NOTIFICATION TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS
AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

United Nations Climate Change Conference
3 – 13 June 2024, Bonn, Germany

I am pleased to notify intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) of the sixtieth sessions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SB 60).

The sessions will be held from 3 to 13 June 2024 at the World Conference Center Bonn (WCCB), Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2, 53113 Bonn, Germany. The draft provisional agendas for SBSTA 60 and SBI 60 will be made available on the SB60 conference page.

The online registration system (ORS, available at https://onlinereg.unfccc.int/), which allows IGOs and NGOs to nominate representatives to attend sessions was opened on 29 February 2024 and remained open for nomination of participants representing IGOs and NGOs until 31 March 2024, 23:59, Central European Time (CEST). The ORS will be open for the confirmation by IGOs and NGOs of their representatives from 9 April 2024 until 2 June 2024, 23:59 Central European Time (CEST). Nomination and confirmation deadlines will be applied strictly as the secretariat is not able to process late nominations or confirmations.

The manual on how to access and use the system is available here. ORS is the only official channel for nominating participants for SB 60. The secretariat is not in a position to process nominations submitted by any other method. For technical assistance in the ORS, kindly submit a message in the ORS Support Form.

Please note that it is important that a correct and unique email address be provided for each participant for the swift processing of registration confirmations. Once the delegate is confirmed in the ORS, an email with a link to download the acknowledgment letter will be sent to the email address of the confirmed delegate.

Distribution: To all intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations admitted as observers by the Conference of the Parties.
In accordance with decision 23/CP.18, and with a view to promoting gender balance and improving the participation of women in UNFCCC negotiations, the nomination of women delegates to attend the conference is kindly encouraged. Additionally, in accordance with decisions 1/CP.26 and 1/CMA.3, and with a view to promoting youth participation in relevant climate processes at the national and international level, the nomination of youth delegates is also kindly encouraged. Finally, in alignment with FCCC/SBI/2021/16, it is encouraged to also nominate representatives from developing countries.

The annex attached to this notification provides information for participants, including on registration, visas for Germany, hotel accommodation and transportation.

Any additional information on SB 60 will be posted on the UNFCCC website at https://unfccc.int/sb60.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

Simon Stiell
## Annex

### Information for SB 60 participants

| **Accommodation and transport** | The local tourism board, Tourismus & Congress GmbH Region Bonn, in association with the City of Bonn, provides information on regional hotels and local public transportation. Further information on how to book a hotel in Bonn is available [here](#). Please note that bookings via this page come with a free ticket for local public transport during the dates of SB 60.  

For further information regarding hotel reservations made through this link, please contact:  

Hotel Reservation Hotline  
+49 228 910 4133  
bonnhotels@bonn-region.de  

Please be informed that the City of Bonn charges an accommodation tax. Further information is available [here](#). |
| **Cameras** | The taking of still photographs and making of audio or video recordings within a United Nations designated conference venue or an online conference platform are subject to guidelines and any other guidance or instructions deemed relevant by the secretariat or United Nations Security.  

Photographs may be taken, and video and audio recordings may be made, by participants within the United Nations designated conference venue’s public areas, such as lobbies and corridors, and meeting rooms (except during open and closed official meetings), provided that such activities do not disrupt the activities or movements of participants or the security provisions of that area. Permission of those who will be recorded should be sought.  

The making of audio and video recordings during open and closed official meetings and in designated high-security zones is not permitted. The secretariat provides full audio and video recordings for all official open plenary meetings. All webcast recordings are made available on the UNFCCC website. |
| **Code of conduct** | UNFCCC conferences, meetings and events are guided by the highest ethical and standards and should be professional, respectful, inclusive and harassment-free for all participants. All participants are expected to behave with integrity and respect towards all participants attending or involved with any UNFCCC event.  

**Participation in UNFCCC sessions is governed by the relevant guidelines and policies, including the Code of Conduct.** The Code of Conduct contains detailed information on prohibited conduct, complaint and investigation processes as well as possible consequences in case of misbehaviour. Parties and observer States agree to ensure compliance with such guidelines and policies upon nomination in ORS. Individual participants agree to comply upon registering at the conference venue. |
| **Conferences Badges** | An official UNFCCC conference badge is needed to access the premises. The badge is issued only on the basis of a confirmation from the online registration system. For security reasons, all participants are requested to wear their badges visibly at all times. |

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1 A more comprehensive information for SB 60 participants can be found [here](#).
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<th><strong>Conference venue opening hours</strong></th>
<th>The venue will open by 8 a.m. and close at 6 p.m. for the duration of the conference. There will be no meetings or side events after 6 p.m.</th>
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<td><strong>Daily programme</strong></td>
<td>The Daily Programme will be available during the conference on the SB 60 Daily Programme web page (link will be provided in due course). The first day the Daily Programme will be available is Monday, 3 June 2024. Daily updates on the negotiations will be disseminated electronically. To facilitate access, weblinks to the updates will be included in the Daily Programme. The secretariat strongly encourages disseminating material electronically only.</td>
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<td><strong>Documents</strong></td>
<td>All essential documents will be made available on the SBSTA 60 and SBI 60 session web pages, accessible from the UNFCCC website home page, the SB 60 conference page and the UN Climate Change app. They can also be found on the Documents page (reachable from the Documents and decisions menu on the UNFCCC home page). Please check the <a href="http://unfccc.int">UNFCCC website</a> regularly.</td>
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<td><strong>List of participants</strong></td>
<td>The Lists of Participants (LoP) will reflect information as provided in ORS during the registration process. The following changes have been implemented as part of the secretariat’s overall efforts to increase the transparency of participation in the UN Climate Change Process. All delegates under all badge types of Parties and Observers will be published as part of the LoP. The LoP will additionally include the delegates who are nominated under badge types such as Party Overflow, UN Overflow, Press, Global Climate Action and Temporary Pass. The LoP will include the information provided during registration, including the newly introduced fields for relationship and affiliation to nominating Party or Observer organizations.</td>
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<td><strong>Media</strong></td>
<td>All correspondents granted access to the conference are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner. They must abide by all policies in place, with due regard to the dignity, privacy and integrity of all individuals, in accordance with relevant guidelines and policies, including those of the United Nations Headquarters.</td>
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<td><strong>Press Briefings</strong></td>
<td>Observer organizations wishing to hold press/media briefings during the sessions should inform the secretariat in advance of their intention to hold such briefings. This will facilitate adequate logistical and technical arrangements. Requests should be addressed directly to the UNFCCC Press Office by email to <a href="mailto:pressconf@unfccc.int">pressconf@unfccc.int</a>. Further requests for information on press conferences can also be sent to that email address.</td>
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All formalities regarding registration, including issuance of badges to duly nominated participants to attend the sessions, are free of charge.

