



## 2022 UN Ocean Conference News Wave 31 March 2022

### Open now: Call for side events at the 2022 UN Ocean Conference

Interested Member States, Intergovernmental Organizations, UN entities and all other duly accredited and registered entities are invited to apply for side events in connection with the 2022 UN Ocean Conference. Side events can be hosted (a) in-person inside the Conference venue, the Altice Arena; (b) in-person in other locations in Lisbon; or (c) virtually. The **deadline** for applications is **8 April 2022**. Priority will be given to events organized by Member States and those organized in partnership by multiple entities. All interested parties are strongly encouraged to partner with others to organize a side event. For additional information, please check [here](#).

### Global online stakeholder consultation: Summary report available

The global online stakeholder consultation seeking inputs to the concept papers of the eight thematic interactive dialogues of the 2022 UN Ocean Conference was concluded on 21 February 2022. The online consultation received **over 300 inputs** from stakeholders of all regions and across all sectors. A [summary report](#) has been prepared by DSDG/UNDESA. The inputs are available online for public viewing. For more information, please check [here](#).

### Special accreditation: Outcomes of third round now available

The third and final round of special accreditation for non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, the scientific community, the private sector and philanthropic organizations to attend the 2022 UN Ocean Conference was held between 17 January and 28 February 2022. The list of approved organizations is available [here](#). For more information on stakeholder participation, including lists of all organizations that have received special accreditation to the Conference, please check [here](#).

### Ocean voluntary commitments

In its resolution 73/292, the UN General Assembly called for new voluntary commitments to be made in support of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 14, in connection with the 2022 UN Ocean Conference. The UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs has created an [online searchable database](#) to collect and shine the spotlight on such commitments. More than **1,600 initiatives** covering all targets of SDG 14 have been registered since the 2017 UN Ocean Conference by a range of different actors. [Read the letter](#) from Ambassador Peter Thomson, UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Ocean, about ocean voluntary commitments and [register your commitment](#) for Ocean Action.

### Accommodation during the Conference

Information on **promotional rates** offered by hotels for participants of the Ocean Conference is now available [here](#). Further details on these rates can be obtained from the hotels directly, through the contacts provided in this file. Additional information on logistical aspects related to the Conference will be made available in due time.

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