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## Admission of observers: organizations applying for admission as observers

#### Note by the secretariat

- The admission of intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) as observers at sessions of the Conference of the Parties (COP) is governed by Article 7, paragraph 6, of the Convention, which provides that, inter alia:
  - "Any body or agency, whether national or international, governmental or nongovernmental, which is qualified in matters covered by the Convention, and which has informed the secretariat of its wish to be represented at a session of the Conference of the Parties as an observer, may be so admitted unless at least one third of the Parties present object."
- COP 1 agreed1 that the secretariat should invite to the future sessions of the COP all 2. IGOs and NGOs admitted at COP 1 and at future sessions unless an objection was raised to any particular organization in accordance with the Convention and the draft rules of procedure being applied.2 Consequently, the secretariat has notified all organizations admitted to previous sessions of the COP (with the exception of those admitted to a single session only) of the date and venue of COP 30 in accordance with rule 8 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, without prejudging decisions that may be taken by the COP. Only new applicants need to apply for admission.
- The secretariat has prepared, for consideration by the COP, a list of new applicant NGOs (see annex I) that have expressed a wish to be represented at sessions of the COP as observers and satisfy the requirements set out in (1) the Convention, (2) the draft rules of procedure being applied and (3) established practice. No IGOs submitted eligible applications.
- In drawing up the list, the secretariat has taken due account of the provisions of Article 7, paragraph 6, of the Convention and rules 7-8 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, as well as of established practice, of which the Subsidiary Body for Implementation took note, whereby IGOs and NGOs are required to provide proof of competence in matters related to the Convention and to confirm their independent juridical personality and nonprofit and/or tax-exempt status in a Member State of the United Nations, of one of its specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, or in a State party to the Statute of the International Court of Justice.
- While the secretariat was unable to confirm the full compliance of the 17 organizations from the host country of COP 30 listed in annex II with the requirements

FCCC/CP/1995/7, para. 22.

FCCC/CP/1996/2.

FCCC/SBI/2004/10, para. 100.

referred to in paragraph 3 above, the secretariat has prepared the list to be considered by the COP for admission to COP 30 only with a view to ensuring the adequate representation of observer organizations from the host country at that session. This follows past practice,<sup>4</sup> where organizations from host countries that were not recommended for admission as observers at all future UNFCCC sessions were admitted for a specific session.

- 6. Annex III provides details of admitted observer organizations that notified the secretariat they had legally changed their name as a result of rebranding or merging with another organization during the reporting period, between July 2024 and May 2025. In such instances, organizations are required to provide information in line with the aforementioned established practice and were deemed qualified to maintain observer status under their new name.
- 7. The members of the Bureau received the lists of new applicants for their review and agreed to recommend the organizations listed to the COP for admission. These organizations have been advised of their provisional admittance status on the understanding that the final authority for their admission as observers rests with the COP. COP 30 is invited, at its 1st meeting, to accord observer status to the NGOs listed in annex I, to accord observer status for COP 30 only to the NGOs listed in annex II and to note the name changes of the admitted observers listed in annex III.
- 8. With respect to rules 6–7 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, a single process is to be used for the admission of observer organizations to sessions of the COP, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol<sup>5</sup> and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement,<sup>6</sup> with decisions on the admission of observer organizations being taken by the COP.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See, for example, document <u>FCCC/CP/2016/3</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Decision <u>36/CMP.1</u>, para. 2(c)(ii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Decision <u>2/CMA.1</u>, para. (c)(ii).

