

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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- 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

