On 2 December 2021, the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) will launch the 2022 Global Humanitarian Overview (GHO) in Geneva. Five sequential presentations of the 2022 GHO will follow in Berlin, Brussels, London, Stockholm and Washington, D.C.

The GHO is the world’s most comprehensive, authoritative, and evidence-based assessment of humanitarian needs. It reflects global trends and the drivers of humanitarian need, including climate change and extreme weather events, conflict, economic crises, disease outbreaks, and the immediate and longer-term impact of COVID-19. The GHO presents annual requirements for inter-agency appeals and explores opportunities to collectively deliver humanitarian assistance more efficiently and in a timely manner.

The overarching theme for the 2022 GHO launches is *Climate Change and Humanitarian Action*. The climate crisis is not a distant future threat - it is already a key driver of increasing humanitarian needs and suffering. The launch in Geneva will discuss “*Climate Change and Responding to a More Challenging Humanitarian Landscape*” and aims to:

- Present the prioritized humanitarian needs in more than 63 countries for 2022.
- Present the financial requirements for the 2022 Humanitarian Response Plans and other inter-agency appeals.
- Amplify the voices of affected people, particularly women and girls.
- Acknowledge the generosity of donors.
- Promote effective and innovative humanitarian financing tools.
Programme

The event in Geneva will run from 09:00am – 10:30am Central European / Geneva time and is divided into two segments.

The first segment will have opening remarks from the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator (USG/ERC), Mr. Martin Griffiths, followed by a welcome message from United Nations Secretary-General Mr. António Guterres. USG/ERC Griffiths will then present the latest humanitarian trends, analyses, challenges and opportunities, and provide an overview of coordinated plans for humanitarian response in 2022.

During the second segment, a high-level panel will discuss climate change and how it contributes to a more challenging humanitarian response for vulnerable people in countries with humanitarian crises or in communities at risk of sudden-onset disasters.

The panel will include the following experts:

- **Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus**, Director-General of the World Health Organisation (confirmed)
- **Ms. Hajiya Sadiya Umar Farouq**, Minister of Humanitarian Affairs, Disaster Management and Social Development of Nigeria (TBC)
- **Ms. Lydia Zigomo, Global Programmes Director**, Oxfam International (TBC)
- Representative of donor country (TBC)
- Representative of national NGO/civil society organisation (TBC)

**Ms. Nima Elbagir**, CNN International, will moderate the session. Invited Government officials, parliamentarians and representatives of humanitarian agencies, civil society, the private sector and academia will have the opportunity to engage with the panel speakers.

Logistics

This will be a hybrid event (virtual and in-person), with limited in-person participation, subject to and in accordance with the UN’s COVID-19 guidelines. Registration is required for in-person attendance. To register, please click [https://indico.un.org/event/37133/](https://indico.un.org/event/37133/).

The event will be live webcast on **UN Web TV** with no registration required.

For more information, please visit the GHO event website: [www.unocha.org/2022gho](http://www.unocha.org/2022gho)

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