



Justice  
Coalition of  
Religious

JCoR Guide to:

# 77TH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

13-26 SEPTEMBER 2022



This guide was produced by the [Justice Coalition of Religious](#) (JCoR), a coalition of 20 non-governmental organizations that are accredited to collectively represent over 200 congregations of Roman Catholic women and men Religious at the United Nations (UN). For centuries, congregations of Religious have served people who have been rendered poor, vulnerable, oppressed, and marginalized by existing global systems. Through our membership in JCoR, we have united with our sister and brother organizations to enhance collaboration among our members—at UN Headquarters and around the world—in our common mission: to improve quality of life for people who are living in poverty and to enhance our stewardship of the natural environment.

*The primary aim of our collaboration is to strengthen the capacity of Catholic Religious and their partners to address the root causes of human and environmental suffering.*

We work toward this goal by coordinating national, regional, and global efforts of Religious to call on political leaders to take action for a just, equitable, and rights-based implementation of the [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs), the United Nations' Agenda for 2015-2030.

We hope these pages will help you join us in this mission!





# What is it?

The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) is the **main policy-making body of the United Nations (UN)**, composed of representatives from each of the 193 UN Member States. It serves as a platform for discussion of specific issues that lead to voting on and adoption of resolutions.

Every year, the UNGA meets in regular sessions, which run from September to December. This year marks the **77th session of the UNGA (UNGA77)**. It will officially open on Tuesday, 13 September, and the first day of the high-level General Debate will begin on Tuesday, 20 September. The General Debate provides a space for Member States to deliver statements and raise any topic of importance in front of a world audience.

UNGA77 will present an opportunity for world leaders to come together to discuss how we can **collectively create a more sustainable and just future for all**.

# UNGA77 DETAILS

## WHEN:

13-26 September 2022

## WHERE:

Online and at the United Nations Headquarters in New York

## WATCH:

See next page for details on in-person participation

You can join in online to follow the proceedings of the UNGA at [webtv.un.org](http://webtv.un.org) (streamed in multiple languages)

## PROGRAMME:

Click [here](#) to access the provisional schedule

**13 September:** Opening of the General Assembly

**16-17, 19 September:** [Transforming Education Summit](#)

**16-25 September:** [Global Goals Week](#)

**19 September:** [SDG Moment](#)

**20-24, 26 September:** General Debate

**21 September:** High-level meeting marking the 30th anniversary of the [Declaration on the Rights of Minorities](#)

**26 September:** High-level meeting to commemorate the [International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons](#)

## GENERAL INFORMATION:

Visit the UNGA77 [website](#)



Links to live and on-demand coverage of the high-level meetings of the General Assembly can be accessed here: <http://gadebate.un.org>.

# Details on In-Person Participation

## ACCESS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

A limited number of special passes for the General Assembly will be distributed daily from 19 to 26 September by the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs on a **first-come, first-served basis at the corner of Second Avenue and 46th Street, from 9 -10AM and from 2-3PM** for participation on the same day. Due to the limited number of passes available, and in order to provide equal opportunity to all NGOs in consultative status to attend the sessions, special half-day passes will be distributed to one representative of each NGO to attend either the morning session or the afternoon session of the general debate, but not both. In other words, NGOs participating in the morning session cannot participate in the afternoon session.

