



United Nations Decade of Sustainable Transport

Launch of the United Nations Decade of Sustainable Transport (2026 – 2035)

10:00 am – 1:00 pm (EST), 10 December 2025

Trusteeship Council Chamber, United Nations Headquarters

INFORMATION NOTE

Background

In 2023, the General Assembly declared the first ever United Nations Decade of Sustainable Transport to start in 2026. The General Assembly, through resolution 78/148 titled “Strengthening the links between all modes of transport to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals” also called for the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) to develop an Implementation Plan for the [UN Decade of Sustainable Transport](#), in collaboration with the UN Regional Commissions and in consultation with Member States, the United Nations system and all other relevant stakeholders.

The Implementation Plan will be launched on **10 December 2025, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm** as a Special Event in the Trusteeship Council Chamber at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. This multi-stakeholder event will also signify the launch of the United Nations Decade of Sustainable Transport. It will provide an opportunity for Member States and a variety of stakeholders to showcase their commitment to sustainable transport, share good practices and make announcements of the actions and activities they intend to take to advance sustainable transport during the UN Decade.

Participation

The Launch of the United Nations Decade of Sustainable Transport 2026 – 2035 will be open to all those in possession of valid UN Grounds Passes and Special Event Tickets for the UNHQ in New York, up to the capacity of the Conference room.

Registration (Deadline: 2 December 2025)

Representatives from non-governmental organizations and other relevant stakeholders who do not hold valid UN ground passes for UN Headquarters in New York were able to register in Indico. Registration has closed on 2 December 2025.

Access to the UNHQ and Special Events Ticket (SET) pick-up

Representatives from non-governmental organizations and other relevant stakeholders not in possession of valid UN Grounds passes for the UNHQ in New York whose registration requests have been approved must pick up their Special Events Tickets (SETs) to attend the sessions.

If you do not have a UN grounds pass AND you have requested a Special Events Ticket in your registration, please bring your original government-issued photo ID (must be from a UN Member State) and present a copy of your registration confirmation letter to collect your ticket at the following location/time:

When: 10 December 2025 from 9:00 – 11:00 AM

Where: UN Visitors Center, 801 1st Avenue, New York, NY 10017 (West side of 1st Avenue between 45th and 46th streets)

You can only collect your Special Event Ticket during the above time window, the Secretariat will not be able to facilitate any latecomers/requests.

Access to Trusteeship Council Chamber

Stakeholders should proceed to the 3rd floor to access the Trusteeship Council Chamber using the escalators that are located near the UN guided tours area. Participants with mobility issues may pass the security door at the end of visitors' hall and take elevator to second floor, provided they have communicated it to the secretariat in advance. (Click on [map](#)).

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: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.html>.

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 and Uber service are available from any destination.

Accommodation

All participants are expected to make their own accommodation arrangements. Please note that hotel reservations generally require a credit card guarantee.

Below is a list of hotels located within walking distance of the United Nations Headquarters. Some may offer discounted rates for travelers attending UN meetings. The UN does not endorse any particular hotel, and the list below is provided for convenience only.

Budget Hotels (Approx. USD 150–250 per night)

- **Pod 51** 230 East 51st Street | +1 212-355-0300 www.thepodhotel.com
- **Pod 39** 145 East 39th Street | +1 212-865-5700 www.thepodhotel.com
- **Hampton Inn Manhattan** 231 East 43rd Street (between 2nd & 3rd Ave) | +1 212-897-3385
- **Hotel Boutique at Grand Central** 447 Lexington Avenue (between 44th & 45th St) | +1 212-297-0300 www.hotelboutiqueatgrandcentral.com
- **Club Quarters Grand Central** 128 East 45th Street | +1 212-986-6400 www.clubquarters.com

Mid-Range Hotels (Approx. USD 250–400 per night)

- **Fitzpatrick Grand Central** 141 East 44th Street | +1 212-351-6800 www.fitzpatrickhotels.com
- **Roger Smith Hotel** 501 Lexington Avenue (between 47th & 48th St) | +1 212-755-1400 [Website](#)
- **Hilton Garden Inn** 206 East 52nd Street | +1 212-794-6000
- **Club Wyndham Midtown** 45205 East 45th Street | +1 212-867-5100 [Website](#)
- **Residence Inn by Marriott** 148 East 48th Street (between 3rd & Lexington Ave) | +1 212-980-1003 www.newyorkresidenceinn.com
- **Courtyard New York (Midtown East)** 866 Third Avenue & 52nd Street | +1 212-644-1300
- **The Lexington Hotel** 511 Lexington Avenue at 48th Street | +1 212-755-4400 www.lexingtonhotelnyc.com

Premium Hotels (Approx. USD 400+ per night)

- **ONE UN New York – Millennium Hilton** 1 UN Plaza (First Avenue & 44th Street) | +1 212-758-1234 [Website](#)

Additional Resources

You may also consult the following websites for rate comparisons and availability: 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

General Inquiries

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