Information Note

Expert Group Meeting on Science, Technology, and Innovation for the SDGs
Meeting of the 10-Member Group of High-level Representatives, the IATT and other experts
on high-impact STI4SDG solutions and in preparation for the Multi-Stakeholder Meeting on
Science, Technology, and Innovation for the SDGs and the SDG Summit 2023

11 - 13 January 2023

1. **Access to the United Nations Headquarters:**

Participants are required to enter the Headquarters at the “Visitors’ Entrance” located on 1st
Avenue between 45th and 46th Streets. Participants should plan to arrive 30 to 45 minutes before
the start of the meeting to allow time to pass through security. Grounds passes for the UN
Headquarters will be distributed against the participants list at 8:15 AM – 9:00 AM outside the
Visitors’ Entrance by a UN representative holding a sign with the name of the meeting. All
participants should bring with them a valid passport.

2. **Passport and Visa Requirements:**

Each participant is responsible for providing a valid passport to enter the United States. It is
recommended that participants either contact the nearest United States Embassy or Consulate to
determine whether a visa is required to enter the United States, or visit the US State Department
website at: [http://www.unitedstatesvisas.us/](http://www.unitedstatesvisas.us/). Note that visa application procedures need to be
started well ahead of time. Department of Economic and Social Affairs can provide you an official
invitation letter to support your visa application.

3. **Transportation:**

Subway: Number 4, 5, 6 or 7 trains to Grand Central Station: walk east to 1st Avenue.

Buses: Coming from Lower Manhattan, M15 will stop on 1st Avenue in front of the United Nations.
From Uptown, M15 will run on 2nd Avenue and stop on 46th Street and 42nd. M42 or M104 will
both stop on 42nd and 1st Avenue in both directions.

New York City taxis are available from any destination.

4. **Accommodation:**

All participants are expected to make their own accommodation arrangements. Finding a
reasonably priced hotel in New York City could be a challenge, therefore it is recommended that
you start as early as possible. Please note that hotel reservations generally will only be guaranteed
with a credit card. Below is a list of hotels located within walking distance of the United Nations.
Sometimes, some of these hotels may provide discounted prices for travelers attending UN
meetings. The UN does not endorse any hotel, and the list below is not in any order of preference
but proximity to the UN.
ONE UN New York – Millennium Hotels
1 UN Plaza (First Avenue and 44th St.) +1 212-758-1234

Hampton Inn Manhattan
231 E. 43rd St. (between 2nd and 3rd Ave.) +1 212-897-3385

Pod 51
230 East 51st St. +1 212-355-0300
www.thepodhotel.com

Pod 39
145 East 39th St. +1 212-865-5700
www.thepodhotel.com

Fitzpatrick Grand Central
141 East 44th Street +1 212-351-6800
www.fitzpatrickhotels.com

Club Wyndham Midtown 45
205 East 45th St. +1 212-867-5100

Residence Inn by Marriott
148 East 48th St. (between 3rd and Lexington Ave.) +1 212-980-1003
www.newyorkresidenceinn.com

The Lexington
511 Lexington Ave at 48th St. +1 212-755-4400
www.lexingtonhotelnyc.com

Hotel Boutique at Grand Central
447 Lexington Ave (between 44th & 45th St) +1 212-297-0300
www.hotelboutiqueatgrandcentral.com

Club Quarters Grand Central
128 East 45th St. +1 212-986-6400
www.clubquarters.com

Roger Smith Hotel
501 Lexington Ave. (between 47th and 48th St.) +1 212-755-1400

Hilton Garden Inn
206 East 52nd St. +1 212-794-6000

Courtyard New York (Midtown East)
866 Third Ave. and 52nd St. +1 212-644-1300

You might also want to check the following websites to compare options:
www.areahotelguide.com/new-york-city-hotels.htm
www.hotels.com
www.priceline.com
www.hotwire.com
www.expedia.com
www.booking.com
www.kayak.com
www.tripadvisor.com

5. **Other logistical information:**

   **ATM**
   The United Nations Federal Credit Union (UNFCU) has cash machines (ATMs) inside the United Nations Headquarters.

   **Medical Services**
   Participants are responsible for making their own insurance arrangements, including life, health and other forms deemed appropriate. Make sure that you are covered by your health insurance provider during your stay. The United Nations does not take responsibility for the ill health of any participants during their stay. The United Nations medical service is available during regular working hours from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

   **Dining**
   The United Nations has a Cafe near the meeting room of the Expert Group Meeting. The UN Cafeteria in the UN Secretariat Building provides hot food during lunch time. Restaurants are available within short walking distance of the United Nations Headquarters.

6. **Meeting website:** is available here: https://sdgs.un.org/events/expert-group-meeting-science-technology-and-innovation-sdgs-meeting-iatt-and-10-member-group