

# INFORMATION NOTE

as of 3 November 2025

## OVERVIEW

The **Global Refugee Forum Progress Review (GRF Progress Review)**, the second high-level official's meeting, will provide an opportunity for senior government officials and representatives of relevant stakeholder groups to take stock of progress made toward achieving the objectives of the Global Compact on Refugees, including through the pledges and contributions made and initiatives announced at the first and second Global Refugee Forums in 2019 and 2023.

### CO-HOSTS

Switzerland · UNHCR

### CO-CONVENORS

Colombia · France · Japan  
Jordan · Uganda

### WEBPAGE LINK



CICG, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND



15-17 DECEMBER 2025

## PARTICIPATION

Participation is by invitation only

Deadline to confirm participation > **1 December 2025**

### States · Intergovernmental organizations

Note verbale with:

- names and titles of all members of the delegation
- members in order of seniority
- head of delegation indicated



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**Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) · Refugee-led organizations (RLOs) · Refugees · Religious leadership · Sport organizations · Academia · City networks · Parliamentary networks · Private sector · UN entities**

UNHCR stakeholder group focal points will provide further information regarding participation, including submission of a letter of accreditation.

## REGISTRATION

All participants including those holding an identification badge from the UN Office at Geneva, must register on **Indico**

Indico will close on **1 December 2025**

- The Indico **registration link** will be shared separately with the respective stakeholder groups.
- The same email address **cannot be used for multiple participants**.
- A **digital passport-like picture** must be attached to the registration form.
- A copy of the **note verbale or letter of accreditation** submitted to UNHCR must be attached.

Once the Indico registration has been approved, participants will receive a **digital QR code** (or e-badge) by email. Participants will be asked to scan their e-badge from their mobile phone at the entrance of the CICG.



Participants with special needs who require assistance to enter the CICG, or with respect to seating and other arrangements, are invited to contact the Secretariat for support at [hqgovern@unhcr.org](mailto:hqgovern@unhcr.org).

## SPEAKING ARRANGEMENTS

- **There will not be a formal list of speakers** for the Global Refugee Forum Progress Review, and protocol will not be adhered to, in order to ensure participation from all stakeholder groups. This is in line with the spirit of the Global Compact on Refugees and the precedent established at previous less formal multi-stakeholder meetings.
- Delegations wishing to make an intervention in plenary will be required to **raise their nameplates**.
- Due to the limited time available in plenary, delegations are **encouraged to avoid formal statements** and to keep their interventions as focused as possible, highlighting key developments and gaps in implementation.
- Participants will be asked to limit their interventions to **three minutes**.
- Please note that **there will be no opportunity for statements from groups of States** during the plenary discussion, given the nature of the meeting and limited time available. Nevertheless, written group statements may be submitted to the conference Secretariat ([hqgovern@unhcr.org](mailto:hqgovern@unhcr.org)) for posting on the Progress Review webpage.

## INTERPRETATION

- Interpretation for the plenary will be in all **six United Nations languages** (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish).
- Delegations with prepared statements are kindly asked to share them in advance with the secretariat at [hqgovern@unhcr.org](mailto:hqgovern@unhcr.org).

## LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

- The **provisional list of participants** will be made available on **11 December 2025**.
- Any **amendments** should be communicated to the secretariat at [hqgovern@unhcr.org](mailto:hqgovern@unhcr.org).

## PLENARY SEATING

- **States** will be allocated 2 seats per delegation, and **other stakeholders** 1 seat per delegation.
- After the co-host and co-convenor States, the first seat will be occupied by **Niger** and follow in English alphabetical order. Intergovernmental organizations, United Nations entities and other entities with observer status in the General Assembly will follow.
- Other stakeholders, including representatives of academia, city networks, the private sector, nongovernmental organizations, organizations led by forcibly displaced and stateless persons, religious leaders, sport organizations, refugees, and parliamentary networks, will have **dedicated seating**.

## OTHER INFORMATION

- The GRF Progress Review will be **webcast** on the [event webpage](#).
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#).
- For media inquiries, please contact Ms. Carlotta Wolf at [wolf@unhcr.org](mailto:wolf@unhcr.org).