

EXPECTATIONS OF UNEA - 5

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Roadmap

SDG & Agenda 2063 → UNEA-1, 2, 3 & 4 → UNEA-5

- Reference 2030 Agenda & African Agenda 2063
- Identify cross-cutting issues from UNEA-1, 2, 3 & 4
- Reference letter of President of UNEA-5
- Contribute to decision on theme of UNEA-5

Milestones

Consultations | Contributions | Support

- Theme of the Assembly — deadline 31 December 2019
- Ministerial Declaration — deadline Q4 of 2020
- DRAFT resolutions by Member States - deadline Q4 of 2020

Resources

Instruments that give mandate to Civil Society Engagement

1. Ministerial Declaration of UNEA-4
2. Relevant Resolutions of previous UN Environment Assemblies – 1, 2, 3 & 4.
3. Relevant Sustainable Development Goals
4. Implementation Plans e.g. “Towards a Pollution-Free Planet”

PROCESSES

1. Regional and Sub-Regional Consultations
2. Identify Member State(s) to Champion Civil Society Engagement
3. Dimensions: Science | Policy | Legal | Technology | Community
4. Effective Public Communication & Participation

UNEA-4 Ministerial Declaration - 1

Para #1:

- Advancing innovative solutions
- Sustainable & resilient societies

Para #2:

- Re-affirms poverty eradication
- Promotes sustainable patterns of consumption & production
- Reflects on “The Future We Want” & 2030 Agenda

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Para #3: Highlights Several Concerns:

- Increasing pollution
- Adverse effects of climate change
- Loss of biodiversity
- Widespread environmental degradation

Para #4: Policy development & Implementation to achieve:

- Poverty eradication
- Sustainable environment & natural resources management

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Para #5: Scales up efforts to engage all stakeholders as appropriate:

- Civil society & citizens
- Indigenous people & local communities
- Private sector & academia

Para #6: Coherent policy framework & law enforcement

Para #7: Develop realistic post-2020 global biodiversity framework

Para # 10: requests Executive Director to report back on progress

Theme of UNEA-5: Options

UNEA-5 President in a letter of 8 July 2019 to all stakeholders, invited views from major groups on the topic of the theme of Fifth Assembly.

President is gunning for a theme that will pave the way for concrete and action-oriented outcomes at the Assembly.

- Option #1: *Investing in Nature-based Solutions*
- Option #2: *Blue Planet: Transformative actions to protect the planet and enhance well-being*
- Option #3: *Addressing the water–energy–food nexus for sustainability*

THANK YOU