**Who can register**

Non-profit organizations with observer status may register to attend the sessions of the Convention. More information on options for participation is available [here](#).  

**Guidelines for participation**

Please refer to the [guidelines for the participation] of representatives of NGOs at meetings of UNFCCC bodies, as well as the [waiver form, regarding the participation of minors](#). Please refer to the [overview](#) of observer organizations in the UNFCCC process for further information.  

**How to register**

Registration for the conference is managed through the UNFCCC [Online Registration System (ORS)](#). ORS for nomination of participants representing IGOs and NGOs [opened on 29 February 2024](#) and closed on 31 March 2024, 23:59 Central European Time (CEST). The ORS will open for the confirmation by IGOs and NGOs of their representatives from 9 April 2024 until 2 June 2024, 23:59 Central European Time (CEST).

Please be aware that you can register only once for the sessions. Double registration (i.e. as an observer organization representative and a Party or State representative, or as an observer organization representative and a press/media representative) is not permitted.  

**Registration desk opening hours**

During the conference dates, registration counters will open from 8:00 – 17:30 hrs. A detailed schedule, including opening hours for the pre-sessional week, will be provided via the IFP in due course.

The **conference venue, including registration, will be closed on Sunday, 9 June 2024**.

Early registration before Monday, 3 June, is highly recommended to avoid delays on the first day of the conference.

**Virtual-only participation**

Due to financial constraints, it is unfortunately not possible to provide a virtual platform to enable registered participants to access UNFCCC meetings remotely for SB 60. However, plenary meetings will be streamed online and are accessible via a link provided on the [UNFCCC meetings webpage](#).

**Security Guidelines**

The following guidelines are set in place to ensure an environment conducive to intergovernmental dialogues:

- [UN Security guidelines related to media actions, distribution of publicity materials, and use of UN emblem at the UNFCCC conferences](#)
- [UN Administrative instruction on Authority of United Nations security officers](#)

There is an established process for clearance for demonstrations on site. Please contact cool@unfccc.int for further information including the timelines so that those organizations interested in making requests can do so in a timely manner.
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<th><strong>Shipment allowance</strong></th>
<th>To reduce the carbon footprint of the conference and owing to logistical considerations such as storage availability, the secretariat will not be in a position to receive shipments of a cumulative total weight in excess of 50 kg per Party or observer organization.</th>
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<td><strong>Side events and exhibits</strong></td>
<td>Applications for side events are managed through the Side Events and Exhibits Online Registration System (SEORS). SEORS is the only channel used by the UNFCCC secretariat to receive applications for official side events by admitted observer organizations, UN organizations and specialized agencies, and Parties partnering with admitted observer organizations. Information on side events is available on the UNFCCC website at <a href="https://seors.unfccc.int/">https://seors.unfccc.int/</a>. As indicated in the communication of 29 January 2024, the deadline for side events application was 1 March 2024.</td>
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<td><strong>Visas</strong></td>
<td>All foreign delegates entering Germany must have a valid passport. Participants requiring a visa are strongly encouraged to contact the appropriate consular authorities as soon as possible following receipt of this notification. The issuance of a visa for Schengen States may take up to two weeks from the date of submission of the visa application. To facilitate the issuance of a visa, a copy of the acknowledgement letter from the online registration system must be attached to the visa application. <strong>Participants are advised that obtaining a Schengen visa is contingent on the participant securing comprehensive insurance that covers their entire stay. If travelling more than once, it is recommended to obtain insurance that covers the period of all intended stays.</strong> Participants should indicate also if a Schengen visa has been issued to them in the last 59 months. For more information, visit the English language website of the German Federal Foreign Office at <a href="https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/visa-service/visabestimmungen-node">https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/visa-service/visabestimmungen-node</a> (available in a number of languages) and the website of the German Mission that will handle the visa application.</td>
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<td><strong>Disclaimer</strong></td>
<td><strong>Participants are strongly encouraged to obtain comprehensive international medical insurance for their period of participation.</strong> The United Nations and the UNFCCC secretariat disclaim all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other costs or losses that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation. <strong>In the interest of the security and safety of all participants and the smooth running of the conference, the UNFCCC secretariat reserves the right to deny and/or restrict access to the conference premises or to request registered participants to leave the premises.</strong> The UNFCCC secretariat shall not be responsible for any or all expenses incurred by nominated participants who are requested to leave the premises or are refused registration or access to the conference for which they have been nominated and/or registered as participants.</td>
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