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Admission of observers: organizations applying for admission as observers

Note by the secretariat

1. The admission of intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) as observers at sessions of the Conference of the Parties (COP) is governed by Article 7, paragraph 6, of the Convention, which provides that, inter alia:

“Any body or agency, whether national or international, governmental or non-governmental, which is qualified in matters covered by the Convention, and which has informed the secretariat of its wish to be represented at a session of the Conference of the Parties as an observer, may be so admitted unless at least one third of the Parties present object.”

2. COP 1 agreed¹ that the secretariat should invite to the future sessions of the COP and its subsidiary bodies all IGOs and NGOs admitted at COP 1 and at future sessions unless an objection was raised to any particular organization in accordance with the Convention and the draft rules of procedure being applied.² Consequently, the secretariat has notified all organizations admitted to previous sessions of the COP (with the exception of those admitted to a single session only) of the date and venue of COP 29 in accordance with rule 8 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, without prejudging decisions that may be taken by the COP. Only new applicants need to apply for admission.

3. The secretariat has prepared, for consideration by the COP, a list of new applicant IGOs and NGOs (see annex I) that have expressed a wish to be represented at sessions of the COP and its subsidiary bodies as observers and satisfy the requirements set out in (1) the Convention, (2) the draft rules of procedure being applied and (3) established practice.

4. In drawing up the list, the secretariat has taken due account of the provisions of Article 7, paragraph 6, of the Convention and rules 7–8 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, as well as of the established practice, of which the Subsidiary Body for Implementation took note,³ whereby IGOs and NGOs are required to provide proof of competence in matters related to the Convention and to confirm their independent juridical personality and non-profit and/or tax-exempt status in a Member State of the United Nations, of one of its specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, or in a State party to the Statute of the International Court of Justice.

5. Annex II provides details of admitted observer organizations that have, since being admitted as observers at sessions of the COP, legally changed their name as a result of

¹ [FCCC/CP/1995/7](#), para. 22.

² [FCCC/CP/1996/2](#).

³ [FCCC/SBI/2004/10](#), para. 100.

rebranding, merging with another organization or being subsumed by the parent organization that has applied for admission. In such instances, organizations were required to provide information in line with the aforementioned established practice and were deemed qualified to maintain observer status under their new name.

6. The members of the Bureau received the list of new applicants for their review and agreed to recommend the organizations listed to the COP for admission. These organizations have been advised of their provisional admittance status on the understanding that the final authority for their admission as observers rests with the COP. COP 29 is invited, at its 1st meeting, to accord observer status to the IGOs and NGOs listed in annex I and to note the name changes of the admitted observers listed in annex II.

7. With respect to rules 6–7 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, a single process is to be used for the admission of observer organizations to sessions of the COP, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol⁴ and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement,⁵ with decisions on the admission of observer organizations being taken by the COP.

⁴ Decision [36/CMP.1](#), para. 2(c).

⁵ Decision [2/CMA.1](#), para. (c)(ii).

Annex I

List of new applicant organizations for admission as observers at the twenty-ninth session of the Conference of the Parties

[English only]

Intergovernmental organizations

1. Small Island Developing States Dock (SIDS DOCK), Belmopan, Belize

Non-governmental organizations

2. 5 Elements – Institute of Environmental Education and Research, Sao Paulo, Brazil
3. Accounting for Sustainability (A4S), London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
4. Adamah Inc, Reisterstown, United States of America
5. Africa Apiculture Consortium (AHC), Nairobi, Kenya
6. Africa Climate and Environment Foundation (ACEF), Limbe, Cameroon
7. African Agricultural Technology Foundation (AATF), London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
8. African Centre for Environment, Agriculture & Rural Development (ACEARD), Uyo, Nigeria
9. African Coalition for Sustainable Energy and Access (ACSEA), Yaoundé, Cameroon
10. African Environmental Network (AEN), Yaoundé, Cameroon
11. Agora Partnerships, New York, United States of America
12. Alsisar Impact Social Venture Foundation, Mumbai, India
13. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), West Conshohocken, United States of America
14. Animal Protection Organization of Nigeria (APON), Ibadan, Nigeria
15. Apparel Impact Institute (Aii), Oakland, United States of America
16. Asociación Fondo Centroamericano de Mujeres (FCAM), San José, Costa Rica
17. Asociación Interamericana de Ingeniería Sanitaria y Ambiental (AIDIS), Santa Cecilia, Brazil
18. Association for Forests, Development and Conservation (AFDC), Jdeideh, Lebanon
19. Association pour la Protection de l'Environnement et le Développement Durable de Bizerte (APEDDUB), Bizerte, Tunisia
20. Association Sénégalaise pour la Promotion des Énergies Renouvelables (KokkiEnergie), Khombole, Senegal
21. Bangladesh Youth Leadership Center (BYLC), Dhaka, Bangladesh
22. Brandeis University, Waltham, United States of America
23. Bread for the World Institute, Washington D.C., United States of America
24. Bridge That Gap Hope for Africa Initiative (BTG), Kaduna, Nigeria
25. Brintbranchen (Hydrogen Denmark), Copenhagen, Denmark
26. Center for Study of Science, Technology, and Policy (CSTEP), Bengaluru, India
27. Clean Climate And Environment Campaign Initiative (CCAECI), Lagos, Nigeria
28. Climate Alliance Germany, Berlin, Germany
29. Climate Change for All Educators, Inc. (StC), New Canaan, United States of America
30. Climate Neutrality Foundation (CNF), Berlin, Germany
31. Climate Rights International (CRI), Berkeley, United States of America
32. Collectif des Leaders pour le Développement Durable de l'Afrique (CLDA), Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire
33. CorpsAfrica, Washington D.C., United States of America
34. Dalberg Catalyst, San Francisco, United States of America
35. Danmission, Hellerup, Denmark
36. Disability Rights Fund (DRF), Boston, United States of America
37. Doc Society Limited, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
38. Earth Law Center, Inc. (ELC), Durango, United States of America
39. Earth Security Partnerships CIC, Loughton, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
40. Eco Clean Active Initiative (ECA), Abuja, Nigeria
41. EcoHealth Alliance (EHA), New York, United States of America
42. Ecomed Public Union, Baku, Azerbaijan