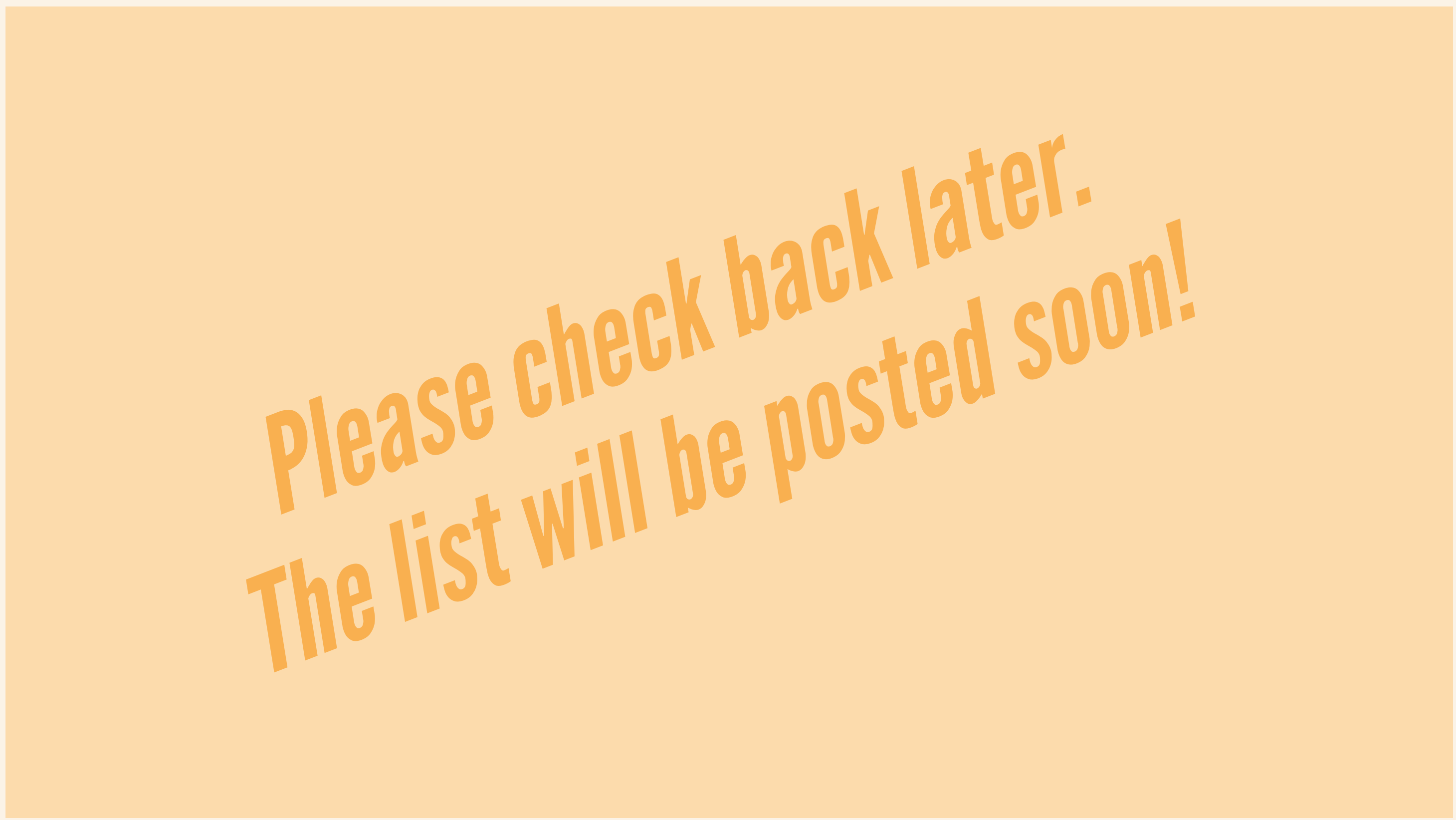
## ACCESS TO SPECIAL EVENTS

If members of civil society or representatives of NGOs register for specific events and are approved to participate, they will be issued name-specific special passes for those events. Special event tickets should indicate a specific meeting, date and time. The issuance of special event tickets is the responsibility of the United Nations sponsoring office and/or permanent mission.

From 1 September 2022, no new passes will be approved or issued for representatives of NGOs in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council for the duration of the high-level week of the General Assembly. Access to United Nations premises will be granted with valid United Nations grounds passes only until 15 September 2022. From 16 to 30 September 2022, the use of annual and temporary grounds passes for NGOs in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council to enter the Headquarters complex will be suspended.

# Programme of Speakers

Please note, this is a provisional list and is subject to change



**HS:** head of state    **HG:** head of government    **M:** foreign minister    **CD:** ambassador

# WHO TO FOLLOW AND TAG ON SOCIAL MEDIA

AND SUGGESTED HASHTAGS



## JUSTICE COALITION OF RELIGIOUS (JCoR)

Twitter: [@JCoR2030](#) Facebook: [@JCoR2030](#)

## JCoR MEMBERS

Click [here](#) to access Twitter list of JCoR members

## UNITED NATIONS

Twitter: [@UN](#) Facebook: [@unitednations](#)

## UN PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twitter: [@UN\\_PGA](#)

## YOUR CONGREGATION'S NGO AT THE UN

Need help? Find many congregations' NGO's social media details [here](#)

## YOUR GOVERNMENT'S PERMANENT MISSION TO THE UN

**HASHTAGS:** #UNGA77 or #UNGA



# Recommended Events

## **REINFORCING COOPERATION IN A DISRUPTED WORLD: A STRATEGIC PREVIEW OF THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

15 September 2022, 9:00am-11:00am (New York Time)

Ahead of the 2022 United Nations General Assembly, political, business, and civil society leaders will join the Financial Times, in partnership with the United Nations Foundation, to host this strategic preview of the UN General Assembly which will explore how important international cooperation can be utilized to overcome the myriad of geopolitical crises including climate, food, energy, and war; while also asking how multilateralism can be redesigned to be more resilient and effective in the modern day.

