



EIGHTH GEF ASSEMBLY
SAMARKAND 2026
UZBEKISTAN

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May 28, 2026

8th GEF Assembly
June 4-5, 2026
Samarkand, Uzbekistan

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE FOR THE EIGHTH GEF ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

13:00 – 13:30 **Legacy Art Work and Children Exhibition award**

14:00 – 18:30 **Civil Society Forum**

Thursday, June 4, 2026

09:00 – 12:00 **8th GEF Assembly**

- Election of the Chair
- Election of the Vice-Chairs
- Adoption of the Agenda
- Statement by the GEF Independent Evaluation Office
- Statement by the Scientific Technical Advisory Panel
- Statement by the Civil Society and IPLC
- Report on the GEF Trust Fund
- Report on the Ninth Replenishment of the GEF Trust Fund

12:00 – 13:00 **Opening Ceremony of the 8th GEF Assembly**

- Opening Film: global environmental challenges and Uzbekistan's role in international cooperation with the GEF
- Welcoming remarks by Government of Uzbekistan
- Opening Address by the GEF
- Cultural performance

13:00 – 14:30 **Lunch**

14:30 – 18:30 **Statements by Head of Delegations**

- Last sprint towards 2030: reflect on national priorities, outline environmental challenges and ambitions, key expectations for GEF-9

14:00 – 18:00 **High-level Round Tables**

Friday, June 5, 2026

09:00 – 12:30 **High-level Round Tables (continued)**

09:00 – 12:00 **Statements by Head of Delegations (continued)**

12:30 – 14:30 **Lunch**

14:30 – 16:30 **High-Level Plenary Session**

16:30 – 18:00

8th GEF Assembly

- Report on Membership, Credentials and Participants
- Presentation of Chair's Summary
- Closing remarks from Government of Uzbekistan
- Closing remarks GEF

18:00 – 22:00

GEF Reception