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WORLD LEADERS' CLIMATE ACTION SUMMIT

I. Introduction

1. The Antalya Leaders' Summit (ALS) will bring Heads of State and Government (HoS/G) together in the Republic of Türkiye on Wednesday, 11 and Thursday, 12 November 2026.
2. This note includes information for media and official photographers/videographers who will be travelling to COP31 with Heads of State and Government.

II. Accreditation

3. Only accredited individuals with a UNFCCC conference badge will be permitted to access the COP31 venue.
4. Media teams accompanying (HoS/G) must be registered in the ORS as part of the delegation. This is the only official channel for media registration and the secretariat will not accept applications for accreditation via any other channel.

III. Visa

5. The Government of Türkiye has authorized an electronic, free-of-charge "COP31 Visa", for all registered participants of COP31 Türkiye.
6. Once UNFCCC accreditation has been confirmed, individuals will receive a confirmation email from the UNFCCC which will include a link to apply for the COP31 Visa.
7. Through the link, individuals should visit the official electronic visa portal and supply the information requested. Once approved, a visa confirmation email with a link to download the COP31 Visa, will be shared.
8. Those who are exempt from requiring a visa, on a voluntary basis, are still advised to apply.
9. For more detailed information please visit the here.

IV. Customs Clearance for Media Equipment

10. Professional media and broadcast equipment as well as personal belongings brought into Türkiye by media personnel and delegation media teams must follow the customs procedures.
11. Media personnel and delegation media teams are strongly advised to provide advance declaration of any professional equipment that may not qualify as standard accompanied-baggage exemptions or that may be subject to customs procedures upon entry into Türkiye.
12. Please refer to this COP31 Media Services Site for information about the custom procedure.

V. Accessing the COP31 venue – Spectrum Licensing

13. Attendance at COP31 requires the registration of all radio-electronic equipment and the submission of a request for temporary radio spectrum allocation. This process is contingent upon the approval of accreditation via the UNFCCC Online Registration System.
14. All accredited participants are invited to register their radio-electronic equipment and submit radio spectrum requests through the COP31 Radio Spectrum Management Portal. The portal serves as the sole official channel for submitting equipment registrations and spectrum requests. Submissions made via email, or any other alternative methods will not be processed.
15. It is advised to consult the Technical Guide for regulations governing the use of radio-electronic equipment and the allocation of temporary radio spectrum. The User Guide provides detailed instructions for utilizing the portal. Links to these guidelines are available here.
16. The submission must be made prior to arrival at the conference venue.
17. For further assistance please contact cop31.spectrum@btk.gov.tr.

VI. Access to the Media Centre

18. Media on party delegation badges will be allowed to access the media centre from 11 November till 12 November. From the 13 November onwards, the media centre will only be accessible by those with a media badge.
19. The media centre has an overall capacity of 1500. All cubicles and broadcast workstations are prebooked, and therefore not available. The 300 desks in the Open Writing Press area will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Security at the entrance of the media center will inform media representatives if the media centre is full. There are other workstations across the COP site; however, these will not offer the services available in the media centre.
20. If you want to use an unallocated broadcast workstation which offers access to the Host Broadcast pool feeds, please visit the IBC Information Desk.

VII. Overview Media Moments and Access Arrangements

21. There will be several media moments within the ALS programme to capture Heads of State and Government activity at COP31. The table below outlines moments and where there will be access for travelling media and official photographers/videographers. The access has been defined based on security and the space available in each location. No exceptions will be made. All moments will be covered by the COP31 host broadcaster and official photography teams, and the

footage/photographs will be freely available to all delegations. More information on how to access the footage/photographs is outlined in chapter "Download Host Broadcast Footage and Official Photography".

22. For the schedule of events during the ALS please see here.

Media Moment	**Access for travelling media**	**Access for travelling official photographers and videographers**
Informal Arrival of HoS/G for Antalya Leaders' Summit (ALS)	None	None
Handshake of HoS/G with UN Secretary General and President of the Republic of Türkiye	None	None
Family Photo	None	None
ALS opening ceremony – Plenary 1 Anadolu	None	None
VVIP Lounge	None	None
Opening Ceremony and Delivery of National Statements – Plenary 1 Anadolu	Two broadcasters and two photographers and press seats at the back of the room	Yes
Bilateral meetings of Leaders – VVIP area	Four per country	Yes, if they are part of the four per country allocation
Events hosted by the UN Secretary General	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer
Round Tables hosted by the COP31 Presidency	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer
COP 31 Presidency Events	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer
Summit High-Level Party Event (SHLPE)	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer
Gala Dinner	None	None
Press Conference Rooms 1 & 2	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer	Yes, if not restricted by the organizer
Pavilions	Yes, if not restricted by the Pavilion owner	Yes, if not restricted by the Pavilion owner

VIII. Access modalities for Bilateral Meeting Rooms

23. Travelling media should present themselves at the Media Meeting Desk, located outside of the Red Zone, at least 20 Minutes ahead of when a bilateral is scheduled.

24. Travelling media **must** be at the Bilateral Meeting Point, which will be located outside of the entrance to the bilateral meeting rooms, 15 minutes before the bilateral is scheduled to start. Media should inform those at the Media Meeting desk which bilateral they require to capture. Media will be given an overlay pass and escorted into the bilateral rooms where they will be able to capture the first minute of the greeting between the Leaders before being escorted out. The overlay pass must be returned before departure.

