



LDC5

5TH UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

On registration and participation for non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, and the private sector

1. Which civil society organization and non-governmental stakeholder groups can participate in the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries?

Relevant non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, the private sector and whose work is relevant to the LDC5 with the inclusion of youth and women organizations.

2. Which organizations can register participants to attend the Conference?

- (a) Organizations that have received special accreditation by the United Nations General Assembly to the Fifth UN Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5)
- Outcomes of the first round of special accreditation: [PGA-letter-final-list-of-organisations-to-participate-in-LDC-V-and-its-preparatory-processes.pdf \(un.org\)](#)
 - Outcomes of the second round: [Letter from the President of the General Assembly – LDC5 List of Special Accreditation | General Assembly of the United Nations](#)
 - Outcomes of the third round: [Letter from the President of the General Assembly – LDC5 List of Representatives | General Assembly of the United Nations](#)
- (b) Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with ECOSOC (Special, General or Roster consultative status). You can check if your organization has consultative status [HERE](#).

3. Can I still request Special Accreditation for my organization?

Unfortunately, no. The third and final round of Special Accreditation was held between 1 November – 7 December 2022 and is now closed.

4. My organization applied for Special Accreditation, where can I check the outcomes?

Please, check the links below for outcomes to Special Accreditation processes related to the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5).

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5. My organization has received Special Accreditation to participate at the Conference, do I still need to register? Can I just show a copy of the confirmation letter for special accreditation to participate at the Conference?

No. All organizations will need to register each of their representatives (up to fifteen) to be able to attend the Conference. All requests for registration must be approved, and you will not be considered registered for the LDC5 conference until you have received a registration approval email. Presenting only a copy of the confirmation letter on Special Accreditation will not grant participation at LDC5.

6. My organization has consultative status with ECOSOC. Do I need to register to attend the Conference?

Yes. All participants must register to attend the Conference through the dedicated portals created for their respective groups for the LDC5 Conference (see question 9 below). Each organization will be able to nominate up to 15 (fifteen) representatives from their organization to attend the Conference.

7. I do not belong to any organization. Can I attend the Conference?

Unfortunately, no. You cannot attend the Conference as an individual. Participants must be associated with an accredited organization or to a United Nations Member State delegation in order to have their registrations confirmed.

8. How many representatives can each eligible organization have to attend the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5)?

Each organization will be able to request registration of up to 15 (fifteen) representatives to attend the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5). All representatives must be duly registered using the dedicated registration form for the Conference.

9. How can I register to attend the Conference?

Registration for representatives from accredited non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions and the private sector attending the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5) is now open. Only accredited organizations (please, see list in question no. 2 above) will be able to request registration of representatives to attend the Conference.

- Representatives of specially accredited organizations must register here: <https://indico.un.org/event/1003805/>
- Representatives of organizations in consultative status with ECOSOC must register here: <https://indico.un.org/event/1003868/>

Registrations via email will not be accepted. All nominated representatives of an accredited organization must register via the above Indico portals.

Please note that registration does not guarantee participation in the Conference.

A confirmation letter from the United Nations will be sent to the approved participants. Approval of registrations will be done on a rolling basis.

10. What information is needed for representatives of eligible organizations to register to attend the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5)?

Each participant will need to be registered through the appropriate Indico portal. Please check question 9 for details. Each participant will need to set up a profile on the Indico platform through a specific email. You will be asked to provide the following information:

- Personal data: Name (as per passport), address and contact information.
- Upload a picture: Check minimum standards for valid pictures [here](#).
- Letter of Representation: You will be requested to upload a signed letter from the Head of your organization indicating that you are authorized to represent the organization at the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5). Please find sample letter of representation here: bit.ly/LDC5LORTemplate

All requested registrations will be reviewed by the Conference Secretariat. A confirmation letter will be sent to the approved registrant.

11. I'm not 18 years old yet. Can I attend the Conference?

The minimum age for participants to register for the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5) is 18 years old.

12. Can an organization register more than fifteen representatives and swap the badges so that representatives from the same organization could take turns to enter the Conference venue?

No. The registration is linked to individual profiles and badges are issued with the participant's personal photo and information.

13. Are funds available for stakeholders to attend the Conference?

Registered stakeholders are responsible for their own travel and accommodation costs.

14. How can I get a VISA to attend the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries?

Registrants are responsible for securing their own visa for Doha. For information on the visa process and the entry requirements, visit the website: [Entry Requirements | 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries \(LDC5\)](#). You may present your Conference registration approval letter as a supporting document for your visa application. Please note that a successful registration to the Conference does not guarantee entrance to Qatar.

15. I represent a city and/or a regional government. Can I attend the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5)?

Representatives of local and regional governments should register through their Member State delegation. Associations of local and regional governments in consultative status with ECOSOC or Specially Accredited will also be able to register participants.

16. Are there opportunities for stakeholders to speak during the Conference?

Information on engagement opportunities will be published on the website [here](#) . You may also sign up to the below *mailing lists:

- If you would like to receive updates and further information on how to participate in the Private Sector Forum, taking place from 5-7 March, please [click here](#)
- If you would like to receive updates and further information on how to participate in the Civil Society Forum, taking place from 4-7 March, please [click here](#)

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17. Can NGOs and other stakeholders organize side-events at the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5)?

In connection with the LDC5 Private Sector Forum, to be held from 5 to 7 March 2023 at the Qatar National Convention Centre in Doha, there will be side events organized by accredited private sector organizations and other stakeholders, Member States, Intergovernmental Organizations (IGOs) and UN entities.

Side events will take place at the Qatar National Conference Centre – the Conference venue - as an integral part of LDC5, outside of the formal sessions of the Conference.

More detailed information of the side events for LDC5 will be published on the [website](#) in due course.

18. I have registered in Indico, but I haven't received any communications from the UN, what do I do?

All communications regarding your registration status will be sent to your registered email from ldc5@un.org. Please also check your spam folder regularly for emails from ldc5@un.org.

19. What are the COVID-19 guidelines for entering Qatar?

Please be mindful of any requirement from your country of origin or any transit country. It is the responsibility of travelers to know about any changes to the travel and return policy through official sources and websites before planning to travel to the State of Qatar.

Please visit the website for Ministry of Public Health of Qatar for any changes and updates - [Qatar Travel and Return Policy Qatar Travel and Return Policy \(moph.gov.qa\)](#)

20. How do I sign up for the stakeholders mailing list for the LDC5?

Representatives from non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions and the private sector, and other stakeholders interested in receiving

updates on information related to stakeholder engagement in the preparatory process for the 5th United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5) are invited to sign up to the below *mailing lists:

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Requests and questions from civil society participants should be directed to ldc5@un.org.