

**2024 ECOSOC Partnership Forum**  
**30 January 2024**  
**Trusteeship Chamber Council, UNHQ**

Information Note

The 2024 ECOSOC Partnership Forum will be held on 30 January 2024 under the 2024 HLPF/ECOSOC theme<sup>1</sup>. The Forum will place a special emphasis on the Sustainable Development Goals that will be reviewed at the 2024 HLPF: Goal 1 (No Poverty); Goal 2 (Zero Hunger); Goal 13 (Climate Action); Goal 16 (Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions); and Goal 17 (Partnerships for the Goals). Side events will be held on the margins of the Forum on the same day.

**Concept Note / Programme**

The most up-to-date **concept note**, which contains the **latest programme**, is accessible from [here](#).

**Meeting Website:**

For details about the 2024 ECOSOC Partnership Forum, please visit the website at:

<https://sdgs.un.org/2024ECOSOCPartnershipForum>

**Format**

- The **opening, plenary and closing** sessions, which will be chaired by the President of ECOSOC, will be held in-person in the Trusteeship Council Chamber in the Conference Building, UNHQ in New York and will be broadcast live on [UN web TV](#).

During the plenary session, speakers from Member States, observers, UN entities and stakeholders will alternate taking the floor to outline their priorities and recommendations in support of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as well as their experiences of, and recommendations for effective partnerships.

➤ **Member states, observers and UN entities:**

There will be no pre-established list of speakers for the plenary session (10:30 am – 1:00 pm). In order to request the floor, delegations are requested to press the button on the console. Given the limited time available, interventions in the plenary should be limited to 3 minutes or less. The time limit will be strictly implemented, including through the muting of microphones once the time limit is reached.

Written copies of all statements delivered during the plenary sessions should be sent to [estatements@un.org](mailto:estatements@un.org) at least two hours in advance of delivery. The subject line of the email should clearly identify the date and time of the meeting at which the intervention will be delivered. Interpretation for statements not sent in advance may be impacted or suspended.

➤ **Non-governmental organizations and other non-state stakeholders**

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<sup>1</sup> “Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda and eradicating poverty in times of multiple crises: the effective delivery of sustainable, resilient and innovative solutions”

Time permitting, representatives from non-governmental organizations in consultative status with ECOSOC will be invited to make short interventions (no more than 2 minutes, maximum 300 words) during the plenary session. Considering the limited number of speaking slots, preference will be given to statements that are made on behalf of groups of organizations/constituencies/major groups.

NGOs in consultative status will be able to express their interest in making a statement only through an open call to be circulated by UN DESA in early January 2024. Further information will be posted here: <https://sdgs.un.org/2024ECOSOCPartnershipForum>

- The Forum will also include four **SDG action segments**, each dedicated to one of the Goals slated for review during the High-level Political Forum in 2024, namely Goal 1, Goal 2, Goal 13, and Goal 16. The action segments would focus on scaling up concrete and innovative partnerships that drive SDG implementation while highlighting their crucial role in fostering collaborative, concrete actions. Action segments are organized by partners from within the UN system and other relevant stakeholders.
- **Side Events** will be held in person / and in virtual formats on the margins of the 2024 ECOSOC Partnership Forum from 8:15 am – 9:30 am EDT (virtual only) and 1:15 pm – 2:30 pm EDT (on-site / virtual). Side events are organized by Member States, UN entities and stakeholders. A full list of side events and contact details will be available on the Forum's [website](#).

### **Interpretation**

Interpretation in all six official languages of the United Nations will be available for the opening, plenary and closing sessions. The SDG Action Segments and side events will be held in English only.

### **Documentation**

All documentation is posted on the 2024 ECOSOC Partnership Forum: <https://sdgs.un.org/2024ECOSOCPartnershipForum#documentation>

### **Registration / Access**

Participants with a valid UN Grounds Pass, including members of official **government delegations, UN entities** and **IGOs**, will be able to access UNHQ premises without the need for additional registration.

**Stakeholders** (NGOs and other non-state partners) should register to attend the event in-person. Registration is open until 12 January 2024 [here](#).

Representatives of non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders in consultative status with ECOSOC with valid UN grounds passes can access the Conference Rooms allocated for the ECOSOC partnership Forum up to the capacity of the rooms.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders not in consultative status with ECOSOC or not in possession of a UN Grounds pass must register in order to attend the Forum. Registration is open until 12 January 2024 [here](#). UN DESA will be communicating with approved stakeholder participants on the distribution of Special Events tickets and access to the UNHQ closer to the event.

