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 - A Moment of Opportunity: <https://www.un.org/climatechange/moment-opportunity-2025>
- United Nations Climate Change (UNFCCC): <http://unfccc.int/>
- Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC): <http://www.ipcc.ch/>

UN Events

- COP30 - UN Climate Change Conference – Belém, 10-21 November 2025: <https://cop30.br/>, <https://unfccc.int/cop30>
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General Assembly adopts resolution requesting International Court of Justice provide advisory opinion on states' obligations concerning climate change (GA/12497): <https://press.un.org/en/2023/ga12497.doc.htm>
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- Supercharging clean energy will repair humankind’s relationship with climate, fuel economic growth, Secretary-General says, noting \$2 Trillion invested in 2024 (SG/SM/22735, 22 July 2025): <https://press.un.org/en/2025/sgsm22735.doc.htm>
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- Secretary-General, in World Meteorological Day Message, stresses early climate warning systems ‘not luxuries’, but sound, life-saving investments with almost 10-fold return (SG/SM/22583, 13 March 2025): <https://press.un.org/en/2025/sgsm22583.doc.htm>
- ‘Stay on right side of history’ in climate action, says UN Chief at Davos Forum, also urging action on artificial intelligence (SG/SM/22528, 22 January 2025): <https://press.un.org/en/2025/sgsm22528.doc.htm>
- We must ‘Shift our collective efforts into overdrive, deliver on goals of Paris Agreement’, says Secretary-General, outlining 2025 priorities (SG/SM/22522, 15 January 2025): <https://press.un.org/en/2025/sgsm22522.doc.htm>
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- Group of 20 countries must lead on delivering financial, climate justice, says Secretary-General, at Joint Meeting of Finance, Sherpa Tracks (SG/SM/22493, 11 December 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sgsm22493.doc.htm>

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- Failure of Climate Finance Deal at Baku Conference 'not an option', Secretary-General tells Group of 20 Leaders (SG/SM/22464, 19 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22464.doc.htm>
- Mandatory rules for all, businesses adopting transition plans key to achieving net-zero emissions by mid-century, Secretary-General tells Stocktake of Integrity Matters Event (SG/SM/22456, 14 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22456.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General declares 'we must move much faster', urging Leaders' Meeting at Baku Climate Conference to keep pushing for high ambition outcome (SG/SM/22455, 13 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22455.doc.htm>
- Action for justice and equity must surge alongside demand for minerals critical to energy transition, Secretary-General tells meeting at Baku Climate Conference (SG/SM/22454, 13 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22454.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General urges leaders of Small Island Developing States, at Climate Summit, to use 'moral authority' and demand action, leadership, justice (SG/SM/22453, 13 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22453.doc.htm>
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- 'Let's see Africa where it belongs: At the forefront of the renewables revolution', says Secretary-General, at Baku Climate Change Conference (SG/SM/22449, 12 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22449.doc.htm>
- 'In an era of climate extremes, loss and damage finance is a must', Secretary-General tells Baku Launch Event (SG/SM/22448, 12 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22448.doc.htm>
- Eighty per cent of world's population want more climate action, Secretary-General tells Baku Summit Opening Ceremony, stressing 'they must be heard, not silenced' (SG/SM/22447, 12 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22447.doc.htm>
- Humanity paying price for torching planet, Secretary-General says at UN Environment Programme Adaptation Gap Report Launch, urging action to address climate calamity (SG/SM/22443, 7 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22443.doc.htm>
- 'I am on your side', Secretary-General tells Youth Climate Change Conference, stressing 'let's push leaders to deliver' on climate action, justice (7 November 2024, SG/SM/22444): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22444.doc.htm>
- 'Your voices are essential' to drive climate action, justice, Secretary-General tells Religious Leaders' Summit, urging fast, fair transition to durable, renewable future (SG/SM/22440, 5 November 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22440.doc.htm>
- 'We're out of time', Secretary-General declares at Launch of Environment Programme Emissions Gap Report, calling for government to take action at Climate Conference (SG/SM/22422, 24 October 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22422.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General, at Pacific Island Forum Opening Ceremony, says greater financial, technological support for region crucial to protect climate, save world (SG/SM/22342, 26 August 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22342.doc.htm>
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- Solidarity critical to addressing climate emergency threatening very existence of Small Island States, Secretary-General tells Latin American, Caribbean Summit (SG/SM/22145, 1 March 2024): <https://press.un.org/en/2024/sqsm22145.doc.htm>
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