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UNEA-5.2

28 FEBRUARY - 2 MARCH 2022

3000 in-person participants

1500 online participants

175 UN Member States

79 Ministers

17 high-level officials

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ADOPTED

- »» 14 Resolutions
- »» Decision
- »» Ministerial Declaration

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RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

CLUSTERS

- 1/ Plastic Pollution
- 2/ Nature and Biodiversity
- 3/ Chemicals, Waste and Pollution
- 4/ Green Recovery and Circular Economy
- 5/ Organizational and Administrative Matters

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RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

CLUSTER 1: PLASTIC POLLUTION

End plastic pollution: Towards an international legally binding instrument ([UNEP/EA5/L23/REV.1](#))

- ➔ Requests the Executive Director to convene an INC, commencing its work during second half of 2022, with the ambition of completing its work by the end of 2024
- ➔ Decides that the INC should develop an international LBI on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment, which could include both binding and voluntary approaches, based on a comprehensive approach that addresses the full lifecycle of plastic [...]
- ➔ Requests the Executive Director to convene an ad hoc open-ended working group to hold one meeting during the first half of 2022 to prepare for the work of the INC

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CLUSTER 2: NATURE & BIODIVERSITY

- Sustainable Lake Management (UNEP/EA5/L8/REV.1)
- Nature-based Solutions for supporting sustainable development (UNEP/EA5/L9/REV.1)
- Animal Welfare – Environment – Sustainable Development nexus (UNEP/EA5/L10/REV.1)
- Biodiversity and Health (UNEP/EA5/L11/REV.1)

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RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

CLUSTER 3: CHEMICALS, WASTE & POLLUTION

- Science-Policy Panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution (UNEP/EA5/L14/REV.1)
- Sustainable Nitrogen Management (UNEP/EA5/L12/REV.1)
- Sound management of chemicals and waste (UNEP/EA5/L13/REV.1)

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CLUSTER 4: GREEN RECOVERY & CIRCULAR ECONOMY

- Sustainable and Resilient Infrastructure (UNEP/EA5/L15/REV.1)
- Environmental dimension of a sustainable, resilient and inclusive post COVID-19 recovery (UNEP/EA5/L16/REV.1)
- Enhancing Circular Economy as a contribution to achieving sustainable consumption and production (UNEP/EA5/L17/REV.1)
- Environmental aspects of minerals and metals management (UNEP/EA5/L18/REV.1)

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CLUSTER 5: ORGANIZATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- Due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution, in accordance with paragraph 3 of article 101 of the Charter of the United Nations (UNEP/EA5/L19/REV.1)
- Future of Global Environment Outlook (UNEP/EA5/L20/REV.1)
- Provisional agenda, date and venue of the sixth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEP/EA5/L21/REV.1)

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MINISTERIAL DECLARATION

Ministerial declaration of the United Nations Environment Assembly at its fifth session: Strengthening actions for nature to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals ([UNEP/EA.5/HLS.1](#))

- ➔ The Ministers of Environment recognize the need for transformative and systemic changes, and for policies that address several environmental, economic and social challenges simultaneously

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UNEA-6

26 FEBRUARY - 1 MARCH 2024 | NAIROBI

Provisional agenda, date and venue of UNEA-6:
UNEP/EA5/L21/REV.1

President: Leyla Benali, Minister of
Energy, Transition, and Sustainable
Development, Morocco



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UNEP@50

3 - 4 MARCH 2022

Leadership Dialogues

- ➔ Looking Back: 50 years of UNEP
- ➔ Looking forward: Achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development for people and planet

Multi-stakeholder Dialogue

Strengthening UNEP for the implementation of the environmental dimension of 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Report on the Science-Policy Interface
([UNEP/EA.SS.1/2](#))

Stakeholder Report "[The UNEP We Want](#)"

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POLITICAL DECLARATION

- Political declaration of the special session of the United Nations Environment Assembly to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Environment Programme ([UNEP/EA.SS.1/4](#))

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Welcome to the Fifth Session of the
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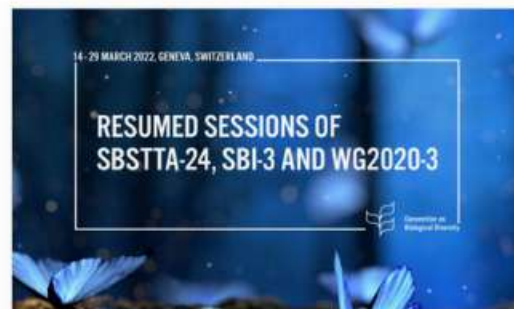
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ONGOING MEETINGS



UPDATE

Towards the Convention of Biological Diversity Resumed Sessions of SBSTTA-24, SBI-3 and WG2020-3

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UPDATE

Environment @ 49th Session of the UN Human Rights Council

21 MAR 2022

Human Rights and Environment
 SDG10 | SDG16

49th Human Rights Council

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NEXT WEEK



EVENT | CONFERENCE

Stockholm+50 and Human Rights | The Human Rights Council Contributions to Protecting Human and Natural Environment

30 MAR 2022 14:00 - 15:30
International Environment House & Online
| Webex
Earthjustice, France, GEN

Climate | Nature | Chemicals and Pollution | Human Rights and Environment
 SDG17

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