NOTIFICATION

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Intersessional panel meeting

Geneva, 17–19 November 2021

The Commission on Science and Technology for Development will hold its 2021–2022 intersessional panel meeting at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, with physical and remote participation, from 17 to 19 November 2021, from 2 to 4 p.m. each day.

The panel will address the following two priority themes:

a) Theme 1: Industry 4.0 for inclusive development
b) Theme 2: Science, technology and innovation for sustainable urban development in a post-pandemic world

The Commission will also review progress made in the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society.

Draft papers on the priority themes will be circulated by the secretariat in due course. The findings and recommendations of the panel will be considered at the twenty-fifth session of the Commission in 2022.

Participation and registration

Participants will include representatives from national Governments, international organizations, the private sector and civil society. Representatives of other organizations, including non-governmental organizations in the general and special categories, should hold consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or have received accreditation from the World Summit on the Information Society.

Registration is mandatory and should be completed as early as possible. Registration should be completed online at https://indico.un.org/event/1000233/.

Logistics

The meeting will be held with physical participation, in room XIX of the Palais des Nations, and remote participation, through a simultaneous interpretation platform in the six official languages of the United Nations. A link to the formal virtual meeting will be sent to registered participants, at the email address used for registration, one day in advance of the start of the meeting. To facilitate the approval of registration, permanent missions should confirm the list of participating delegates by means of a note verbale or by email by 10 November 2021.
Before entering the Palais des Nations, participants are requested to collect their badges at the United Nations Security Service, Pregny Gate entrance, 14 avenue de la Paix. The Security Service is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Because of the security measures in force, participants are strongly advised to arrive before 1 p.m. to complete entry procedures in good time and proceed to the meeting in Building E of the Palais. Participants are requested to carry a passport or similar national identity card. Taxis are not allowed to enter the grounds of the Palais des Nations; therefore, visitors will be dropped off at the entrance gates. Furthermore, luggage may not be brought into the buildings unless the Security Service grants special clearance.

Further information and contact details


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