#### Annex I

## List of new applicant non-governmental organizations for admission as observers for consideration at the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties

[English only]

- 1. Abeeólica, São Paulo, Brazil
- 2. African Development Association (A.D.A), Limbe, Cameroon
- 3. African Parks Network, Bryanston, South Africa
- 4. Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 5. AlMortaga Foundation for Development (AlMortaga), Baghdad, Iraq
- 6. Amazon CharitableTrust, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- 7. Amazonia Acu Institute (IAÇU), Manaus, Brazil
- 8. American Arab Intellectual Property Association, Grand Rapids, United States of America
- American College of Environmental Lawyers Incorporated (ACOEL), Washington, D.C., United States of America
- Anti-Slavery International (ASI), London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- 11. Articulation of Indigenous Peoples and Organizations of the Northeast, Minas Gerais and Espírito Santo (APOINME), Olinda, Brazil
- 12. Asociación Civil Jovenes por el Clima, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 13. Association of Human Rights. DESCA Observatory (Observatori DESCA), Barcelona, Spain
- 14. Association of Indigenous Women Suraras of Tapajós (AMIST), Santarém, Brazil
- Association of the Interstate Movement of Babassu Coconut Breakers (MIQCB), São Luis, Brazil
- 16. Association Swiss Youth for Climate (SYFC), Geneva, Switzerland
- 17. Brazil Human Rights Fund (FBDH), São Paulo, Brazil
- 18. Brazilian Agribusiness Association (ABAG), São Paulo, Brazil
- 19. Brazilian Aluminum Association (ABAL), São Paulo, Brazil
- Brazilian Association for the Development of Nuclear Activities (ABDAN), Rio de Janeiro,
  Brazil
- 21. Brazilian Cerrado Institute (ICB), Mateiros, Brazil
- 22. Brazilian Coalition on Climate, Forests and Agriculture Support Institute, São Paulo, Brazil
- 23. Brazilian Environmental Education Fund (FunBEA), São Carlos, Brazil
- 24. Brazilian Food Industry Association (ABIA), São Paulo, Brazil
- 25. Brazilian Solar Photovoltaic Energy Association (ABSOLAR), São Paulo, Brazil
- 26. Bring Back Green Foundation, Trivandrum, India
- 27. Canola Council of Canada (CCC), Winnipeg, Canada
- 28. Carbon Gap LTD, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- 29. CBM Global Disability Inclusion Association, Amstelveen, Kingdom of the Netherlands
- 30. CCS Brazil Association, São Paulo, Brazil
- 31. Center for Studies of Labor Relations and Inequalities (CEERT), São Paulo, Brazil
- 32. Centre Africain de Recherche et de Formation en Synécoculture (CARFS), Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
- 33. City Laboratory, Belém, Brazil
- 34. Clear Vision Impacts NFP, Kenilworth, United States of America
- 35. Climate of Politics, São Paulo, Brazil
- 36. Collective Rights Institute (IDC), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 37. Community Action for Food Security Ltd/Gte (CAFS Africa), Abuja, Nigeria
- 38. Conferencia Nacional de Obispos de Brasil (CNBB), Brasilia, Brazil
- 39. Consejo Colombiano de Construcción Sostenible (CCCS), Bogotá, Colombia
- 40. Corporación Privada para el Desarrollo de Aisén (CODESA), Coyhaique, Chile
- 41. Cristalino Ecological Foundation (FEC), Alta Floresta, Brazil
- 42. Democracy and Sustainability Institute (IDS Brasil), São Paulo, Brazil
- 43. DRC Climate Change Network (RCCRDC), Goma, Democratic Republic of the Congo
- 44. E+ Energy Transition Institute (E+ Institute), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 45. Ecoarts Amazonia (ECOARTS), Sinop, Brazil
- 46. Ecumenical Service Coordination (CESE), Salvador, Brazil

