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# Briefing on the Fourth Session of the UN Environment Assembly

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## Invitation

The fourth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-4) will take place from 11-15 March 2019, in Nairobi, Kenya.

UNEA-4 will feature a number of high-level events and negotiate resolutions on areas of expertise of International Geneva. The theme for this session is “**Innovative solutions for environmental challenges and sustainable consumption and production**” covers policies, financing, technologies, partnerships and multistakeholder processes, key both to solving many environmental challenges, as well as to accelerating sustainable development more generally. This recognition of the need of transformative change to support Agenda 2030, already highlighted at the 2nd and 3rd sessions of the United Nations Environment Assembly, directly underpins the choice of the overarching theme for the fourth session of the Environment Assembly by Member States.

On the occasion of the visit of the President of the UN Environment Assembly, H.E. Siim KIISLER, Minister of Environment of Estonia to Geneva, you are cordially invited to a briefing in preparation of this important meeting, organized by the Geneva Environment Network Secretariat, at the International Environment House.

To complement the President vision for the upcoming assembly, a science serving decision makers session will feature the global assessments to be released at UNEA. Switzerland, member of the UNEA Bureau, has regularly contributed to the dialogues and briefings in preparation of the former UN Environment Assembly sessions organized through the Geneva Environment Network platform, and will bring its expertise in the closing remarks.

**RSVP:** <https://goo.gl/6AD6oV>

## Agenda

### Welcome

Sylvie MOTARD, Europe Office Director a.i.,  
United Nations Environment Programme

**President Vision for the Assembly:  
Ministerial Outcome Document,  
Partnerships, Policy integration, and People**  
H.E. Siim KIISLER, Minister of Environment of  
Estonia, President of UNEA-4 Bureau

### Practical information on the Assembly

Wondwosen ASNAKE KIBRET, Europe Office  
Policy and Partnerships Coordinator, United  
Nations Environment Programme

### Science serving decision makers: the Global Environmental Assessments at UNEA-4

Global Environmental Outlook, Matthew BILLOT  
Global Chemicals Outlook, Jost DITTKRIST  
Global Resources Outlook, Ben SIMMONS  
World Environment Situation Room & MapX,  
Pascal PEDUZZI & Inga PETERSEN

Session moderated by Steven RAMAGE, Head  
of External Relations, GEO Secretariat

### Concluding remarks

Felix WERTLI, Vice President of UNEA-4  
Bureau, and Head of Section Global Affairs,  
International Affairs Division, Federal Office  
for the Environment of Switzerland