Preparatory Committee for the 2026 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

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Second session

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Information for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations

Summary

The present document provides preliminary information for participants at the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2026 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. Any necessary additional information will be provided closer to the date of the session. Documentation and other information will be posted, as it becomes available, on the website of the Preparatory Committee (https://meetings.unoda.org/npt-/treaty-on-the-non-proliferation-of-nuclear-weapons-preparatory-committee-for-the-eleventh-review-conference-second-session-2024).





I. Dates and venue

- 1. The second session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2026 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be held in room XIX in building E of the Palais des Nations in Geneva from 22 July to 2 August 2024.
- 2. The second session will be a nine-day meeting. The opening meeting will begin at 10 a.m. on Monday, 22 July. No plenary meetings will be held on 1 August, as the Palais des Nations will be closed for a public holiday.

II. List of speakers and general debate

- 3. The list of speakers for the general debate will be open from 10 a.m. (New York time) on 24 June 2024. States parties wishing to add the names of their representatives to the list of speakers for the general debate are invited to contact the secretariat (npt@un.org).
- 4. Given that a large number of States parties are expected to take part in the debate, national statements should be limited to five minutes and statements on behalf of groups of States parties to eight minutes. Similarly, statements in exercise of the right of reply should not exceed five minutes for the first intervention and three minutes for the second. Longer statements, submitted in writing, will be reflected on the website of the Preparatory Committee (https://meetings.unoda.org/npt-/treaty-on-the-non-proliferation-of-nuclear-weapons-preparatory-committee-for-the-eleventh-review-conference-second-session-2024).
- 5. Delegations are kindly asked to provide their statements in advance for the interpretation services. Owing to liquidity constraints, the United Nations Office at Geneva will no longer collect paper copies of statements and speeches for the interpreters. Instead, delegations should send an electronic copy of their statement to speeches@un.org and clearly indicate the meeting ("NPT PrepCom"), agenda item title and number and delegation name in the subject line of the email.
- 6. In addition, delegations are kindly requested to email electronic versions of their statements to the secretariat (npt@un.org) as early as possible, for posting on the website of the Preparatory Committee, and to clearly indicate the meeting (NPT PrepCom), agenda item title and number and delegation name in the subject line of the email.

III. List of participants

7. States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations are requested to provide, in writing, the composition of their delegations at the session, as soon as possible and by no later than 24 June 2024. Lists of participants should be submitted in Microsoft Word format, under cover of a note verbale from an embassy, the permanent mission or the ministry of foreign affairs and should be sent by email to the secretariat (npt@un.org).

IV. Accreditation and registration procedures

8. All members of delegations to the Preparatory Committee, unless they are already in possession of a valid grounds pass to the United Nations Office at Geneva, are requested to register using the Indico platform

(https://indico.un.org/event/1007190/) by no later than 21 June 2024. Registrations will be processed only for members of delegations who are included on their delegation's list of participants (see section III).

- 9. Within 48 hours of submitting their registration, participants should receive an email from the Indico system approving their registration and providing a QR code for a digital badge to the Palais des Nations. If participants do not receive this email they should notify the secretariat by email to npt@un.org.
- 10. On the first day of the session, participants will be asked to scan their digital badge on the readers at the badging desks at the Pass and Identification Unit at the Pregny Gate of the Palais des Nations and to present a piece of valid photo identification. Once verified, the digital badge will be activated, and participants will be able to enter the Palais throughout the session. In addition to the electronic access control, physical screening will be conducted as usual. For more information, please refer to the instructional video on the digital badge system, available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GtItcHpaiyE.
- 11. The regular working hours of the Pass and Identification Unit are from 8 a.m. to 4.45 p.m., from Monday to Friday. Digital badges can be activated from 22 July until the last day of the session (2 August).

V. Documentation

- 12. All documents and statements for the session will be available on the website of the Preparatory Committee (https://meetings.unoda.org/npt-/treaty-on-the-non-proliferation-of-nuclear-weapons-preparatory-committee-for-the-eleventh-review-conference-second-session-2024).
- 13. Pursuant to the guidelines of the General Assembly on the submission of documents (in particular, Assembly resolutions 52/214, 53/208 and 59/265), documents submitted by States parties should not exceed 20 pages (10,700 words). However, it is strongly recommended that documents not exceed 5 single-spaced pages (2,675 words), to reduce costs, facilitate translation and ensure timely issuance. Given the special circumstances under which the Review Conference and its Preparatory Committee work, States parties should submit pre-session documentation, including reports and working papers, to the secretariat at least eight weeks before the start of the second session of the Preparatory Committee and by no later than 27 May 2024, to facilitate translation into the official languages and issuance two weeks prior to the session. In order to comply with these requirements, delegations are encouraged to provide only new information when submitting reports. States parties are requested to submit documents in Microsoft Word format to Gunther Pointner (pointner@un.org), with a copy to the secretariat (npt@un.org), clearly indicating the meeting ("NPT PrepCom") in the subject line of the email. It should be noted that email submissions become valid only upon acknowledgement of receipt by the secretariat.

VI. Side events and exhibitions

14. The number of rooms available for side events during the session is limited. However, States and international organizations that plan to hold a side event utilizing United Nations facilities can apply for consideration by completing the side event request form (annex I) and submitting it to the secretariat (npt@un.org) by no later than 27 May 2024. The availability of facilities is not guaranteed, and applications will be considered with attention to the needs and requirements of the applicant. It

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should be noted that email submissions become valid only upon acknowledgement of receipt by the secretariat.

15. Limited space is available for exhibitions. To request the use of such space, applicants should complete the exhibition request form (annex II) and email it to the secretariat (npt@un.org) as soon as possible and by no later than 27 May 2024. The availability of facilities is not guaranteed, and applications will be considered with attention to the needs and requirements of the applicant. It should be noted that email submissions become valid only upon acknowledgement of receipt by the secretariat. Exhibitions may involve additional costs to be borne by the requester.

VII. Secretariat

- 16. The secretariat can be contacted at npt@un.org.
- 17. A provisional list of secretariat officials is provided below.

Area of responsibility	Name
Secretary	Christopher King
Non-governmental organizations	Diane Barnes
Side events/exhibitions	Erika Kawahara/Hyoung Rark Cho
Documentation	Gunther Pointner
Participant list	Lucia Andaya
Speakers list	Erika Kawahara

Annex I

Side event request form

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Please fill in all fields. This form must be returned by email to the Office for Disarmament Affairs (npt@un.org) by 27 May 2024. Late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered under any circumstances.

	Profile of the organizer							
1.	Submission date (DD/MM/YYYY)							
2.	Organizer name(s)							
3.	Main activities of the organization and website of the organization							
4.	Has the applicant organized an NPT side event in the past?	Yes (please indic	ate year o	of most recent	event)		☐ No	
	Profile of the event							
5.	Title of the event							
6.	Brief description of the event							
7.	Sponsors (if any)							
	Planning requirements							
8.	Proposed date and time	First preference			Second prefe	erence		
	All side events shall be held during							
	lunch hour, beginning at 1.15 p.m. and ending at 2.30 p.m.	From:	To:		From:		To:	
9.	Details of the intended audience							
	and expected number of							
	participants (including presenters and other attendees)							
10	. Equipment and technical services							
10	requested (PC and projector are							
	provided). Nameplates are not							
	included. Any costs will be borne by the requester.							
	2, 4							
11	. Name of speaker	Title		Affiliation		Need 1	or temp	orary badge
(1)						☐ Yes		☐ No
(2))					☐ Yes		☐ No
(3))					☐ Yes		☐ No
-		Total numb	er of tem	porary badge	es required:			
Total number of temporary badges required: (Please notify us immediately of any change in the request.)								
	Contact information							
12	. Main contact person	Name:				Tel.:		
		Address:				Email:		
13	. Alternate contact person	Name:				Tel.:		
1		Address:				Email:		

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By submitting this request form, you shall be deemed to have accepted the following terms and conditions:

- (a) Side event must be open to all participants at the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2026 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;
- (b) Side event organizers shall be responsible for ensuring access to United Nations premises by their event participants. The Office for Disarmament Affairs will not facilitate these arrangements;
- (c) Side event organizers shall be responsible for delivering, storing, distributing and removing their materials for their events. The United Nations will not receive or store any materials on behalf of side event organizers;
 - (d) United Nations interpretation services are not available for side events;
 - (e) Side event organizers shall be responsible for publicizing their events;
- (f) Confirmation of the programme of side events for the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2026 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will take place after the deadline for the submission of request forms. The United Nations will not respond to any requests for earlier confirmation. All communication will be directed to the designated contact persons only;
 - (g) Side event organizers shall assume full financial responsibility for event-related costs, risks and damages;
- (h) The United Nations may withdraw its confirmation of side events at any time and without incurring any liability in the event of extraordinary unforeseen circumstances.

Signed by:	Date:
(Authorized representative of the requester)	

Note: Food and drinks are strictly prohibited in the conference rooms. Activities involving food and drinks are allowed only in the areas designated for that purpose. The United Nations will not facilitate such arrangements. Please note that your event must be adjourned in a timely manner and the participants must vacate the room at the stipulated time (no exceptions). A delayed start time, regardless of the reason (e.g. delayed ending of a prior meeting), will not permit an extension of the end time of your event. The audio feed for your event will be terminated promptly at the end of the stipulated time period, and service providers will begin preparing the room for the meeting to follow; no exceptions will be made.

Annex II

Exhibition application form

(State parties/intergovernmental organizations only)

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Please fill in all fields. This form must be returned by email to the Office for Disarmament Affairs (npt@un.org) by 27 May 2024. Late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered under any circumstances.

(Official use only)	Received on (DD/MM/YYYY)	Rejected: Late application Incomplete (#) Other ()			
1. Date of application (DD/MM/YYYY)					
	Profile of the organizer				
2. Exhibitor(s) (e.g. name of photographer/ artist)					
3. Organizer(s) (e.g. name of organization presenting the exhibition)					
4. Endorsed by (name of Permanent Mission)					
5. Has the applicant organized an NPT exhibition in the past?					
Profile of	the exhibition and planning requi	rements			
6. Title of the exhibition					
7. Request for support (e.g. panels, hanging materials)					
8. Brief description of the size and physical content of the exhibition	Size (H × W × D in centimetres)	Medium (photo, sculpture, etc.)			
9. Proposed date and time of set-up and breakdown					
10. Attach a full, non-returnable portfolio in electronic format, including all exhibition items and all texts or captions to be displayed, plus audio or video if applicable.					
Delivery and installation					
The United Nations Secretariat does not receive or store any materials on behalf of the organizers. The Secretariat refuses to take any delivery of exhibition items and shall be not responsible for such items.					

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(Authorized representative of the requester)

Contact information				
11. Main contact person	Name:			
Mailing address:				
Email:	Tel.:			
12. Alternate contact person	Name:			
Mailing address:				
Email:	Tel.:			
We agree to assume full responsibility for delivering, insuring, storing, installing, maintaining, dismantling, crating, shipping and publicizing our exhibition, for the storage of shipping and packing cases during the exhibition and for all related costs, including all costs incurred for the requested equipment and services.				
We agree to the following terms and conditions:				
(a) All materials must be submitted for review at least four weeks prior to the proposed date of the exhibition. If that timeline is not observed, the intended time slot may have to be changed.				
(b) All exhibition applications must be reviewed and approved by the secretariat;				
(c) The size of each exhibition will need to be determined based on the total number of accepted exhibitions. An exhibition request may be accepted subject to adaptation;				
(d) Confirmation of exhibitions will be sent out by email as soon as an indicative schedule of exhibitions is finalized. The United Nations will not respond to any request for earlier confirmation;				
(e) Sales are not allowed in the Palais des Nations exhibition areas or elsewhere on the premises;				
(f) The United Nations reserves the right to determine the exact location and display of each exhibition. The United Nations may withdraw its confirmation of exhibitions at any time and without incurring any liability in the event of extraordinary unforeseen circumstances.				
Signed by: Date:				