Click [here](#) to view the event agenda

REGISTER (for either an in-person or digital pass): <https://bit.ly/3RD1gau>

Watch live on [webtv.un.org](http://webtv.un.org) or attend in person at the Ford Foundation Center for Social Justice





# Recommended Events



Visit [Trello](#) to access suggested social media messages for the summit

## TRANSFORMING EDUCATION SUMMIT

16-17, 19 September 2022

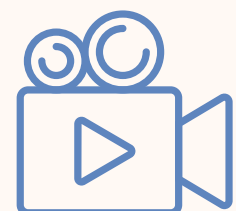
The UN Secretary-General is convening the Transforming Education Summit during the UNGA77, on September 16 (Mobilization Day), 17 (Solutions Day) and 19 (Leaders Day). The Summit is being held in response to a global crisis in education – one of equity and inclusion, quality and relevance. Often slow and unseen, this crisis is having a devastating impact on the futures of children and youth worldwide. The Summit seeks to generate greater political commitment to education as a public good and to set out a new vision for the education of the future. It will also serve to mobilize solutions and solidarity to turn that vision into reality, with a view to recovering pandemic-related learning losses and rescuing the education-related goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda.

Watch live on [webtv.un.org](http://webtv.un.org)



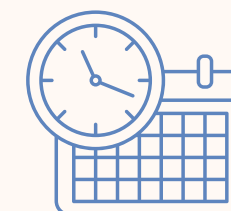
### OFFICIAL WEBSITE

Learn more by visiting the [Summit Website](#)



### YOUTUBE VIDEO

Watch an [introductory video](#) about the Summit



### PROGRAMME

Read the [programme](#) for more details on the Summit schedule



# Recommended Events

## SDG MOMENT

19 September 2022, 8:30am-10:00am (New York Time)

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a blueprint for fighting poverty and hunger, confronting the climate crisis, achieving gender equality and much more by 2030. At a time of great uncertainty, the SDGs are the way forward to a strong recovery from multiple global crises and a better future for all on a safe and healthy planet. This event will bring together representatives of governments, civil society and international organizations, along with other relevant stakeholders, with a view to highlighting partnerships that are scaling up solutions to keep the promise of the SDGs for people and the planet.

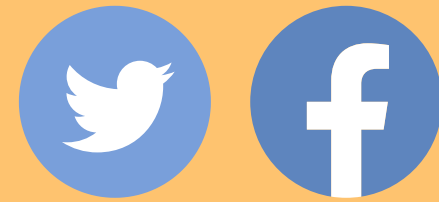
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For the most up-to-date list of recommended events,  
please visit the JCoR website at  
<https://jcor2030.org/communications-guides/>





# Sample Social Media Messaging



## UNGA77

We ask governments at #UNGA77, what are you doing to advance justice and #peace? What commitments are you making to address #ClimateChange? How are you going to help us achieve the #SDGs? We are listening to your statements, and we plan to hold you accountable.

## Global Goals Week

We are calling on world leaders gathering for #UNGA77 to recognize that we are halfway through the timeline set for the #2030Agenda and much work remains! The time is NOW to address our global challenges and #Act4SDGs. Tomorrow is too late! <https://youtu.be/sBM2h1SliNE>

## Transforming Education Summit

COVID19 caused a historic disruption to #education systems worldwide - a crisis in education that will have a devastating impact on our youth & their futures. We are calling for urgent action on #SDG4 at the #TransformingEducation Summit. We must act NOW! #LeaveNoOneBehind



# Sample Social Media Messaging



## **International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons**

Today is incredibly important: a failed 2022 [#NPTRevCon](#), fraught intl environment, & heightened risk of nuclear weapons being used, we must demand urgent & resolute action to eliminate nuclear weapons. A world without nuclear weapons is possible. Our very existence depends on it.

(Click [here](#) to download a graphic to accompany this message)



## CALL TO ACTION:

“Make sure you hold your governments, your elected leaders accountable...Make sure you vote. Make sure that you get your priorities heard by those who have the power to make decisions and make sure that you are actively participating in civic and political life in your countries...create this change yourself...Don't wait for the UN or don't wait for your governments to deliver on these solutions...It is our future. We have to take matters into our own hands.”

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Jayathma Wickramanayake, Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth, UNGA76