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MEDIA ACCREDITATION NOW OPEN FOR THE 2026 UN BIODIVERSITY CONFERENCE

2026 UN Biodiversity Conference (COP 17, CP-MOP 12, and NP-MOP 6)

19 – 30 October 2026 | Yerevan, Armenia

Invitation to media to register for accreditation

Online connection information coming soon

The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity is now accepting media accreditation requests for the [2026 UN Biodiversity Conference](#), including the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 17) and meetings of the Nagoya and Cartagena Protocols (MOPs 6 and 12, respectively), taking place in Yerevan, Armenia, 19 – 30 October 2026.

In-person media accreditation can be requested [here](#). Please note, to ensure the orderly management of media accreditation, journalists must register by **15th September 2026**. On-site media accreditation will not be available. Only journalists who have completed the accreditation process and received confirmation from the Secretariat will be granted access to the Conference and media facilities. Freelancers must provide a valid assignment letter. Double accreditation (e.g. as both media and a delegate) is not permitted.

Accredited media representatives will have access to designated media facilities and events during the Conference, including press conferences and media briefings.

An opening press conference will also be held in a hybrid format. Information on the opening press conference, including how to register for online participation, will be shared closer to the Conference.

Media accreditation: Create an account and [register online](#) here.

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Why it matters:

The 2026 United Nations Biodiversity Conference (COP 17, CP-MOP 12, and NP-MOP 6) will bring together Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, and the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing to negotiate and adopt decisions that will shape international biodiversity policy and implementation in the years ahead.

At COP 15 in Montreal in 2022, Parties adopted the [Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework](#) (KMGBF), establishing four global goals for 2050 and 23 targets for 2030 to halt and reverse biodiversity loss. Four years later, the 2026 UN Biodiversity Conference (COP 17) will bring together governments and stakeholders for the first [Global Review](#) of collective progress at the



midpoint of implementation of the Framework, alongside decisions to strengthen the science-policy interface and advance implementation of the Convention and its protocols.

Official information and documents:

[Main conference page](#)

[Conference media page](#)

Live streaming: Key sessions and briefings will be streamed at [UN Web TV](#).

Travel / logistics: Media are responsible for their own travel and accommodation.

Visa and hotel info is in the [Information Note for Participants](#).

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