

ROADMAP FOR THE BUREAU OF THE EIGHTH SESSION OF THE UN ENVIRONMENT ASSEMBLY

Meeting date	Agenda	Other international meetings of potential relevance for UNEA Bureau
2026		
11 March – Meeting of UNEA-8 Bureau (14:00 – 15:00), online	Agenda: - Introduction to the work of the Bureau of UNEA - Organization of work	1 January – New Year's Day (UN official holiday) 7 January – Orthodox Christmas (floating holiday) 2 February – World Wetlands Day 2–3 and 6–13 February – Fourth Substantive Session of INC for UN Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation, New York, United States of America 3–8 February – 12th Session of the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES 12), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland 17 February – Lunar New Year (floating holiday) 1 March – World Seagrass Day 3 March – World Wildlife Day 19 March - Eid al-Fitr (UN official holiday) 20 March – Nowruz (floating holiday) 22 March – World Water Day 26–29 March – 14 th WTO Ministerial Conference, Yaoundé, Cameroon 23–29 March – 15 th Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS COP15), Campo Grande, Brazil 3 April - Easter Monday (UN official holiday) 18 April – Good Friday/Orthodox Good Friday (UN official holiday) 22 April – International Mother Earth Day 1 May – Labour Day (UN official holiday) 10 May – World Migratory Bird Day 11–15 May – 21st Session of the UN Forum on Forests (UNFF21), New York, USA 18–22 May – 13th Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF13), Baku, Azerbaijan 20 May – World Bee Day 22 May - International Day for Biological Diversity 26 May – Eid al-Adha (UN official holiday) 1 June – Day of Vesak (floating holiday, in lieu of Sunday, 31 May) 1 June - Madaraka day (Floating holiday) 5 June - World Environment Day 2025 8–18 June - 64th Sessions of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies, Bonn, Germany 6–15 July – 2026 High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF), New York, United States of America 3–14 August - Fifth Substantive Session of
June (date TBC) – Joint meeting of the Bureau of UNEA-8 and the CPR Bureau (14:00 – 15:00), online	Tentative agenda: - Assessment of the seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly	
5 November - Joint meeting of the Bureau of UNEA-8 and the CPR Bureau (14:00 - 15:00), online	Tentative agenda - Preparations for the draft ministerial declaration of UNEA-8 - Organization of work	

		INC for UN Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation, New York, USA 17-28 August - The 17th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP17) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD), Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia 8-22 September – 81st Session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA 81) - UNHQ, New York, USA 20 September - Yom Kippur (Floating holiday) 28 September – 3 October - 70th Meeting of the International Whaling Commission (IWC70), Hobart, Australia 4-9 October - 17th International Conference on Mercury as a Global Pollutant, Hyderabad, India 11 October – World Migratory Bird Day 20 October - Mashujaa Day (UN official holiday) 18-30 October - The Seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP17), Armenia 9 November - Diwali (floating holiday, in lieu of Sunday, 8 November) 9–12 November - Sixth UN World Data Forum, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia 24 November – Gurburab (floating holiday) 30 November – 11 December - Sixth Substantive Session of INC for UN Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation, Nairobi, Kenya 2–4 December - 2026 UN Water Conference, United Arab Emirates 12 December - Jamhuri day (UN official holiday) 25 December - Christmas day (UN official holiday)
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