Committee of Permanent Representatives
Subcommittee meeting
Nairobi, 14 May 2026
09:00 – 12:00 and 13:00 – 16:00 (GMT+3)
Hybrid meeting
Conference Room 4 (in person)
and Microsoft Teams (online)

Agenda item 3: Briefing on the 2026 World Environment Day campaign.

This background document has been prepared by the Secretariat for consideration under agenda item 3, entitled "*Briefing on the 2026 World Environment Day campaign".* The event will be hosted by Azerbaijan on 5 June 2026.

Following the presentation, the Committee will be invited to take note of the briefing and engage in an exchange of views with its members and the Secretariat.

UNEP 2026 World Environment Day Briefing for CPR

Background:
Established by the United Nations General Assembly in 1972 and first observed on 5 June 1973, World Environment Day, led by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), has become one of the world's largest platforms for environmental action. Each year, it mobilizes millions of people, thousands of organizations, and governments across more than 150 countries.

World Environment Day 2026: A Global Call for Climate Action
The world has just endured its hottest 11-year period on record. The signals the planet is sending are unmistakable—and increasingly difficult to ignore. But another signal is breaking through. Solar energy is scaling. Wind power is expanding. Cities are being redesigned. Ecosystems are being restored. Across the world, positive tipping points are already taking hold.

#WorldEnvironmentDay 2026 focuses on climate change, on the signals the Earth is sending, and the signals we choose to send back. UNEP's global campaign calls on all of us to step in #NowForClimate and help steer a world already in motion.