

REGIONAL FORUM

ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE UNECE REGION

2-3 APRIL 2025 | PALAIS DES NATIONS | GENEVA



Side Events Timetable

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APRIL

Implementing Sustainable Infrastructure and Nature-based Solutions (...)
Opportunities and Co-benefits Based on UNECE Environmental Performance Reviews
9:00 - 11:30

Balancing home and farm: Unlocking opportunities for women in rural areas of Europe and Central Asia
FAO, and UNFPA
13:00 - 14:30

Turning the Tide on Plastic Pollution in the Mediterranean: From Knowledge to Action
IUCN Centre for Mediterranean Cooperation
13:15 - 14:45

Addressing Environmental Risk Factors for the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases (NCDs)
UNEP, GEN, WECF, and HEAL
13:15 - 14:45

Young People Driving Transformation: Education for Biodiversity and SDGs in Action
UNEP, GEN, CBD, UNESCO, UNECE, IUCN, FEE, and Government of Cyprus
15:15 - 16:15

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APRIL

Productive Employment Triangle: Government, CSO and Private Sector Pathways for Sustainable Growth in Tajikistan
Secretariat for NDC Tajikistan
08:30 - 09:45

The Pact for the Future and Declaration on Future Generations: Unpacking the Opportunities (...)
UNEP, GEN, UNYAC, and UNESCO Youth Climate Action Network
08:45 - 09:45

Triple Helix for the SDGs: Bridging Academia, Industry, and Government to Foster Youth Entrepreneurship
Junior Enterprises Global & Switzerland
13:15 - 14:45

Decent Work and Young People: Challenges, Their Impact and Strive For A Better Future
Global Shapers Krakow Hub, European Youth Forum, and AEGEE-Europe
13:15 - 14:45

In person only: Status of Food Security and Nutrition in Europe and Central Asia
FAO in partnership with IFAD, UNECE, UNDP, WHO, UNICEF and WMO
13:15 - 14:45

Women Leading Change - Shaping a Sustainable Future in Fashion
United Nations Alliance for Sustainable Fashion
13:15 - 14:45

To find out more about each event, please click on the corresponding box (side event with underlined title is hybrid)

Home Alone and Highly Vulnerable: Why Women are at the Greatest Risk on Energy Poverty
Habitat for Humanity International, and EnAct
13:15 - 14:45

Implementing Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE): Strategies for Success and Sustainable Impact
L'Associacio de Drets Sexuals i Reproductius and Catesco
13:15 - 14:45

Feminists Holding the Line: Defending Rights, Democracy, and Climate Justice (...)
Women's Major Group, WECF, Holding the Line, LGBTI Stakeholder Group
13:15 - 14:45

In person only: Bridging the Digital Gender Divide for Women's Economic Empowerment
Permanent Mission of Armenia, Slovenia, Spain and the ITU
13:15 - 14:45

Enhancing Sustainable Tourism through Ecosystem-Based Climate Action
IUCN, Institute for Tourism, Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature
13:15 - 14:45

Resilient Voices: Civil Society SDG Advocacy Under Pressure in the UNECE Region
SDG Watch Europe, SDG LENS, CSDR
13:15 - 14:45

In person only: Regional Cooperation in Disaster Financial Risk Sharing in the Context of SEE2030 Strategy
The Regional Cooperation Council, Greece, and Romania
13:15 - 14:45

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Acceleration and Transformation: Re-writing the Case for Impact Investing in Nature-based Solutions at Scale

Geneva Rethinking Finance Collaborative

8:30 - 9:45

WSIS+20 Review

UN Digital Transformation Group for Europe and Central Asia

9:00 - 9:40

From Planning to Action: Accelerating Voluntary Local Reviews (VLRs)

UNECE, UN-Habitat, UNDESA, and UCLG

13:15 - 14:45

Leveraging Transformative Innovation Policy to address regional challenges

Transformative Innovation Policy Consortium

13:15 - 14:45

Education and Well-Being for Learners: A Dynamic Nexus for Equitable and Resilient Societies

UNESCO

13:15 - 14:45

Empowering Roma Women: Advancing Gender Equality and Inclusion (...)

Global Forum of Communities Discriminated on Work and Descent, and ERGO Network

13:15 - 14:45

To attend the Main Sessions, Please register [here](#)

MAIN SESSIONS 10:00-13:00

From Local to Global: Russian Regional and NGO Contributions to the SDGs 3, 5, 8, and 14

United Nations Association of Russia

14:15 - 15:45

Unlocking the Potential of an Ageing Workforce

UNECE, and IUCN Centre for Population Unit

13:15 - 14:45

Fostering Sustainable and Inclusive Blue Tourism Contribution to SDGs

Eco-Union, IDDRI, and IUCN Centre for Mediterranean Cooperation

13:15 - 14:45

In person only: Re-imagining the Future of Women in Food Systems: Harnessing Science, Technology (...)

FAO, UN Food Systems Coordination Hub, IBC-SFS, UNECE

13:15 - 14:45

Women and Girls and Our Human Rights: SDG Indicators and Data Collection

Women's Platform for Action International, European Network of Migrant Women, and Swedish Women's Lobby

13:15 - 14:45

In person only: Fostering Resilient Partnerships for Inclusive Crisis Response

UN Women

13:15 - 14:45

Integrating Biodiversity and Governance: Building A Mission for Sustainable Development

IUCN, IrRADIARE, Region of Sardinia, and Region of Crete

13:15 - 14:45

Rising Above the Crisis: Financing the Future of Civil Society and Sustainable Development

ECE-RCEM, and its members

13:15 - 14:45

In person only: Unlocking Sustainable Intra-Regional Economic Development through Digital Trade Facilitation

ITC

13:15 - 14:45