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MESSAGE TO PARTIES AND OBSERVERS

United Nations Climate Change Conference, SB 58 Pilot Online Registration System - Virtual-only Participation

The secretariat refers to the forthcoming fifty-eighth sessions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SB 58) to be held from 5 – 15 June 2023 at the [World Conference Center Bonn](#) (WCCB), Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2, 53113 Bonn, Germany and wishes to inform Parties and observer organizations that the online registration system (ORS) (available at <https://onlinereg.unfccc.int/>), now provides Parties and observer organizations access to the Virtual-only tab to register participants to attend sessions virtually. The Virtual-only registration option has been made available now on a pilot basis for SB 58. This option will remain available until the confirmation deadline 2 June 2023 23:59 Central European Summer Time (CEST).

The Virtual-only registration enables virtual only (online) access to delegates by providing access to UNFCCC online platform for SB 58 to attend or follow meetings remotely as applicable. Delegates registered for ‘Virtual-only’ participation are registered for the full period of the session and will be able to access the online platform for the duration of SB 58.

Please note that the delegates who have been registered already by National Focal Points (NFPs) and Designated Contact Points (DCPs) for SB 58 will be able to participate physically in-person and in addition will also have access to the online platform. The NFPs and DCPs will also have the flexibility to swap confirmed participants in their delegation between ‘Onsite’ and ‘Virtual-only’ registrations through the new ‘Swap Participants Request’ function located in the ‘Communication’ tab of the ORS before the deadline mentioned above.

Information on how to use the new Virtual-only registration in ORS can be found here:

For Parties: <https://unfccc.int/documents/628130>

For United Nations and related organizations, and specialized agencies:
<https://unfccc.int/documents/628129>

For NGO/IGOs: <https://unfccc.int/documents/628131>

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Please refer to [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) for 'Virtual-only' registration under Information for Participants \(IFP\), Registration section.](#)

The Virtual-only registration pilot option is being introduced to help enable a broader and more inclusive participation based on requests received from Parties and observer organizations in the past conferences. We kindly request you to submit all related requests and queries using the 'Communication' tab within the ORS. The secretariat welcomes your feedback on this initiative to further enhance the features for future sessions.