### **Outcome**

The key messages and recommendations of the 2024 ECOSOC Partnership Forum will be presented to inspire the discussions at the ECOSOC Coordination Segment taking place on the following two days, on

31 January and 1 February. A consolidated analytical summary will be prepared by the Council President, in consultation with the Bureau, to capture the key policy messages of the Forum and those of the Coordination Segment. The summary will serve as input to the July 2024 HLPF, under the auspices of the Council, and the September 2024 Summit of the Future, under the auspices of the General Assembly, as well as the overall work of the ECOSOC and other key intergovernmental processes throughout 2024. The **joint summary** will be available at the 2024 Partnership Forum website [here](#) under “Documentation” tab.

### ***Social media outreach***

Participants are invited to use the resources listed on the website to promote the 2024 ECOSOC Partnership Forum. The hashtag of the event is: **#Partnership4SDGs**. Please join us to keep the conversation going on all our social media platforms:

- Twitter: [@SustDev](#) - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SustDev/>

### ***Accessibility***

Participants are requested to inform the Secretariat, in advance, of their accessibility requirements. For any enquiries regarding available assistive tools, please contact the Accessibility Centre (email: [accessibilitycentre@un.org](mailto:accessibilitycentre@un.org); phone: 212 963 7348/9). More information is available [here](#).

### ***Forum Secretariat / Contacts***

Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG) of Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) functions as the Forum’s Secretariat, in coordination with General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division (GAEAD) of Department of General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), while informal SDG Action Segments are organized by select partners.

### ***Contacts:***

- **Plenary session:** [ecosocplace@un.org](mailto:ecosocplace@un.org)
- **All other queries:** [dsdg@un.org](mailto:dsdg@un.org) (“Partnership Forum” as a subject line).

## ANNEX: Additional Information

### ***Passport and VISA requirements:***

Each participant is personally responsible for obtaining necessary entry visa(s) for travel to and from the meeting venue. Please ensure that the necessary arrangements are made in a timely fashion to obtain a US visa, as appropriate. Information regarding US visa can be found on this website: <http://usembassy.state.gov/>.

### ***Where to Eat:***

Participants can purchase food and beverages at the UN Cafes inside the UNHQ.

#### **Riverview Cafeteria**

Conference Building - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor South  
Mon-Fri 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

#### **Visitors Café**

General Assembly - 1st Basement South  
Sat-Sun 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

#### **Vienna Café**

General Assembly – 1st Basement South  
Sat-Sun 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Alternatively, you may choose to dine at one of the many restaurants located in close proximity to the UN. Should you decide to leave the UN premises, your name-specific special event ticket will enable you to re-enter, but you will need to go through security screening again.

### ***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.

### ***Accessibility:***

The United Nations Headquarters is accessible for disabled visitors and persons with limited mobility.

### ***Other relevant information at UNHQ:***

- **Please bring your own water bottle!** Participants are encouraged to bring their own water bottle and to enjoy the fresh water from the fountains inside the UNHQ.
- No food, drinks or backpacks and bags larger than 14" (35 cm) x 13" (33cm) high x 4" (10 Cm) will not be allowed through UN Security. Please note that there are no storage facilities at UNHQ.

- Cameras and other media equipment are NOT allowed through UN Security unless prior arrangements for approval have been made through session organizers.
- Demonstrations and items such as flags, banners, signs, posters and flyers are prohibited on UN premises.
- Please, be mindful that, by attending the 2024 ECOSOC Partnership Forum you will be entering an area where photography, as well as audio and video recording, may occur. By joining the event, participants consent to appearing in images and recordings and for the release, publication, exhibition and reproduction of such images and recordings.
- The United Nations Headquarters is a workplace for delegates and staff. Participants are reminded to behave appropriately, to keep noise levels down and to dress in a way that respects the professional working environment of the United Nations.
- United Nations Security reserves the right to deny entry or remove from the premises anyone not behaving or dressed appropriately.
- Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by a chaperone.

### ***Planning your Travel:***

Registered participants are personally responsible for arranging their travel to and from New York City and for obtaining the necessary entry visa(s) for travel to and from the meeting venue. Please ensure that the necessary arrangements are made in a timely fashion to obtain a US visa, as appropriate. Information regarding US visas can be found on this website: <http://usembassy.state.gov/>.

The three main airports in NYC are:

- John F. Kennedy International Airport
- Newark International Airport
- LaGuardia Airport (for flights within the US and from Canada and the Caribbean)

The two major train stations in NYC are:

- Penn Station (Amtrak, New Jersey Transit, Long Island Railroad)
- Grand Central (Metro North, Long Island Railroad)

### ***Getting Around NYC:***

- **Subway:** Number 4, 5, 6 or 7 trains to Grand Central Station: walk east to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue.
- **Buses:** Coming from lower Manhattan, bus [M15](#) will stop on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue in front of the United Nations. From uptown, bus [M15](#) will run on 2nd Avenue and stop on 46<sup>th</sup> and 42<sup>nd</sup> Streets. Buses [M42](#) and [M104](#) stop on 42<sup>nd</sup> Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue in both directions.
- **Taxis:** New York City taxis are available from any destination.