

El Niño 2023-2024: Actions for the safety, sustainability and resilience of people and the planet

**Tuesday, 30 April 2024, Trusteeship Council Chamber, UN Headquarter, NY
10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.**

Programme

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Opening Segment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• H.E. Mr. Dennis Francis, President of the General Assembly• H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of the Economic and Social Council – <i>Pre-Recorded Video</i>• Mr. Navid Hanif, Assistant-Secretary General, Department of Economic and Social Affairs• Ms. Celeste Saulo, Secretary-General, World Meteorological Organization - <i>Pre-Recorded Video</i>• Ms. Paola Albrito, Acting Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction
10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Plenary Segment
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Break
3:00 p.m. – 4:25 p.m.	Panel 1 – Actions taken to reduce 2023/2024 El Niño risks Moderator: Ms. Bernadette Placky-Woods, Climate Central VP, Chief Meteorologist, Climate Matters Director Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Yolanda González, Director, International Center for El Niño Phenomenon Research, Ecuador• Mr. Edson Nkonde, Director, Meteorological Department of the Republic of Zambia• Ms. Reena Ghelani, Assistant Secretary-General, Climate Crisis Coordinator for the El Niño response• Ms. Dyanne Marengo, President of the Costa Rican Red Cross• Mr. Boatametse Modukanele, Acting Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Tourism, Republic of Botswana
4:25 p.m. – 5:50 p.m.	Panel 2: Long-term strategies to create the enabling institutional and policy environment required to take effective action. Moderator: Dr Andrew Kruczkiewicz, International Research Institute for Climate and Society, Columbia University

	<p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Beth Bechdol, Deputy Director-General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations • Ms. Irma Dewi Rismayati, National Disaster Management Agency, Republic of Indonesia • Mr. Mikko Ollikainen, Head of Adaptation Fund • Mr. Santiago Caramés, National Director of the Emergency System, Uruguay • Ms. Aminata Monekata, Programme Manager and Country Representative, ActionAid International in Mali
5:50 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	<p>Closing remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President of the Economic and Social Council • President of the General Assembly