43. Egyptian Arab Organization for Human Rights and Development, Cairo, Egypt
44. EkoSfera Social-Ecology Center (EkoSfera), Baku, Azerbaijan
45. Energy Peace Partners (EPP), Sausalito, United States of America
46. Environment and Food Foundation (E2F), Douala, Cameroon
47. Environmental Peacebuilding Association (EnPax), Washington D.C., United States of America
48. Fondation Eboko ZU Dia ba NKA, Château-Thierry, France
49. Fondation Jules et Paul-Émile Léger, Montreal, Canada
50. Foundation for the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (IHEID), Geneva, Switzerland
51. Friends of the Environment Fighting Climate Change (FOTEFICC), Nairobi, Kenya
52. Fundação Dom Cabral, Nova Lima, Brazil
53. Fundación Agenda Antartica, Buenos Aires, Argentina
54. Fundación para el Desarrollo en Justicia y Paz (FUNDAPAZ), Buenos Aires, Argentina
55. Gaia First, Paris, France
56. Generation Climate Europe AISBL (GCE), Brussels, Belgium
57. German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Bonn, Germany
58. GiveDirectly, Inc. (GD), New York, United States of America
59. Global Battery Alliance AISBL (GBA), Brussels, Belgium
60. Global Emerging Pathogens Treatment Initiative (GET), Ibadan, Nigeria
61. Global Forum on Human Settlements, New York, United States of America
62. Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (GI-ESCR), Minneapolis, United States of America
63. Green Hydrogen Organisation (GH2), Geneva, Switzerland
64. Haikou Better Blue Marine Ecological Protection Center (Better Blue), Haikou, China
65. HealthforAnimals, Brussels, Belgium
66. HelpAge International (HAI), London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
67. High Tide Foundation, New York, United States of America
68. Humanity Consulting CIC, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
69. Indian Biogas Association, Gurugram, India
70. Institute of International Sustainable Development (ISD), Hong Kong, China
71. Institute of Public and Environmental Affairs (IPE), Beijing, China
72. International Desalination Association (IDA), Danvers, United States of America
73. International Disability and Development Consortium (IDDC), Brussels, Belgium
74. International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA), Versailles, France
75. International Fresh Produce Association (IFPA), Newark, United States of America
76. International Funders for Indigenous Peoples, Inc. (IFIP), Sacramento, United States of America
77. Iranian Energy Experts Club (IEEC), Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran
78. Iraqi Institution for Development (IID), Mosul, Iraq
79. Joseph Rainey Center for Public Policy, Inc., Washington D.C., United States of America
80. Just Atonement Inc. (JAI), New York City, United States of America
81. Kelp Forest Foundation, Zeist, Netherlands
82. Kids Fight Climate Change, Inc., New York, United States of America
83. La Verità Onlus - International Diplomacy (VOID), Florence, Italy
84. Long Duration Energy Storage Council (LDES Council), Brussels, Belgium
85. MRV Collective (MRVC), Sebastopol, United States of America
86. Myko Social Score Platform, Montreal, Canada
87. National Hemp Association (NHA), Washington D.C., United States of America
88. National Indigenous Disabled Women Association Nepal (NIDWAN), Lalitpur, Nepal
89. Natura 5 Association, Bucharest, Romania
90. Naturaleza para la Vida (NPV), Asunción, Paraguay
91. Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC), Toronto, Canada
92. Negative Emissions Platform ASBL (NEP), Brussels, Belgium
93. NEXT group, Seoul, Republic of Korea
94. Nipe Fagio (NF), Dar es Salaam, United Republic of Tanzania
95. Northwest Institute of Eco-Environment and Resources, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Lanzhou, China
96. OceanMind Limited, Didcot, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
97. Opportunity Green (OG), London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
98. Pan African Health Professionals Organisation (PAHPO), Cape Coast, Ghana
99. Panafrican Farmers Organisation (PAFO), Kigali, Rwanda
100. Partnership for Sustainable Development Nepal (PSD Nepal), Kathmandu, Nepal
101. PATH, Seattle, United States of America

