

2024 SDG 16 Conference

Trusteeship Council Chamber, UNHQ

6 May 2024

Information note for participants

1. Overview

Dates and times: The meeting will take place on 6 May 2024, from 10.00 to 13.00 and from 15.00 to 18.00 hrs. EST.

Format: The meeting will be held in person. It will also be webcast in full on UN Web TV (<https://webtv.un.org/en>).

Venue: The meeting will be held in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, United Nations General Assembly Building, New York.

2. Agenda and documentation

The draft programme, concept note, and other information will be available at <https://publicadministration.desa.un.org/capacity-development/sdg16-conference/sdg16-high-level-conference-2024>

3. Access for registered participants

Registration is required for this meeting. Registered participants will be issued a UN special event pass. The passes will be distributed by UN DESA/ DPIDG staff on 6 May from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at the following location:

By the entrance of the UN Visitors Centre, located in the east side of 1st Avenue between 45th Street and 46th Street.

Please present a government-issued picture ID for verification in order to receive your pass.



4. Arrival and check-in

To enter the UN General Assembly Building, you will need to go through security screening in the UN Visitors Centre located on 1st Avenue between 45th Street and 46th Street. (Due to security measures, please do not bring luggage to the UN.)

After the security check, you will see the entrance to the UN General Assembly Building to your right.

5. Interpretation

Interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish will be available.

6. Accessibility

The United Nations Headquarters is accessible.

In the Trusteeship Council Chamber, all seats and tables on the main floor are fully accessible and all adviser seats are removable. Participants who require accessible seating are kindly requested to notify DPIDG (cai2@un.org) in advance of the meeting. For speakers, such notification should also indicate the expected date and time of their intervention.

The United Nations Accessibility Centre offers assistive information and communications technology to support those with auditory, visual or physical impairments. Assistive

devices are available on site and on loan to participants with disabilities. The Accessibility Centre is located in the Conference Building (Room S-1B-032 on Level 1B, near the Secretariat Building escalators). For more information, please visit: <https://www.un.org/accessibilitycentre/>

Please reach out to the organizers for all accessibility inquiries. Every effort will be made to assist with reasonable accommodation to the extent possible.

7. Hotel accommodation

Participants will need to secure hotel accommodation in New York City. All participants are expected to make their own accommodation arrangements. Finding a reasonably priced hotel in New York City can be a challenge, therefore it is recommended that you start as early as possible. A credit card will normally be required for reservation.

8. Local transportation

All participants are expected to make their own local transportation arrangements. Transportation information for the three major airports serving New York City can be found online at <http://www.panynj.gov/airports/> or by calling Air-Ride phone: 1-800-247-7433 (toll free number within the U.S.).

Yellow New York taxis (see <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/tlc/passengers/taxi-fare.page> for fare information regarding airport trips) and airport buses (<https://www.nycairporter.com/> and <https://www.newarkairportexpress.com/>) are readily available from the airports to Grand Central Station, which is in walking distance to the United Nations and can be booked online in advance. Local transportation options, including subway, buses, and MetroCard related information can be found at <http://www.mta.info/>

9. Facilities

Dining facilities, ATMs, and the UN emergency medical service (fifth floor) are located in the UN Secretariat Building.

Participants are responsible for making arrangements for lunch and coffee breaks. There are a variety of options on site at the UN and outside the UN. Please see map attached for locations in Annex 1.

10. COVID-19 and other health measures

The use of masks throughout the premises is voluntary.

Anyone who develops symptoms consistent with COVID-19 should test before entering the premises or, if on site, immediately leave the premises, isolate and test (either by antigen or PCR test).

Those who test **negative** may end isolation, but are encouraged to get a PCR test, to ensure that the negative result is a true negative.

Those who test **positive** should isolate. In accordance with local guidelines:

You can leave isolation if you have no fever for 24 hours without taking fever-reducing medicine and other COVID-19 symptoms are getting better.

Once you have returned to normal activities, take precautions for the next 5 days. If you never had symptoms but tested positive for COVID-19 or another respiratory virus, take the same precautions for the next 5 days. Among the recommended precautions are wearing a well-fitting mask, distancing from others and practicing good hygiene. The full list, along with additional information and resources, can be found on the [website of the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene](#).

11. Contacts

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Annex 1: Map of Restaurants near the UN

