UNEP New York Office

Orientation Sessions for Members of the Committee of Permanent Representatives

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Overview of Functions

- Represent UNEP in inter-governmental and UN inter-agency meetings and processes.
- Promote support for UNEP's mandate, strategic programme priorities and orientations and acting as a clearinghouse for information of relevance to UNEP.
- Facilitate the integration/mainstream of key environmental issues in the UN.
- Provide regular updates relevant to UNEP's mandate.
- Represent the Organization with Governments in North America.
- Undertake stakeholder outreach to enhance the visibility of UNEP and UNEA in North America.

Intergovernmental work

Inform

Enhance strategic engagement

Contribute to UN reporting to Member States

Communicate

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Reporting and Support to the work of the UN General Assembly and ECOSOC



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Support to the preparation of and engagement in UN intergovernmental processes and their follow-up

ECOSOC

- Fora
- Commissions

General Assembly

- Meetings mandated by the General Assembly
- Processes mandated by the General Assembly.

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Interagency work

Inform and influence relevant interagency processes

Communicate

Enhance strategic engagement with UN agencies

Improve coordination

Support EMG and SUN

Partnerships and Network

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The Environment Management Group (EMG)

- A UN system-wide coordination body on environment and human settlements.
- Established in 2001
- 52 UN entities members and 3 observing bodies.
- Identifies issues on the international environmental agenda that warrant UN system-wide collaboration.

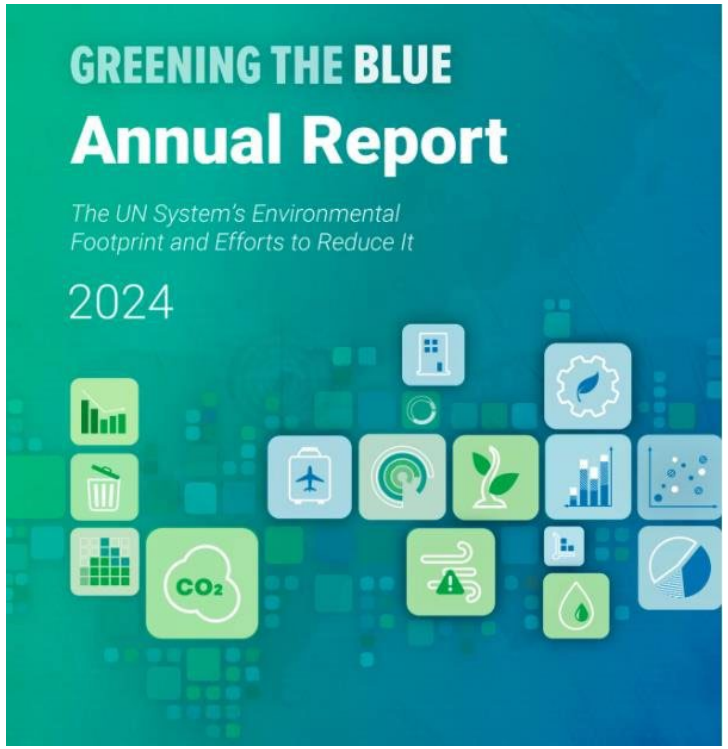
"Because environmental issues underpin so many of the Agenda's goals, they provide many opportunities to align efforts within the United Nations, as well as with governments, scientists, the private sector, civil society and communities. That is why the 51 agencies in the United Nations Environment Management Group are converging their strategies, sharing their experiences and showing what works and where more must be done. The diverse examples highlighted in this report include joint initiatives on pollution, climate refugees and financing."



António Guterres
Secretary-General of the United Nations

The Sustainable UN Facility (SUN)

- ❑ Integrating environmental considerations in the UN System
- ❑ Providing methodologies, tools and technical
- ❑ “Sustainability focal points’ in close to 60 Un entities
- ❑ Greening the Blue report



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Following merger with North America Regional Office in 2026

- ❑Liaison with US and Canada
- ❑Partnerships
- ❑Stakeholder outreach



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Thank you

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