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United Nations Conference to Seek Synergy Solutions to Address Both Climate Crisis and Sustainable Development Reversals

Government ministers and experts to join with business and civil society leaders on 20-21 July, in Tokyo and virtually

- WHAT:** **Third Global Conference on Strengthening Synergies between the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**
Co-convened by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change Secretariat (UNFCCC)
Hosted by Japan Ministry of the Environment
In partnership with United Nations University (UNU) and the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)
- WHEN:** **20-21 July 2022**
Welcome ceremony and special events: 20 July, 19:15-20:00 JST
(including Japan Ministry of Environment Awards Ceremony for Mayors leading on decarbonization and launch of Global Compact Japan 2022 Report)
Conference high-level opening segment: 20 July, 20:00-22:00 JST
Closing session on "The Way Forward", 21 July, 17:00- 18:00 JST
- WHO:** Government Ministers and delegates, Heads of UN and international organizations, mayors, leaders and experts from business and civil society from around the world, including:
Antonio Guterres, United Nations Secretary-General (TBC)
Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General, UNDESA
Ibrahim Thiaw, Acting Executive Secretary, UNFCCC
Tsuyoshi Yamaguchi, Minister of Environment, Japan
Sawako Shirahase, Senior Vice-Rector, UNU
- WHERE:** United Nations University, Tokyo -- and virtual participation
- WHY:** With the world facing multiple global crises and limited resources, it is more important than ever to seek solutions that synergistically address the climate emergency and sustainable development at the same time, to accelerate action on all fronts. All evidence shows that GHG emissions are still rising, impacts are becoming more severe, and time is running out to make a course correction and limit warming to 1.5 degrees C. The most

recent Sustainable Development Goals Report states that an "urgent rescue effort" is needed for the Goals (SDGs), and that "years or even decades of development progress have been halted or reversed" as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and other global crises. This conference aims to strengthen action on both climate and SDGs by promoting integrated win-win solutions for both challenges.

HOW TO WATCH / MORE INFORMATION

A livestream of the opening segment will be available at webtv.un.org (English only).
A livestream of the Conference (English only, TBC) plus the programme, speakers, fact sheet and background papers can be found on the Conference website:
<https://www.un.org/en/climate-sdgs-conference-2022>

Local media can register for in-person participation by 15 July at the link below:
<https://forms.office.com/r/Vd0413gYGC>

All media can register for virtual participation by 18 July at the link below:
<https://forms.office.com/r/JXAuVjqnX>

Media should select the option on the forms for representing media/press.
In-person participation and the virtual platform will feature live interpretation English/Japanese.

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