialogue: 12-16 Jan. 2025, Thailand
- 4<sup>th</sup> Dialogue: Dec. 2025, Kenya



2<sup>nd</sup> Dialogue, Oaxaca, Mexico





# Thank you very much for your attention!

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