

WTO MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE
Thirteenth Session
Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 26 – 29 February 2024

**REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE OF
NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AT THE THIRTEENTH SESSION
OF THE WTO MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE**

The following rules and procedures apply for registration and attendance of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) at the Thirteenth Session of the WTO Ministerial Conference (MC13) to be held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates from 26 – 29 February 2024:

- (i) registered NGOs will be allowed to attend the Plenary Sessions of the Ministerial Conference (without the right to speak);
- (ii) applications from NGOs that wish to be accredited are accepted on the basis of Article V, paragraph 2 of the WTO Agreement, i.e. NGOs "concerned with matters related to those of the WTO"; and
- (iii) NGOs that wish to register to attend the Conference should do so no later than 24 November 2023 (midnight, GMT).

Format

Information on the format of the Ministerial Conference will be communicated in due course.

Registration Process

NGOs wishing to attend MC13 will need to follow two steps as detailed below:

Step 1 - Request registration for your organization

NGOs that wish to attend the Conference will have to complete the online registration form which includes among others, providing evidence (reports, publications etc.) that demonstrate that their work is related to WTO issues. The requirement to provide evidence of WTO-related work is waived for NGOs which have attended at least one previous WTO Ministerial Conference.

The online NGO registration form can be found at <https://eregistration.wto.org/mc13/ngo/register/en>. As indicated under point (iii), please note that the deadline for NGOs to complete the online registration is **24 November 2023** (midnight, GMT).

Step 2 - Registering individual(s) from your organization

The online form to register individual NGO representative(s) will only be accessible for organizations whose registration request has been approved. Each organization can register up to four individuals. Individuals should be registered no later than 26 January 2024 (midnight, GMT). If all criteria have been fulfilled, final confirmation of registration will be sent soon thereafter.

In line with past practice, the final list of accredited NGOs will be circulated to all WTO Members for information.