



# **MAJOR UN CONFERENCES & NGO PARTICIPATION**

# ECOSOC - Functional Commissions & Expert Bodies

Commission for Social  
Development



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Commission on the Status of  
Women

Permanent Forum on Indigenous  
Issues

# Commission for Social Development

- ▶ Since First World Social Summit - Copenhagen 1995
  - ▶ 34 members
- ▶ People at center of development
  - ▶ Eradicate poverty
  - ▶ Social Integration
  - ▶ Employment and decent work

CSocD 64

February 2-11, 2026

► Priority Theme:

Advancing social development & social justice through coordinated, equitable and inclusive policies

# Commission on the Status of Women

Since 1946 -  
Equality of Women  
45 members

Monitor and review  
progress in  
Implementation of Beijing  
Declaration & Platform of  
Action -1995

# CSW 70

## March 9-20, 2026

### ► Priority Theme

Ensuring and strengthening access to justice for all women and girls, including by promoting inclusive and equitable legal systems, eliminating discriminatory laws, policies, and practices, and addressing structural barriers

### ► Review theme

Women's full and effective participation and decision making in public life, as well as the elimination of violence, for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls

# Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

- Since 2000
  - 16 members
- High level advisory board to ECOSOC
- Deals with indigenous issues related to economic issues, social development, culture, environment, education, health, . . .

**PFI 25**

**April 20-May 1, 2026**

► **Theme:**

Ensuring indigenous peoples' health  
including in the context of conflict



# NGO Participation in Commissions

## NGO Committees

## Participation in Meetings

Presence (limited #)

Written Statements

Oral Statements

Side events

Parallel events

# CSocD 64: February 2-11, 2026

## ► Civil Society Forum

Organized by NGO CSocD

Raise awareness on the Priority Theme

Bringing voices, experiences, and  
recommendations from the grassroots

Civil Society Declaration

# CSW 70: March 9-20, 2026

## ► NGO CSW Forum

To connect civil society, non-governmental organizations, and feminists with the official UN CSW process.

To foster advocacy at the UN  
Parallel to the CSW

High Level  
Political  
Forum on  
Sustainable  
Development

Since 2017

Follow-up and review of the  
2030 Agenda and its  
17 Sustainable  
Development Goals.

Voluntary National Reviews

# HLPF 2026:

## July 6-15, 2026

- ▶ Theme: Transformative, equitable, innovative and coordinated actions for the 2030 Agenda and its SDGs for a sustainable future for all.
- ▶ Review of SDGs 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation), 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy), 9 (Industry Innovation and Infrastructure), 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), and 17 (Partnerships)
- ▶ Voluntary National Reviews

# NGO Participation in the HLPF

- Side events
- Written statements
- Input for VNRs
  - In-country process (facilitated by governments)
  - MGoS VNR Teams (join with guidance from JCoR)