- 47. Environment and Culture Partners (ECP), Tacoma, United States of America
- 48. European Federation of Psychologists' Associations (EFPA AISBL), Brussels, Belgium
- 49. Federal University of Mato Grosso do Sul (UFMS), Campo Grande, Brazil
- 50. Federal University of Para (UFPA), Belém, Brazil
- 51. Food and Culture Institute (ICC), São Paulo, Brazil
- 52. Friends of the Earth (HK), Hong Kong, China
- 53. Frontiers of Development Institute, São Paulo, Brazil
- 54. Fundación acciona.org, Madrid, Spain
- 55. Fundación Ambition Loop (AL), Santiago, Chile
- Fundación Dominicana de Estudios Marinos (FUNDEMAR), Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
- 57. Fundación Ética Climática y Desarrollo, Córdoba Capital, Argentina
- 58. Fundación Nueva Generación Argentina, Rosario, Argentina
- 59. Fundación Quantum, San José, Costa Rica
- 60. Fundación Solon, La Paz, Plurinational State of Bolivia
- 61. Future Development Foundation, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- 62. Geledés-Black Women's Institute (Geledés), São Paulo, Brazil
- 63. GeoLAB Research Institute (GeoLAB), Rio Branco, Brazil
- 64. Global Environmental and Climate Conservation Initiative (GECCI), Bauchi, Nigeria
- 65. Green Development Advocates (GDA), Yaoundé, Cameroon
- 66. Green Solutions International SKN Incorporated (GSI), Basseterre, Saint Kitts and Nevis
- 67. Group of Institutes Foundations and Business, São Paulo, Brazil
- 68. Grupo Sunu de Accion Intercultural (SUNU), Asunción, Paraguay
- 69. Gulf Petrochemical & Chemicals Association (GPCA), Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- 70. Health Finance Institute (HFI), Washington, D.C., United States of America
- 71. Institute for Essential Services Reform (IESR), Jakarta Selatan, Indonesia
- 72. Instituto de Abogados para la Protección del Medio Ambiente (INSAPROMA), Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
- 73. International Community Action Network Interaction, São Paulo, Brazil
- 74. International Energy Initiative (IEI Brasil), Campinas, Brazil
- 75. International Youth Ambassadors Foundation (IYAF), Amman, Jordan
- 76. Jagrata Juba Shangha (JJS), Khulna, Bangladesh
- 77. Kiel Institute for the World Economy (IfW) Leibniz Center for Research on Global Economic Challenges (IfW Kiel), Kiel, Germany
- 78. Land of Rights (TDD), Curitiba, Brazil
- 79. Lanka Fundamental Rights Organization (LFRO), Seeduwa, Sri Lanka
- 80. Latin American Climate Lawyers Initiative for Mobilizing Action (LACLIMA), Sorocaba,
- 81. Mapinguari Institute (IMAPIN), Macapá, Brazil
- 82. Moroccan Association Green Economy for the Environment and Climate Justice (GREEN-GEA-EC), Kenitra, Morocco
- 83. Movement of Pimpadores, São Paulo, Brazil
- 84. Nahda Makers Organization (NMO), Aden, Yemen
- 85. National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC), Washington, D.C., United States of America
- 86. National Foundation for Development and Humanitarian Response (NAHR), Sanaa, Yemen
- 87. National Rural Support Programme (NRSP), Islamabad, Pakistan
- 88. Nature-Based Solutions Brazil Alliance Association (NBS Brazil Alliance), São Paulo, Brazil
- 89. NatureFinance, Geneva, Switzerland
- 90. Northwest University (NWU), Xi'an, China
- 91. Nuestro Derecho al Futuro, A.C., Mexico City, Mexico
- 92. Nupef Institute, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 93. One Young World (OYW), London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- 94. Pact Against Hunger, São Paulo, Brazil
- 95. Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PRGMEA), Lahore, Pakistan
- 96. Panamazonian Ecclesial Network (REPAM-Brasil), Brasilia, Brazil
- 97. Paradigm Leadership Support Initiative (PLSI), Abuja, Nigeria
- 98. Partnership Platform for the Amazon (PPA), São Paulo, Brazil
- 99. Peace Movement Foundation Pax Netherlands (PAX), Utrecht, Kingdom of the Netherlands
- 100. Peregum Black Reference Institute, São Paulo, Brazil

