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BUILDINGS AND CLIMATE

Global Forum

Pre-program

Paris, March 7-8 2024



Date: 7-8 March 2024

Location: Palais des Congrès, Paris, France

Format: Only in-person.

Access to the Forum : invited and accredited persons only

Language: English only for all the sessions on 7 March. English-French translation is available for the Ministerial sessions on 8 March.

Organisers: Government of France and United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), with the support of the Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction (GlobalABC)

Participants

This event is **by invitation only** and aims to bring together invited participants, including ministers, national and sub-national governments, various actors of the value chain (Investors & asset managers, property developers, insurers & reinsurers, product manufacturers, Architecture, engineering and construction actors, property & facility managers, academia, philanthropists, etc.) and international organisations engaged in the decarbonisation and resilience of the buildings sector.

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Event description

The Buildings and Climate Global Forum, co-organised by France and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), with the support of the Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction aims to gather for the first time ministers and high-level representatives of key organizations, to initiate a new impetus in international collaboration for building decarbonisation and resilience after the Conference of the Parties (COP) 28.

During two days, this Forum will provide a unique **opportunity to engage with ministers** in charge of decarbonisation and resilience of the buildings, real estate, and construction sectors **from all world regions**.

High-level representatives and experts of **key stakeholder organisations** will be invited, across the entire buildings sector value chain, including local authorities, NGOs, and businesses.

Many sessions on key topics, CEO and ministerial roundtables, plenary meetings, solution exhibitions, and pitches will provide the opportunity to exchange, network and work together. Governments will be invited to endorse **a common declaration** outlining common principles and cooperation framework for global efforts to achieve decarbonisation and climate change resilience in the buildings sector. All stakeholders of the buildings sector will be invited to disclose **specific engagements to support the Forum's ambition**.

Outcomes

- Governments will be invited to endorse a joint statement "Déclaration de Chaillot", setting common principles and a cooperation framework
- All stakeholders of the buildings sector will be invited to disclose specific engagements (i.e. commitments and contributions)
- Organisations and stakeholder groups will be invited to disclose priority actions, e.g., for governments, Buildings Breakthrough priority actions for 2024.





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THURSDAY, MARCH 7th. 2024	
8.30	Welcome coffee
9.30-10.10	Opening plenary Towards a zero-emission, efficient and resilient buildings and construction sector, where do we stand?
10.30-11.45	Thematic sessions: Round 1 Session 1: Role of local authorities and multilevel governance Session 2: Buildings and the energy system Session 3: Affordable, adequate and sustainable housing Session 4: Transparency framework for building standards and certifications Session 5: Circular economy in the built environment: A solution to the triple planetary crisis
12.15-1.30	Thematic sessions: Round 2 Session 1: Urban planning Session 2: Equipment for sustainable clean, heating and cooling Session 3: Development banks & financing sustainable development through buildings Session 4: Decarbonizing building materials: Cement, steel, bricks, glazing, insulation Session 5: Decarbonization of public buildings, Sustainable procurement for buildings
	Lunch break, exhibition, networking
2.30-3.45	Thematic sessions: Round 3 Session 1: Heritage and existing built environment solutions for climate mitigation, adaptation, and capacity building Session 2: Passive design for cooling: Heat waves and resilient buildings Session 3: Navigating a shifting climate: Assets and insurable buildings worldwide Session 4: Data, LCA and knowledge Session 5: Accelerating the use of wood as a low-carbon building material Session 6: local authorities roundtable
4.15-5.30	Thematic sessions: Round 4 Session 1: Green and resilient employment transition, climate impacts and working conditions Session 2: Buildings' sufficiency Session 3: From bits to bricks: How research, innovation and digitalisation drive sustainable construction Session 4: Private Finance supporting the net zero transition for buildings Session 5: Achieving climate-resilient buildings
4.00-5.30	CEO closed-door roundtable
5.30-6.30	Welcome cocktail





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FRIDAY, MARCH 8th. 2024 – MINISTERIAL DIALOGUE DAY	
8.30	Welcome coffee
9.00-10.00	Stakeholders plenary
9.30-10.10	Ministerial meeting (reserved access) <i>Déclaration de Chaillot: Together for Implementation</i>
11.30-13.00	Ministerial Roundtables Session 1: Acting on Buildings to Achieve National Decarbonisation Goals Session 2: Scaling up Climate Finance for Buildings
	Lunch break, exhibition, networking
2.30-4.00	Ministerial Roundtables Session 1: Ensuring a Just transition in the built environment Session 2: Accelerating collective action for building decarbonization and resilience
4.30-5.15	Closing plenary Build Our Future: From Paris to Bélem

Exhibition and pitches

These will take place in parallel in the same venue during 7-8 March from 10.00am to 6.00pm. Construction21 is in charge of the organisation and coordination.