102. Peace Track Initiative (PTI), Ottawa, Canada
103. PeaceLand Foundation, Beijing, China
104. Physicians Association for Nutrition e.V. (PAN International), Munich, Germany
105. POP Movement, Inc., New York, United States of America
106. Prasiddhi Environment and Social Welfare Society, Indore, India
107. Quantedge Advancement Initiative, Singapore, Singapore
108. Queensland Conservation Council (QCC), Brisbane, Australia
109. Rainforest Connection, Katy, United States of America
110. Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit (RMMRU), Dhaka, Bangladesh
111. Rema Burundi, Bujumbura, Burundi
112. Research-Intellectual Club "Dialogue of Generations" (RICDOG), Kutaisi, Georgia
113. Réseau des Femmes Africaines pour la Gestion Communautaire des Forêts (REFACOF), Edea, Cameroon
114. Resilient Cities Catalyst, Inc. (RCC), New York, United States of America
115. Rising Out Of The Ashes (ROOTA), Toronto, Canada
116. Science Europe AISBL (SE), Brussels, Belgium
117. Sequoia Climate Foundation, Irvine, United States of America
118. SETU, Dhaka, Bangladesh
119. Shanghai Ecocycle Circular Economy Research Center, Shanghai, China
120. Shine Africa Foundation (SAF-TESO), Soroti, Uganda
121. Small Islands Organisation (SMILO), Aix-en-Provence, France
122. SMC-Faith in Development, Bromma, Sweden
123. Southern and Eastern Africa Trade Information and Negotiations Institute Uganda (SEATINI), Kampala, Uganda
124. Stichting Circle Economy (CE), Amsterdam, Netherlands
125. Stichting Clim-Eat, Wageningen, Netherlands
126. Support to Health Public Association (SHPA), Baku, Azerbaijan
127. Swaniti Initiative, Houston, United States of America
128. Swedish Institute for Standards (SIS), Stockholm, Sweden
129. Talklove Africa Foundation (TAF), Port Harcourt, Nigeria
130. Tamdeen Youth Foundation (TYF), Sana'a City, Yemen
131. Tennessee State University (TSU), Nashville, United States of America
132. Terra-1530 (Terra), Vorniceni, Republic of Moldova
133. The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, Geneva, Switzerland
134. The Liaison Office (TLO), Kabul, Afghanistan
135. TheCityUK, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
136. U.S. Soybean Export Council, Inc. (USSEC), Chesterfield, United States of America
137. United Youth Initiative for Africa (UNIYIA), Accra, Ghana
138. Universal Peace and Violence Amelioration Centre (UPVAC), Jos, Nigeria
139. University of Leicester, Leicester, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
140. University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg (Wits), Johannesburg, South Africa
141. University of Udine (UNIUD), Udine, Italy
142. Venatata, Tel Aviv, Israel
143. Waterfront Alliance, Inc., New York, United States of America
144. Well Grounded Limited, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
145. Wilderness Foundation, Port Elizabeth, South Africa
146. Woman, Development, Future Public Union (WDFPU), Baku, Azerbaijan
147. World Historic and Cultural Canal Cities Cooperation Organization, Yangzhou, China
148. Yemen Family Care Association (YFCA), Sana'a, Yemen
149. Youth Council in Action for Nation (YOUTH CAN), Butwal, Nepal
150. Youth Foundation of Bangladesh (YFB), Dhaka, Bangladesh
151. Youth Group on Protection of Environment (YGPE), Khujand, Tajikistan
152. Zalul – Environmental Association, Ramat Gan, Israel
153. Zenaga Foundation gGmbH, Sinsheim, Germany
154. Zero Emissions Ship Technology Association (ZESTAs), Lochgilphead, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Annex II

Admitted observer organizations that have changed their name since admission as observers at sessions of the Conference of the Parties

[English only]

<i>Former name</i>	<i>New name</i>
Beijing Emissions Trading Association, Beijing, China	Beijing Green Finance Association, Beijing, China
Energy Community, Vienna, Austria	Energy Community Secretariat, Vienna, Austria
Purdue University - Purdue Climate Change Research Center (PCCRC), West Lafayette, United States of America	Trustees of Purdue University (Purdue University), West Lafayette, United States of America
R20 - Regions of Climate Action, Geneva, Switzerland	Catalytic Finance Foundation (Catalytic), Geneva, Switzerland
Russian Carbon Fund, Moscow, Russian Federation	Ecological Projects Development and Support Fund (Eurasian Carbon Fund), Moscow, Russian Federation
Smart Energy for Europe Platform gGmbH (SEFEP), Berlin, Germany	Agora Think Tanks gGmbH, Berlin, Germany
Transport 2000 Québec, Montréal, Canada	Trajectoire Québec, Montréal, Canada
Union québécoise pour la conservation de la nature, Montréal, Canada	Nature Québec, Montréal, Canada
World Coal Association (WCA), London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Future Coal Limited (FC), London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland