

High-level discussion on the conclusions of MEAs Day

Wednesday, 10 December 2025, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. EAT
Conference Room 1

A. Introduction

The seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-7), to be held from 8 to 12 December 2025, will include a Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) Day considered through an opening segment, two consecutive high-level dialogues, and a concluding segment related to the theme of UNEA-7 which reads "[Advancing sustainable solutions for a resilient planet](#)". The two high-level dialogues and the concluding segment are as follows:

- High-Level Dialogue 1: "Signed, Sealed, Delivered? Turbocharging MEA implementation through whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches"; Wednesday, 10 December 2025, from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm.
- High-Level Dialogue 2: "Keeping the Promise" - Boosting SDGs implementation through the MEAs"; Wednesday, 10 December 2025, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.
- High-Level Discussion on the conclusions of MEAs Day, Wednesday, 10 December 2025, from 5:00 to 6:00 pm.

The United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-6), in its [decision 6/7](#) on the provisional agenda, dates and venue of the seventh session of UNEA, recognized the importance of strengthening the contributions and active participation of MEAs in UNEA and made the item entitled "Cooperation with multilateral environmental agreements" a standing agenda item. Building on the success of UNEA-6, this will be the second time that the Assembly hosts an MEAs Day.

This concept note intends to assist Member States and observers, including MEA Secretariats, intergovernmental/international organizations, relevant UN system entities and specialized agencies and related organizations, as well as accredited Major Groups and Stakeholders participating in UNEA-7 in their preparations for the High-Level Discussion on the conclusions of MEAs Day.

To further support ministers' engagement in the High-Level Dialogues, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has prepared an Information Document collecting national case studies showcasing concrete examples of how synergies, cooperation and collaboration can lead to more coherent and effective implementation of MEAs.¹ This compilation of case studies was mandated by UNEA in its [resolutions 6/4](#) and [6/6](#). By highlighting national experiences and good practices to facilitate synergies in the implementation of MEAs, this Information Document is expected to inspire interventions from ministers and other stakeholders in the Discussion on the conclusions of MEAs Day.

¹ The information document UNEP/EA.7/INF/6 will be issued in October 2025 as a supporting document to UNEA-7 and made available on the [dedicated page](#).

B. Scope

The scope of this one-hour moderated session will be to share reflections, challenges, lessons learned, and action-oriented solutions emerging from the two High-Level Dialogues. It will focus on drawing conclusions from MEAs Day and identifying concrete action points that can guide Member States, MEAs, UNEP and UNEA in advancing synergies and cooperation for the effective and coherent implementation of MEAs, strengthening the global environmental governance landscape.

C. Expected Outcomes - A Call for Action for a more effective and coherent environmental governance system

By consolidating the outcomes of the two MEAs Day High-Level Dialogues, the High-Level Discussion on the conclusions of MEAs Day is expected to conclude with a call for action to strengthen global environmental governance. It will be an opportunity, *inter alia*, to: provide a platform for Member States, MEA Secretariats and other stakeholders to summarize what concrete steps and joint solutions can advance greater synergies and cooperation in the implementation of MEAs; provide an opportunity for Member States, MEA Secretariats and other stakeholders to define possible additional support required by the UN system to advance synergies and cooperation in MEAs implementation; reflect on ways to strengthen the UNEA agenda item entitled “Cooperation with multilateral environmental agreements” and how, going forward, it can contribute to greater synergies and coherence across the landscape of global environmental governance.

D. Format

Participation in the High-Level Discussion on the conclusions of MEAs Day is open to all Member States and observers, including MEA Secretariats, intergovernmental/international organizations, relevant UN system entities and specialized agencies and related organizations, as well as accredited Major Groups and Stakeholders participating in UNEA-7. The High-Level Discussion will be a moderated session, structured around guiding questions, to facilitate an interactive and dynamic dialogue. The High-Level Discussion will also be webcast live on [UN Web TV](#) and interpretation will be available in the six official languages of the United Nations.

E. Guiding Questions

Participants to the High-Level Discussion on the conclusions of MEAs Day will be invited by the moderator to reflect on the following questions, to create an interactive discussion:

1. Going forward, what is needed of Member States, MEA Secretariats, stakeholders and the entire UN system to achieve greater coherence, synergies and collaboration in the implementation of MEAs?
2. How can UNEA, the most influential environmental gathering in the world, integrate “Cooperation with MEAs” into the tapestry of environmental governance, to help strengthen impact and efficiencies?

Contact Details

For inquiries, please email **Mr Andrea Rizzo** (andrea.rizzo@un.org), and **Ms Chiara Magrelli** (chiara.magrelli@un.org) from Law Division, United Nations Environment Programme.