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| A guide to participating in the 2017 HLPF, through the NGO Major Group |



WHAT High Level Political Forum 2017

WHEN 10-19 July 2017, 9.00 am to 6.00 pm

WHERE United Nations Headquarters, New York

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| *I’m new to the HLPF and have no idea where to start!* |

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| FullSizeRender.jpg | Do NGO MG, MGoS, CM mean anything to you? No? Don’t worry!  [>>Click here<<](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1F4BzW4d0mjR79CPtINfO2-n6zhgJkXFsre8fV2uHCj0) for our **Acronym Handbook**, where you will find all the UN terminology you need to get started*.* |
| SDGs.png | First, familiarise yourself with the Sustainable Development Knowledge Platform, [>>Click here<<](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf) for the **HLPF Homepage**. It includes info on the Voluntary National Reviews, MGoS inputs to the HLPF and more! |
| ngo mg logo.jpg | Next, [>>Click here<<](http://www.ngomg.org) for the **NGO Major Group website**. It includes our Mission and Vision Statements, our position and implementation papers and our events calendar. Check back regularly for more content. |
| File:Logo of Google Drive.png - Wikimedia Commons | While the website is being updated [>>Click here<<](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B2KMXP3wOv3-cjJ0eVZXWUktVGs) to access the NGO Major Group **Google Drive**: a haven of databases, meeting minutes, weekly digests, and a map. |
| FullSizeRender.jpg | Not sure where to go to and when? Have no fear, the **Events Calendar** is [>>Click here<<](http://www.ngomg.org/events.html). We’ve cheated slightly because this is in fact one of the pages on our website but it’s so good it’s worth mentioning twice! |

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| *I’ve been to the HLPF before but I need to get up to speed quickly. Where next?* |

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| shutterstock-64580965.jpg | [>>Click here<<](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1JMk7GY2IJLJc4smNlr9Yg1-mQFRY4Yer25ARPoQqF6I) for our simple **Step-by-Step Guide to Registration** at the 2017 High Level Political Forum. For quick future reference, this document will also be saved in our Google Drive [GD -> Google Drive].https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Gz22wALFY0V0NdUBAxJUNtieiBC1f1XQv65OkS6CRXM/edit |
| File:UN emblem blue.svg - Wikimedia Commons | Here is the Draft of the **HLPF daily programme.** [>>Click here<<](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B-KouuoeV182aTFYOTYxTVhORW8) to find out about each of the official sessions taking place between 10-19 July 2017 [GD]. |
| FullSizeRender.jpg | [>>Click here<<](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B-KouuoeV182c3JQRF9MVzBCRXM) to enter our folder dedicated to the drafts, letters and inputs regarding the **Ministerial Declaration**. The Permanent Representatives of Austria and Jamaica will be the co-facilitators [GD]. |

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| *What has the NGO MG been doing recently?* |

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| ngo mg logo.jpg | The **NGO Major Group Official Position Paper** can be found when you [>>Click here<<](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B-KouuoeV182QmpTZFZOTXdtalE). It has been translated into Spanish, French & Catalan so far. This is also where we’ll be storing our Implementation Papers. |
| Free stock photos of microphone · Pexels | We also submitted an application for a **Side Event**. The deadline has now passed but if you [>>Click here<<](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B-KouuoeV182RERCUFUxMWp5Znc) you can find our submission. |
| Free photo: Writing, Write, Fountain Pen, Ink - Free Image on ... | [>>Click here<<](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B-KouuoeV182S2ZNNFh4by1WMnM) to read through the NGO Major Group’s **Monthly Meeting Minutes**. The Extended May Meeting is choc-full of useful info and our advocacy strategy. Make sure you come to the next one! |
| Free illustration: Mail, Message, Email, Send Message - Free Image ... | Your thirst for NGO Major Group info still unquenched!? [>>Click here<<](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B2KMXP3wOv3-WmNtTWhIaHc3VVk) and we have a link to our **Weekly Digests** which come out twice a week. They include all info on NGO and UN events, updates and publications. |

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| *I would really like to join the NGO MG at the HLPF. What can I do?* |

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|  | *July 14th Baha’i Office ????* |
|  | *Daily Briefings at HLPF- time and location will follow* |
|  | *Coordinating Statements - contact Dan for further info* |

NGO MG has put together an HLPF taskforce in preparing for this event. We are looking for volunteers! If you are interested in helping out with any of these tasks, the point- people and their contact information is listed below. I invite you to reach out to them directly.

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| *We need some assistance getting our organization’s message out there at the HLPF. What can the NGO Major Group help us with?* |

As we are located here in New York and understand what many find to be a confusing and intimidating bureaucratic structure, we would like to offer our assistance in amplifying your message while you are here at the HLPF. We can do this in a few ways:

1. Leveraging our **social media network** to help get your message out there, including posting any reports or thematic papers on our website.
2. **Connecting you with representatives of your country’s permanent mission** here at the United Nations.
3. Assistance in **crafting or reviewing statement and/or policy proposals**.
4. **Connecting you with other NGO Major Group members** with similar missions.

[>>Click Here<<](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1367-QMJ_ZNGcDePyVuMqmJwRl0qdSENpw_rhOqOYOrc/viewform?edit_requested=true) to complete a survey to let us know what you would like help with, or contact either Judit Trasancos or Pamela Zivari (their contact information is above)

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