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MESSAGE TO INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Quota allocation

United Nations Climate Change Conference, COP29 11–22 November 2024 Baku, Azerbaijan

The UNFCCC secretariat refers to the <u>notification dated 24 June 2024</u> intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations (IOGs and NGOs) admitted as observers by the Conference of the Parties ahead of the United Nations Climate Change Conference to be held from 11 to 22 November 2024 in Baku, Azerbaijan, and wishes to inform IGOs and NGOs that as at the closing of the nomination period on 4 August 2024, the secretariat had received over 39,000 nominations from about 2,100 IGOs and NGOs for participation during COP 29.

Taking into consideration the capacity of the premises and the services available, the security and safety of the participants, the quotas for admitted IGOs and NGOs for COP29 is 9,500. From this, an initial allocation of 8,000 was issued on 22 August 2024. Each quota can be distributed among multiple participants by using the <u>daily badge system</u>, thus de facto increasing the participation of IGOs and NGOs. The Online Registration System (ORS) has been open for the confirmation of delegates for onsite participation by IGOs and NGOs since 22 August 2024 and will remain so until 10 November 2024.

The secretariat is in the process of opening registration in the ORS for virtual participation in the coming weeks. IGOs and NGOs are encouraged to participate in COP29 via the digital platform.

We also take this opportunity to inform you that in response to the request from the Subsidiary Body for Implementation for more diverse representation of observer organizations at UNFCCC sessions, the quota allocation system has been revisited. Efforts were made to this end with regard to regional groups and NGO constituencies. For further information participation guidelines, logistical arrangements, and opportunities for engagement at COP29, please refer to the <u>Observer Handbook for</u> <u>COP29</u>, which provides key pointers on how to engage effectively and contribute to the UNFCCC process.

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Please note that the secretariat has collaborated with the Government of Azerbaijan to implement an enhanced online visa application process that ensures a robust visa application process for all delegates attending COP 29. More information on obtaining a visa is sent to each registered participant upon confirmation.

