

23rd session of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration

Conference room 1
UN Headquarters, New York
15-19 April 2024

UPDATED- Participation of observers

Registered observers will be able to participate in-person in the 23rd session of CEPA or follow the proceedings remotely. The different modalities are described below.

In-person participation

Registered observers may attend the 23rd session in-person in Conference room 1. A separate information note describes logistical details. Please be advised that, in the case of observers, all arrangements for travel, visa, and accommodation, as well as related expenses, including health insurance while in New York, will be the responsibility of the traveler.

Remote following of proceedings

Remote observers are invited to follow the 23rd session live on [UN WebTV](#).

Registration

[REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED]

Written inputs

Observers are encouraged to contribute by submitting written inputs in advance of the meeting on the substantive issues to be discussed by the Committee. Guidelines and a template for written inputs can be found [here](#). Written inputs can be sent via email to dpidg@un.org.

Observer interventions during the session

Observer interventions during discussion of each substantive agenda item

In Conference room 1: Observers may request the floor on an ad-hoc basis during the discussion of each substantive agenda item and may be given the floor at the discretion of the Chair, time permitting. Interventions from observers will be limited to 3 minutes.

Via online form: Registered observers following the proceedings remotely via [UN WebTV](#) may comment and pose questions using a dedicated online form, which they will receive via e-mail and will be monitored by the Chair and CEPA Secretariat. Questions and comments will be addressed at the discretion of the Chair, time permitting.

Dedicated consultation with observers

In addition, observers may participate in a dedicated consultation with CEPA members that will take place on Wednesday, 17 April 2024 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. EST under the theme “New governance insights to advance the SDGs and eradicate poverty”. This consultation is intended to give a wide range of observers a chance to weigh in on the Committee’s deliberations and is an integral part of the session.

A limited number of pre-selected speakers will be invited to present their evidence-based views of key elements missing from the discussions held during the first part of the 23rd session and/or that they deem to have insufficiently been addressed by the recommendations contained in the expert papers prepared for the session.

Speakers will be pre-selected taking into account geographic, institutional and gender balance, as well as relevance of proposed interventions to the Committee’s deliberations. Each observer will be given a maximum of 3 minutes to speak on one specific agenda item in a “lightening round” format. The observers may refer to points raised in their own written inputs, where relevant, or to new insights. Upon the discretion of the Chair, they might also be asked to respond to the reaction of Committee members.

Once all programmed speakers have presented their views, the Chair may open the floor for responses and reflections by CEPA members and others. In the open discussion, questions from remote observers using the above-mentioned online form could also be addressed. Additional observers, if present in the conference room and time permitting, could be invited to speak at the discretion of the Chair.

Wednesday, 17 April	
Morning meeting 10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Dedicated consultation with observers Theme: New governance insights to advance the SDGs and eradicate poverty Moderated by the Chair, supported by Vice-Chair(s) Lightning round of contributions by observers Reaction by CEPA members Open discussion