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Climate Week New York 2022 (CWNYC): 19 – 25 September 2022

Climate Week New York City 2022 (CWNYC) marks its fourteenth year as the largest climate event of its kind. CWNYC, hosted at different venues throughout New York City, brings together some of the most influential leaders invested in collective solutions to climate change, from businesses, government as well as the broader climate change community.

Hosted annually by The Climate Group, in conjunction with the United Nations and City of New York, CWNYC is an opportunity for businesses and civil society globally to come together and accelerate climate change ambitions and action. CWNYC aims to inspire and create a global platform for connection and discussion.

As in 2021, this year's event theme is again focused on 'Getting it Done.' This places emphasis on the necessity to do more, and to increase ambition by business, civil society and government.

Climate Group hosts a programme of in-person events in New York, which include the live opening ceremony, as well as the Hub Live. These two platforms bring together a global audience of senior leaders who are advocating for enhanced climate ambition. Topics for this year's CWNYC have been organized into various event themes:

- Built Environment
- Energy

- Environmental Justice
- Transport
- Finance
- Sustainable Living
- Nature
- Policy
- Industry
- Food

How to participate in CWNYC

CWNYC is offered in a hybrid format. If you would like to participate in person, you may attend any of the events where hosts will register you. Participants are encouraged to look at the **events page** if you are looking to attend a specific event.

For those attending virtually, events can be live streamed off **CWNYC's Facebook Watch page** and you do not need to register to attend online.

Registration for CWNYC is now open across the themes mentioned above. If you are a business, organization, community group, non-profit or any other type of organization, you are invited and encouraged to participate in CWNYC events. You can register <u>here</u>.

Key CWNYC Events 2022

The NBI has selected two not-to-be missed events which have key speakers in the sustainability space.

Industry:

Kick starting the Renewable Energy era at COP 27 on September 22, 2022: The world being inflicted by a global energy crisis, due to the war in Ukraine, has sparked a realization of the world's reliance on fossil fuels. Without accelerating the scale-up to utilizing renewables, we will miss our target to being net-zero by 2050. COP27 is another opportunity for governments around the world to action their commitments to combatting climate change, as well as implementing clear and practical plans to achieve a clean and affordable energy system based on renewables. This event is hosted by Global Wind Energy Council, and also marks the week of the launch of the global Wind Energy Manifesto for COP27.

This is a virtual event taking place at 16:00 SAST. To register for this event, click <u>here</u>.

Policy:

Re-imagining Africa's economies towards sustainable, inclusive, net-zero and climate resilient futures: What is the role of business? An engagement with businesses from Kenya, South Africa, Nigeria and Egypt on September 22, 2022: The National Business Initiative (NBI) in partnership with The African Climate Foundation (ACF) bring you an event focusing on effective climate response, which is deeply connected to South Africa's development. Addressing the interface between climate action, just

transitions, development, finance as well as investment, and including participation from the private sector in Africa is essential to realise the vast opportunities across the continent. This dialogue provides an opportunity for listeners to better understand Africa's broader context and challenges, as well as opportunities for shared learning and achieving the Just Transition across the entire African continent. **To attend this virtual event, register <u>here.</u>**

Visit the Climate Week New York 2022 <u>website</u> for more information on how to attend these events. For more information on the lineup of events, access the programme <u>here</u>.







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