

## 2021 Major Intergovernmental Meetings

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
		<p><b>Fifth UN Conference on LDCs 21-25 Mar, Doha, Qatar</b></p> <p>- highest possible level, including Heads of State and Government. - preceded by a preparatory process based on country-level, regional and global substantive reviews, involving all major IPoA stakeholders, outcome to feed into work of Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee, which will meet twice, on 27-30 July 2020 and 11-15 January 2021.</p>	<p><b>ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development 12-15 April, New York</b></p> <p>- financing COVID-19 recovery and tackling challenges to the AAAAA. and advancing and integrating thematic priorities of UN initiatives launched since the onset of COVID-19, including the SG's High-level initiative w/CAN &amp; JAM into the financing for development track.</p>	<p><b>ECOSOC Operational Activities for Development Segment (OAS) 18-20 May, New York</b></p>	<p><b>15th Mtg of Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP15) Q2 2021, Kunming, China</b></p> <p>The Biodiversity summit (30 Sep 2020) gave impetus to elaborate an ambitious post-2020 biodiversity framework, with new targets to succeed the Aichi targets. - The framework is to be adopted at COP15. Outcome will address 2020 maturity date if many biodiversity targets and changes to be achieved by 2050, and integrates nature-based solutions to safeguard and maintain ecosystems.</p>
			<p><b>UNCTAD 15 21-25 April, Barbados].</b></p> <p>Quadrennial conference where which member states assess current trade and development issues and formulate global policy responses.</p>	<p><b>WEF Annual Mtg 18-21 May, Lucerne- Bürgenstock, Switzerland</b></p> <p>Theme: "The Great Reset" after Covid19</p>	
				<p><b>ECOSOC Humanitarian Affairs Segment (HAS) (Geneva, 22-24 May)</b></p>	

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<p><b>ECOSOC HLPF 6-15 July, New York</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- “Sustainable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic”</li> <li>- review SDGs most directly affected by COVID-19 : SDG1/ Poverty; SDG2/ Hunger; SDG 3/ Health; SDG8/ Decent work; SDG10/ Inequalities; SDG12 / Responsible Consumption &amp; Production; SDG13/Climate; SDG 16/Peace; SDG 17/Partnerships.</li> <li>- take stock of pandemic’s impact on SDGs and how can response support transformations needed.</li> <li>- 43 VNRs Presentations</li> </ul>	<p><b>G7 Summit (Summer 2021, UK)</b></p>	<p><b>Food Systems Summit [Sep 2021, New York]</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- will shed light on the importance of sustainable food systems for accelerating progress across all SDGs, which was one of the findings of the 2019 Global Sustainable Development Report.</li> <li>- focus on ensuring that global food system is ready to meet needs of growing global population sustainably &amp; equitably in the future.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Annual Mtg of World Bank &amp; IMF (Morocco, October)</b></p>	<p><b>COP 26 1-12 Nov, Glasgow</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- co-chaired by UK and Italy</li> <li>- most important climate summit since Paris Agreement</li> <li>- postponed from 2020, now taking place after deadline for several Paris commitments</li> <li>- essential that govs pledge higher emission cuts by 2030 &amp; publish plans to reach net zero emissions by 2050</li> <li>- Opportunity to launch coalitions</li> </ul>	
<p><b>ECOSOC 75th Anniversary 16 July 2021, New York</b></p> <p>ECOSOC’s role within the broader context of a revitalization and renewal of multilateralism and global governance</p>		<p><b>High-level dialogue on energy under the auspices of the GA Sep 2021, Germany</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SG convening dialogue to promote SDG7 implementation and accelerate implementation of plan of action for the UN Decade of Sustainable Energy for All.</li> <li>- dialogue on collaboration to reshape global energy system towards the transition to net-zero CO2 emissions by 2050, including by introducing carbon pricing and phasing out fossil fuel subsidies.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Second UN Global Sustainable Transport Conference 15-17 Oct, Beijing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- impetus sustainable transport to help achieve the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement.</li> <li>- will engage ministers, businesses and Science, Engineering &amp; Technology community.</li> <li>- Outcome should be a forward looking, visionary statement calling for global action to further advance sustainable transport worldwide.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>UN Ocean Conference last week of July 2021 (likely being adjusted), Lisbon</b></p> <p>was postponed from 2020. to address the nexus between ocean and climate; balance between conservation and sustainable use of marine resources in supporting sustainable blue economies; supporting developing countries through financing, technology transfer and capacity building.</p>			<p><b>G20 Summit 30-31 Oct, Rome, Italy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Italy’s G20 Presidency priorities closely aligned with UN focus areas,</li> <li>- 3 main elements: people, planet and prosperity.</li> <li>- includes digital transformation, gender equality, climate action &amp; sustainable development.</li> <li>- opportunity to reinforce key UN priorities, both within the official programme and in margins</li> </ul>		
<p><b>WTO 12th Ministerial Conference [21-24 July, Kazakhstan, tbc]</b></p>					