UNEP Accreditation

Information Session for West Asia Capacity Building

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Facts

There are currently over **1068 organizations** accredited to UNEP. Increasing each month. They belong to **9 Major Groups**:

- Business and Industry: 7%
- Scientific and Technological Communities: 7%
- Women: 3%
- Children and Youth: 5%
- Workers and Trade Unions: 1%
- Local Authorities: 1%
- Farmers: 1%
- Indigenous Peoples and their Communities: 2%
- Non-Governmental Organization (NGO): 73%
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There are currently over **1068 organizations** accredited to UNEP. Increasing each month. They belong to 6 UNEP regions:

- Africa: 230 (22%)
- Asia and the Pacific: 169 (16%)
- Europe: 342 (32%)
- North America: 235 (22%)
- Latin America and the Caribbean: 55 (5%)
- West Asia: 37 (3%)
Why being a UNEP-accredited organization?

• To bring experiences, solutions, important issues faced by the people to the UN Environment Assembly (UNEA) Member States;
• To influence policy making process;
• To work with the Major Groups in bringing the voices of civil society to policymakers.
Rights of UNEP-accredited organizations

- Receive and provide comments to documents of UNEA and Committee of the Permanent Representatives (CPR);
- Join open meetings of UNEA and CPR as observers and make oral / written contributions.
- More details at the UNEP Stakeholder Engagement Handbook.
Criteria of being a UNEP-accredited organization

• Registered with a Member State of the UNEA/Government for at least 2 years
• Non-governmental
• Not-for-profit making
• Have a major focus on the environment
• Have an international scope
How to send an application?

• Go to https://accreditation.unep.org/Register

• The following documents are needed:
  ➢ Application Letter
  ➢ Registration certificate with the Government
  ➢ Proof of non-profit making status, e.g. tax exemption certificate; Government certificate stating non-profit making status
How to send an application?

➢ Proof of national and international scope of environment activities, in forms of annual reports, publications, news / online articles.

➢ If you are accredited with other UN bodies, e.g. UN ECOSOC, UNCCC, please also attach the certificate(s).
More information about UNEP accreditation

• Visit https://www.unenvironment.org/civil-society-engagement/accreditation

• Or contact us @ Unep-accreditation@un.org