

STOCKHOLM+50: A HEALTHY PLANET FOR THE PROSPERITY OF ALL – OUR RESPONSIBILITY, OUR OPPORTUNITY



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Securing a healthy and prosperous planet for all means embarking on a joint journey where our footprint of today does not hamper the well-being of current and future generations. Stockholm+50 presents an opportunity for co-creation and multi-stakeholder approach to accelerate implementation in the coming decade in areas fundamental to a sustainable future: the relationship between human and nature, what we invest in, and how resources are used and shared.

Why should you be part of Stockholm+50? - a commemoration, a reflection – a time to act

Five decades after the 1972 UN Conference in Stockholm made the link between environment and poverty and placed it at the forefront of the international agenda, Stockholm welcomes the world again in June 2022. We will commemorate the watershed moment that the 1972 conference represents, and reflect on the current situation we find ourselves, through **addressing the intergenerational responsibility**, focusing on the **implementation opportunities**, and recognising **interconnectivity between stakeholders and between policy issues**.

Stockholm+50 offers an opportunity for nations and stakeholders to collaborate, share expertise and address complex nexus issues for urgent actions and long-term system change. It can identify solutions and actions of a cross-cutting nature to drive implementation through a whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach, leaving no one behind.

What will Stockholm+50 achieve? – a catalytic forum for bold action

After the Food Systems Summit, climate COP26, the High Level Dialogue on Energy, UNEA5.2, and UNEP@50, and ahead of climate COP27 and biodiversity COP15 amongst other key events, Stockholm+50 is a timely opportunity to reinforce the 1972 principles and to generate urgent actions for a healthy planet for the prosperity of all by:

- Accelerating the implementation of commitments for a sustainable, inclusive, peaceful and gender-responsive future through exploring enhanced and innovative financing and capacity building opportunities, showcasing solutions and examining existing structures;
- Driving actions across sectors needed to recover and build forward from the pandemic and its adverse impacts on people, planet and prosperity;
- Advancing policies and partnerships for transitioning to a net-zero, zero-pollution and nature-positive global economy, including by rethinking new metrics for our economy;
- Promoting structures for meaningful youth participation, by strengthening the voice and representation of young people, and ensuring that the wellbeing of current and future generations is at the core of all discussions; and
- Supporting the mobilisation of innovative and bold action and collaboration by business to drive system transformation.

What is the outcome? - recommendations and messages for action at all levels

An action-oriented outcome is envisioned, that charts the way forward by highlighting key actions governments and other stakeholders can take to deliver on the 2030 Agenda and beyond. An outcome that mobilizes the global community behind strengthened cooperation and accelerated innovative action on the Global Goals. The leadership dialogues are expected to contribute to the outcome by yielding clear and concrete recommendations and messages for action at all levels.

Leadership Dialogue 1:
Reflecting on the urgent need for actions to achieve a healthy planet and prosperity of all

Leadership dialogue 2:
Achieving a sustainable and inclusive recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic

Leadership dialogue 3:
Accelerating the implementation of the environmental dimension of Sustainable Development in the context of the Decade of Action

How can you engage with Stockholm+50? - an inclusive engagement

In the same vein as the 1972 Stockholm Conference, the engagement of civil society and a variety of stakeholders will be at the heart of Stockholm+50, with a particular focus on meaningful youth engagement. National and regional stakeholder consultations will be organized to give voice to as many stakeholders as possible and ensuring a bottom-up mapping of key elements and actions needed to safeguard the human environment.

All relevant stakeholders, including women, youth, older persons, persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and local communities are invited to contribute to the discussions of the international meeting and their preparation through direct participation as well as through informal groups to support the Leadership dialogues and in stakeholder consultations.

What can be the possible pathways to a healthy planet? – the 5 "R"s

The outcomes of the various global and regional processes can be brought into the thinking through 5 interconnected pathways, which serve to chart a course towards Stockholm+50 and beyond through providing frames for the Leadership Dialogues and enable us to measure progress towards a healthy planet: through **reimagining** the future; through **regeneration** of ecosystems, of community and social resilience; to address a green **recovery** and inclusive Covid recovery; to **rebalance** resource use and development for greater equity; to support a **reinvented/renewed** multilateralism. See the [Thought piece on the website](#) for more details.

What is the mandate of Stockholm+50? – the UN mandate

Enabling resolution (A/RES/75/280 of 24 May 2021) laying the foundation for the international meeting by deciding on title, dates and location, stating that the purpose of Stockholm+50 is to contribute to the environmental dimension of sustainable development to accelerate the implementation of commitments in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development, including a sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Modalities resolution (A/RES/75/326 of 10 September 2021) providing the structure, format, preparations and organisational arrangements; specifying the themes of the three leadership dialogues; deciding that two Presidents (from Sweden and from Kenya) will be elected; and appointing UNEP Executive Director as the Secretary-General of the meeting.

Practical arrangements

UNEP is the focal point for Stockholm+50 and will coordinate both substantive and practical support to the organization of Stockholm+50 in close consultation with the co-hosts Kenya and Sweden. UNDP, as other UN agencies are partnering in the preparations. Invitations will be sent from the UN Secretary General's office, addressed to Heads of State and Government, through their New York Mission. All non-State participants should be accredited by the UN General Assembly before registering for the meeting.

Find up-to-date information on the Stockholm+50 website:
<https://www.stockholm50.global/>

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