

## 5<sup>th</sup> Africa Animal Welfare Conference – Action 2021

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## Stockholm 1975- FIRST UN Conference on the Human Environment

The United Nations Conference on the Human Environment = also known as **the Stockholm Conference**, was the first UN conference on the environment and was held between **5 and 16 June 1972** in Stockholm. Some 113 countries attended, and participants adopted a series of principles on the environment, including the <u>Stockholm Declaration and Action Plan for the Human Environment</u>.

The Stockholm Declaration adopted **26 Principles-** related to the environment and conservation and the challenges and threats that humanity felt already then. And almost 50 years later all those principles expressed still seem to be valid-

#### Principle 4

Man has a special responsibility to safeguard and wisely manage the heritage of wildlife and its habitat, which are now gravely imperilled by a combination of adverse factors. Nature conservation, including wildlife, must therefore receive importance in planning for economic development.

Another result of the meeting was the **establishment of UNEP** and the **World Environment Day**, held annually on 5 June



## Stockholm + 50

## 2022

- Stockholm+50: a healthy planet for the prosperity of all our responsibility, our opportunity" is an international meeting, hosted by the Government of Sweden, with the support from Kenya and convened by the United Nations General Assembly to be held in Stockholm, Sweden, from 2-3 June 2022.
- It will **commemorate 50** years since the 1972 <u>UN Conference on the Human Environment</u>, which made the environment a pressing global issue for the first time.
- and serve as a contribution to accelerate action towards a more sustainable society.
- its outcome documents will be important contributions to the environmental dimension of sustainable development to accelerate the implementation of commitments in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development, including a sustainable recovery from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.



## The Stockholm+50 mandate

## Enabling resolution (A/RES/75/280 of 24 May 2021) for the international meeting:

- Theme: "Stockholm+50: a healthy planet for the prosperity of all our responsibility, our opportunity"
- UNEP was requested to "serve as the focal point for providing support to the organization of the international meeting, with appropriate support from the Secretariat and other relevant United Nations entities."
- The conference will reinforce the messages and the outcomes of the event to commemorate UNEP's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary (<u>UNEP@50</u>), which will have taken place in March 2022, in Nairobi.
- In three leadership dialogues will reflect on the urgent need for actions towards a healthy planet and prosperity of all, achieving a sustainable and inclusive recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, and accelerating the implementation of the environmental dimension of Sustainable Development in the context of the Decade of Action.
- Inger Andersen, Executive Director of UNEP, who was on 11 October appointed by UN Secretary-General António Guterres as the Secretary-General of the Stockholm+50 international meeting, said: "We need to urgently work to transform our economies and societies, but our branches will spread only as far as our roots are deep. By remembering Stockholm at 50, we also remember how the world came together to <a href="healthe-ozone layer in 2013">healthe-ozone layer in 2013</a>, <a href="phase out leaded fuel this year">phase out leaded fuel this year</a> and <a href="healthe-ozone layer in 2013">stop endangered species from going extinct</a>. By convening in Stockholm, we also recommit to human and planetary health, responsibility, prosperity, equality and peace as we have seen only too clearly in <a href="COVID-19">COVID-19</a>."



### Theme:

# Stockholm+50: A Healthy Planet for the Prosperity of All our Responsibility, Our Opportunity

### Principles of engagement



OUR INTERGENERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY



OUR IMPLEMENTING OPPORTUNITY



INTERCONNECTED AND INCLUSIVE



# Stockholm+50: Our 'Implementing Opportunity' for the coming 50 years

Pathways towards a healthy planet for the prosperity of all

- Regeneration: of nature and ecosystems, social and community resilience and institutions of solidarity; (LD1)
- Recovery: from COVID, social and environmental and implementation deficits, from loss of jobs and income, through enhancing capacity and financing; through skill building opportunities for youth and vulnerable populations; (LD2)
- Rebalance: relations with nature, resource use and access, unequal footprints and access to income, repurposing subsidies, aligning finance and environment; (LD2)
- Renewal: stronger multilateralism; focus on aligning private and public agendas including financial, economic, normative, and others; thinking around global public goods; (LD3)
- Reimagine: a common future through listening and responding to the voices of current and future generations.

