

Third Meeting of the Ad hoc Working Group on Stakeholder Engagement Policy

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Modalities for stakeholder engagement in intergovernmental processes – UN practices



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Common Practices

1. Only accredited organisations and groups can engage.
2. Wide use or adaptation of resolution 1996/31 Non-governmental organisation in consultative status with ECOSOC as guide.
3. Rules of procedure and resolutions on stakeholder engagement
4. Self-led stakeholder engagement mechanisms with associated Working groups and Boards/Committees
5. Annual stakeholder consultations
6. Handbooks on guidelines on stakeholder engagement in intergovernmental processes



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Agency specific practices

1. Formal civil society representation-ILO, UNAIDS.
2. Major groups and other stakeholder mechanism including Global Stakeholder Forum and regional stakeholder consultations –UNEP, ILO
3. Civil society policy forums – World Bank
4. Civil Society Engagement Mechanisms – FAO/IFAD/WFP
5. Stakeholder Engagement Mechanism, UNDRR
6. Civil society advisory boards at global, regional and national level– UN Women
7. High-Level Political Forum -Major Groups Coordination Mechanisms - UNDESA



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Agency specific practices cont'd

7. Regular briefings of stakeholders on upcoming meetings led by the Bureau Chair with participation of technical staff and experts
8. Dialogues with the Presidents, Chairs of the Bureau, Open-ended working groups and Executive Directors - World Bank/IMF, UNEP, UNDESA
9. Cross-linkages between Stakeholder Engagement Mechanisms and other mechanisms aligned to Agenda 2030 SDGs – UNDRR
10. Contribution to Agenda setting - UNEP, FAO/IFAD/WFP UN Committee on Food Security



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Agency specific practices cont'd

1. Stakeholder preparation of policy position papers – UNEP, FAO/IFAD/WFP, UNDRR
2. Monitoring and accountability for stakeholder engagement –UNAIDS
3. Consultation, inputs, and feedback from constituency groups on key issues under discussion by governing bodies
4. Cross-linkage and outreach to stakeholders' groups in aligned to various SDGs – bringing urban to other SDGs.



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Discussion and feedback from member states.



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Modalities for stakeholder engagement in intergovernmental processes – UN-Habitat current practice





Rules of Procedure on stakeholder engagement

1. UN-Habitat Assembly rules 65 to 71 and Executive Board rule 17.3 provide for accredited stakeholders and organisations in consultative status with ECOSOC to attend session as observers



Modalities of engagement at intergovernmental meetings

1. Global Stakeholder Forum, Business and Industry Assembly, and Youth Forum
2. Oral and written statements at the end of every session
3. Interaction with member states, Secretariat and other stakeholders



Modalities of stakeholder engagement: UN-Habitat current practice 2



Engagement during intersessional period

1. Consultations, surveys, and Expert Group Meetings to develop policies, strategic plan and programmes
2. Advocacy
3. Stakeholder mobilization and identification of new partners
4. Advisory Boards: Stakeholder Advisory Group Enterprise (SAGE)



Proposed modalities to strengthen stakeholder engagement

1. Stakeholder briefings, deliberations in ad hoc working groups, and stakeholder preparation of policy papers ahead of meetings
2. Align UN-Habitat process with the UN system wide practices
3. Annual stakeholder consultations
4. Monitoring and reporting on stakeholder engagement in intergovernmental process
5. Stakeholder Engagement Mechanisms



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