IX. Access modalities for Events hosted by the UN Secretary General

25. Media (accredited and travelling) attendance at UN Secretary General events is at the discretion of the event organizer and if space allows.

26. If media (accredited and travelling) are permitted access, they must present themselves to the Media Meeting Desk outside of the Red Zone at least 30 minutes ahead of start of the event. Media will be escorted into the event locations with sufficient time to set up ahead of the event.

X. Access modalities for Delivery of National Statements

27. Those who wish to capture individual National Statements, whether accredited media or travelling media (film cameras or photographers) can do so under guidance. Those interested must present themselves to the Media Meeting Desk outside of the Red Zone at least 40 minutes ahead of the National Statement to be captured. Media will be escorted to the Plenary Meeting Point and into the Plenary Hall with sufficient time to set up ahead of the National Statement to be captured. For Videographers there will be access to 'clean' sound from a distribution box at a designated location from where the National Statement can be filmed. On completion of the National Statement, the escorted media representatives must leave the room.

28. There will be a restriction on travelling media of no more than 2 film cameras and 2 photographers for each National Statement. Broadcast cameras will have access to Floor and English Clean Audio. Media are required to bring their own XLR cables to connect to the distribution amplifier (DA). Accredited media will be allowed entry on top of travelling media if space and security are allowed.

XI. Access modalities for Round Tables hosted by the COP31 Presidency

29. Media (accredited and travelling) attendance at Round Tables hosted by the COP31 Presidency is at the discretion of the event organizer and if space allows.

30. If media (accredited and travelling) are allowed to enter, they must present themselves to the Media Meeting Desk outside of the Red Zone at least 30 minutes ahead of the start of the event. Media will be escorted into the event locations with sufficient time to set up ahead of the event.

XII. Access modalities for COP31 Presidency High-Level Events

31. Media (accredited and travelling) attendance at COP31 Presidency High-Level Events is at the discretion of the event organizer and if space allows.

32. If media (accredited and travelling) are allowed to enter, they must present themselves to the Media Meeting Desk outside of the Red Zone at least 30 minutes. Media will be escorted into the event locations with sufficient time to set up ahead of the event.

XIII. Access modalities for Summit High-Level Party Event (SHLPE)

33. Media (accredited and travelling) attendance at Summit High-Level Party Event (SHLPE) is at the discretion of the event organizer and if space allows.
34. If media (accredited and travelling) are allowed to enter, they must present themselves to the Media Meeting Desk outside of the Red Zone venue at least 30 minutes ahead of the event. Media will be escorted into the event locations with sufficient time to set up ahead of the event.

XIV. Access modalities for Press Conference Rooms

35. Travelling media will be allowed to access Press Conference Room 1 “Mevlana” and Press Conference Room 2 “Yunus Emre”.
36. However, be advised that some press conferences may be restricted by the organizer.

XV. Access modalities for Pavilions

37. If a Head of State or Government is visiting their own country pavilion as part of their programme, travelling media and official photographers/videographers will be able to access pavilions and capture footage/photographs.
38. If a Head of State or Government is visiting another party or observer pavilion, access for media and official photographers/videographers is at the discretion of the pavilion owner and if space allows.

XVI. Download Host Broadcast Footage and Official Photography

39. Access to images from the Official UNFCCC Photography team is via the UNFCCC Flickr account. This is an open platform, and login details are not required.
40. Access to photos from the Official Host Country Photography team is via COP 31 Official Host Country Flickr. Photographs of each Leaders’ arrival and handshake will be posted on this platform for free download.
41. Broadcasters can request copies of all public media moments captured by the Host Broadcaster. Please visit the Media Information Desk inside the Media Centre where requests can be submitted. Following submission of the request, the footage will be sent to the registered email address for free download.
42. There will be two press conference rooms within the COP31 Blue Zone site: Press Conference Room 1 “Mevlana” and Press Conference Room 2 “Yunus Emre”. Press Conference Room 1 is located next to the VVIP Lounge and Plenary 1. Heads of State or Government are encouraged to use Press Conference Room 1 due to its proximity to the VVIP lounge. The room has a capacity of 200 people, with a riser at the rear for broadcast cameras. Access to Clean Audio will be available. Broadcasters need to carry with them, their own XLR cables to connect to the DA. The Press Conference Rooms have a dual stage set-up with a top table for 6 people, and a single lectern.

43. Media are not permitted to carry out Live stand-ups in the Press Conference Rooms or the Plenaries.

44. If you wish to hold a closed press conference to your travelling media or country specific accredited media only, the Country press officer will be responsible – in collaboration with the Press Conference Room Manager – for managing access at the door.

45. To book a press conference please visit the press and media page on the UNFCCC website and complete a press conference request form.

46. Press conference rooms are available from 09:00 – 18:00 every day and will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis. Each press conference is restricted to a maximum of 30 minutes, unless otherwise requested.

47. The press conference schedule can be found here.

XVII. Filming outside of the COP31 site

48. Media representatives accredited for COP31 who wish to conduct photography or video filming in areas outside the conference venue must obtain necessary authorization in advance.

49. Please refer to COP31 Media Services Site for detailed information about the authorization procedure.

XVIII. Further contacts

50. All questions regarding media accompanying HoS/G and access should be directed to mediaservices@unfccc.int and media@cop31.tr.