#### <u>Leadership Dialogue 1</u>:

Reflecting on the urgent need for actions to achieve a healthy planet and prosperity of all

#### <u>Leadership dialogue 2</u>:

Achieving a sustainable and inclusive recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic

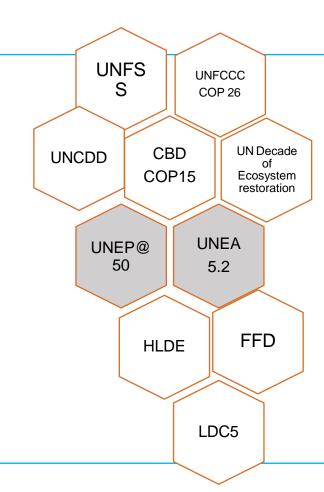
#### Leadership dialogue 3:

Accelerating the implementation of the environmental dimension of Sustainable Development in the context of the Decade of Action



# Global processes in 2021/2022 – drawing in key messages into the Stockholm+50 process

What messages from the 2020/21 and ongoing global processes can feed into the S+50 international meeting?





## Outcome of Stockholm+50

- Recommendations that contribute to the environmental dimension of sustainable development to accelerate the implementation of commitments in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development, including a sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- A summary of the discussions held during the international meeting presented by the Co-Chairs

## An inclusive process towards Stockholm + 50



✓ Modalities resolution is adopted; (10/9)

#### Oct 2021

- ✓ Thought piece for concept note for meeting prepared;
- ✓ Secretary General of the international meeting (SGIM) is appointed.

#### Nov 2021

✓ Virtual meeting of 3 informal working groups

#### Jan 2022

✓ Virtual meeting of 3 informal working groups

## Feb / Mar

- ✓ Draft background papers for leadership include inputs from UNEA5.2
- the SGIM

are readied

the prep meeting

#### End March/ 2022 **Early April**

- dialogues which and UNEP@50
- √ final review by
- ✓ Circulation for

## **Apr 2022**

✓ Preparatory meeting (tentatively April 1, New York)

> √ Papers readied for translation by the Secretariat.

√ Finalize draft

papers for

leadership

dialogues,

considering

discussions

preparatory meeting.

during the

background

#### **May 2022**

✓ Concept note and papers languages.

background upload in the Conference website in all 6 UN official

2-3 June 2022

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COMMUNICATIONS

& OUTREACH

### PATHWAYS TO LEADERSHIP DIALOGUES

National and Regional Consultation **Guidelines** finalized

Stockholm 49 conference

**Regional and National Consultations to feed into the** background document

**Private sector engagement** 

**SEI/CEEW** report preparations

**UN engagement (EMG)** 



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**Youth Engagement** 

## MGS engagement on the way to SH+50

Major Groups and Stakeholders (MGS) are actively contributing to all of the above-mentioned processes

Prior to UNEA 5.2, MGS will organize the Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum, as well as a Youth Environment Assembly, to prepare inputs for UNEA 5.2 and UNEP@50 and Stockholm+50

MGS - in particular, youth organisations and the NGOs have also actively started their preparations for Stockholm+50 in a cluster group-

UNEP is supporting stakeholder consultations on Stockholm+50 (in conjunction with the RCMs)

- Latin America and the Caribbean, Oct 2021, West Asia (15+16 Nov 21), Europe (14th December).
- Africa consultation: to be planned
- National consultations planned by UNDP
- Global Surveys to be shared virtually

Outreach to all participants via ANAW and the conference organizers to reach out to a maximum of diverse stakeholders and networks.

## UNEP@50 and Stockholm+50

Mutually reinforcing, avoiding overlap and duplication (A/RES/75/326)

- Both will speak to a renewed, reinvigorated multilateralism that is inclusive and networked as articulated in "Our Common Agenda" and accelerate the achievement of the 2030 Agenda
- They will both complement and contribute to the strengthening of the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda:
  - UNEP@50 focuses on promoting the environmental science-policy interface and strengthening UNEP's role as the global environmental authority within the UN system
  - Stockholm+50 focuses on urgent actions for a healthy planet and an inclusive COVID-19 recovery in the context of the Decade of Action for sustainable development.
  - Stockholm+50 is a commemoration of the 50 years since the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment and its outcome documents will serve to reinforce the 1972 Principles

## Thank you

For further information, please visit: <a href="https://www.stockholm50.global/">https://www.stockholm50.global/</a>

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