- 101. PerifaConnection, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 102. Profonanpe, Lima, Peru
- 103. Public Affairs Research Institute (PARI), Johannesburg, South Africa
- 104. Public Association "Angel", Atbasar, Kazakhstan
- 105. Quintessa, São Paulo, Brazil
- 106. Regenerative Society Foundation (RSF), Parma, Italy
- 107. Root Capital Inc., Cambridge, United States of America
- 108. Salvaterra Institute (IST), Ananindeua, Brazil
- 109. Socio-Environmental Institute of the Upper Paraguay River Basin SOS Pantanal (SOS Pantanal), Campo Grande, Brazil
- 110. Stevenson Holistic Care Foundation (SHCF), Port Harcourt, Nigeria
- 111. Stichting Metabolic Institute, Amsterdam, Kingdom of the Netherlands
- 112. Sustainability Projects for Youths Initiatives (SustyVibes), Lagos, Nigeria
- 113. Talanoa Institute, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 114. The Ashley Lashley Foundation (ALF), Bridgetown, Barbados
- 115. The Land Alliance Inc. (GLA), Washington, D.C., United States of America
- 116. The Soil Solution (TSS), Banjul, Gambia
- 117. Tucunduba Institute, Belém, Brazil
- 118. U.S. Grains Council (USGC), Washington, D.C., United States of America
- 119. UK Finance Limited, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- 120. University of Chicago, Chicago, United States of America
- 121. UPA Développement International (UPA DI), Longueuil, Canada
- 122. Vale Fund, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 123. Veredas Institute, São Paulo, Brazil
- 124. Water and Sanitation Institute (IAS), São Paulo, Brazil
- 125. Youth Alliance for Environment (YAE), Kathmandu, Nepal

#### Annex II

## List of new applicant organizations recommended for admission to the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties only

[English only]

- 1. Amazon Bioeconomy Business Association (ASSOBIO), Belém, Brazil
- 2. Amazonian Youth Cooperation for Sustainable Development (COJOVEM), Belém, Brazil
- 3. Asociación de Desarrollo Agrícola Interestatal (ADAI), São Paulo, Brazil
- 4. Asociación de Guardianes del Pantanal MT y MS AGUAPAN (RED PANTANEIRA–AGUAPAN), Várzea Grande, Brazil
- 5. Brazilian Micro and Small Business Support Service (SEBRAE), Brasilia, Brazil
- 6. Chico Mendes Committee (CCM), Rio Branco, Brazil
- 7. ELAS+ Giving for Change (ELAS+), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 8. Escola de Ativismo, São Paulo, Brazil
- 9. Federal University of Uberlandia (FUU), Uberlandia, Brazil
- 10. Fundación Vovó Del Mangue (FVM), Maragogipe, Brazil
- 11. Institute National Pact for the Eradication of Slave Labor (InPACTO), São Paulo, Brazil
- 12. Instituto Pragma, Brasilia, Brazil
- 13. Living Trees Institute, São Paulo, Brazil
- 14. National Confederation of Rural Workers and Family Farmers (CONTAG), Brasilia, Brazil
- 15. National Front of Mayors of Brazil (FNP), Brasilia, Brazil
- 16. Sustainable Cities Institute (ICS), São Paulo, Brazil
- 17. Sustainable Inclusive Solutions (SIS), São José dos Pinhais, Brazil

# **Annex III**

# Admitted observer organizations that notified the secretariat about a name change during the reporting period, between July 2024 and May 2025

[English only]

Former name	New name
Climate & Sustainability, Nyon, Switzerland	Climate Bridges, Nyon, Switzerland
Designated Operational Entities and Independent Entities Association (DIA), Geneva, Switzerland	International Association of Validation and Verification Bodies (IAVVB), Geneva, Switzerland
Finance for Tomorrow, branche de Paris EUROPLACE, Paris, France	Paris EUROPLACE, dba Institut de la Finance Durable, Paris, France
Foundation for Environmental Stewardship (FES), Toronto, Canada	Finance Engage Sustain (FES), Toronto, Canada
The Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA), Lincoln, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Institute of Sustainability and Environmental Professionals (ISEP), March, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Water Science Policy gUG (limited liability) (WSP), Neuötting, Germany	Onewater gUG (limited liability), Neuötting, Germany
World Environment Center (WEC), Washington, D.C., United States of America	Wildlife Habitat Council dba Tandem Global, Bethesda, Maryland, United States of America
Young People's Trust for the Environment, Yeovil, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Better Planet Education, Yeovil, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland