

## Special Accreditation for the Second World Summit for Social Development

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The application period for special accreditation to participate in the Second World Summit for Social Development opened on **28 April 2025**. The original deadline of 13 June 2025 has now been extended to **20 June 2025**.

Participation of representatives from non-governmental organizations and other relevant stakeholders at the Summit is guided by General Assembly resolution 78/318.

Accreditation is mandatory for all stakeholders wishing to attend the Summit and its related events. Accreditation granted for other UN Conferences does not transfer to WSSD2.

APPLY HERE: [click here](#)

### What is special accreditation?

Special accreditation is the official process that allows civil society organizations, private sector companies, foundations, academia, and other stakeholders to access and take part in the Summit and its side events.

### Who is NOT required to apply for special accreditation?

- Member States
- UN System, Specialized Agencies and Related Organizations
- UN Secretariat
- Organization in consultative status with ECOSOC
- Intergovernmental organization with observer status at the UN General Assembly

### I do not belong to any organization. Can I attend?

Unfortunately, no. You cannot attend the Summit as an individual. Participants must be associated with an accredited organization. Accredited organizations will be able to register their authorized representatives for the Summit.

## **What documents are required for your organization to get accredited?**

To complete the accreditation process, you must provide the following documents:

**1. Expression of Interest:**

A signed letter on official letterhead from the organization's head requesting accreditation.

Example: Find the sample letter [here](#).

**2. Proof of Legal Status:**

Government-issued documents confirming your organization's legal status.

Examples: proof of incorporation, 501 (c)(3) filing status, certificate of registry, etc.

**3. Activity Report:**

A list of the organization's relevant social development activities in the past 12 months.

## **What happens after submitting the application?**

UN-NGLS (United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service) will review your application to ensure it meets the criteria outlined in the form.

A list of organizations meeting the criteria will be submitted to the Office of the President of the General Assembly (OPGA).

OPGA circulates the list to UN Member States for approval on a non-objection basis.

The approved list will be published by OPGA, and you will receive an email notification regarding your status.

Decisions are not made on a rolling basis; you will be notified when the review process is complete.

## **Important Note:**

Special accreditation status does not include registration for representatives to attend the Summit. All participants, including representatives from accredited organizations, must complete a separate registration process. Registration information will be available on the Summit website soon.

## **Need Assistance?**

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