

The UN Environment Programme's Synthesis Report
*"Making Peace with Nature: A scientific blueprint to tackle the climate,
biodiversity and pollution emergencies"*

Side Event at the First Preparatory Committee for the 5th United Nations Conference on Least
Developed Countries
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The first UNEP synthesis report, "Making Peace with Nature" makes it clear that there is a triple emergency unfolding and that these three issues are interlinked and need to be dealt with together. *"These are not just environmental issues, they are economic, development, security, social, moral and ethical issues"* - Sir Robert Watson, Report Lead.

The report is an authoritative scientific blueprint to tackle the climate, biodiversity and pollution emergencies, compiled by world-class scientists and building on past key major scientific reports (GEO, IPBES, IPCC, IRP, Emission Gap Reports...) It conveys strong messages about the current model of development degrading the Earth's finite capacity to sustain human well-being and the urgent need for a clear break with current trends of environmental decline in the coming decade. The blueprint calls for ambitious and coordinated action by governments, businesses and people around the world to prevent and reverse the worst impacts of environmental decline by rapidly transforming key systems including energy, water and food so that our use of the land and oceans becomes sustainable. It also communicates how climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution can be tackled jointly within the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Changes in how we measure progress and wealth, and structure our economy to protect the welfare of both current and future generations are critical opportunities presented. Ethiopia is in response to this implementing inclusive wealth accounting for sustainable development. This accounting system gives a more comprehensive overview of the natural resources and other values, and will provide an important basis for informed decision making.

The "Making Peace with Nature report", as well as all related documents, such as the executive summary in all UN languages, key messages and various communication products can be accessed at the following link: <https://www.unep.org/resources/making-peace-nature>

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Agenda

Welcome, Juan Bello, UNEP Regional Ecosystems Coordinator for Latin America and the Caribbean

Presentation of key findings from the Making Peace with Nature report

Sir Robert Watson, Making Peace with Nature Report Lead

Presentation on key recommendations of the report and ways to implement them at the national level

Julia Carabias - lead advisor to the report and former Minister of Environment of Mexico

Presentation on Comprehensive/Inclusive Wealth Accounting in Ethiopia

Mesfin Tilahun Gelaye from Mekelle University & Norwegian University of Life Sciences

Interactive dialogue

Q&A with audience