

# MINISTERS' MEETING ON CLIMATE, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

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## **ABOUT THE G7**

The Group of Seven (G7) is an informal forum that brings together Italy, Canada, France, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America. The European Union also participates in the Group and is represented at the summits by the President of the European Council and the President of the European Commission.

The Group was established as a platform for economic and financial cooperation in response to the 1973 energy crisis. The first Summit of Heads of State and Government was held in 1975 in Rambouillet, France.

Over the years G7 has progressively expanded its focus. From an *ad-hoc* gathering to discuss financial challenges, it has become a more formal, prominent venue to address major global issues. This evolution became even more evident at the beginning of the new millennium, as the G7 recognized the need for more technical and detailed discussions on these complex issues. Consequently, it initiated the first thematic Ministerial Meetings, to delve deeper into specific topics and bring more nuanced insights into the G7's deliberations.

Compared to an international organization, the G7 does not have a permanent administrative structure. Each year, starting from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January, one of the Member States takes over the leadership of the Group on a rotating basis. The Nation holding the Presidency serves as a temporary secretariat and hosts the Group work and the Leaders' Summit. Most importantly, the Presidency plays a key role in setting the agenda and identifying key priorities.

The Summit, the G7 Presidency's centerpiece, is attended by the Heads of State and Government of the seven Member States, representatives of the European Union, as well as States and International Organizations invited by the Presidency.

## **ITALIAN G7 PRESIDENCY 2024**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2024, Italy assumed, for the seventh time, the Presidency of the G7: the group that brings together Italy, Canada, France, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America. The G7, in which the European Union also participates, is united by common values and principles and plays an invaluable role in defending freedom and democracy and addressing global challenges.

The Italian Presidency will last until 31 December 2024, and will feature a dense programme of technical meetings and institutional events throughout the country.

A key focus of the Italian Presidency will be the defence of the rules-based international system. Russia's war of aggression on Ukraine has undermined its principles and triggered growing instability, with multiple crises unfolding worldwide. The G7 will give equal importance to the conflict in the Middle East, with its consequences for the global agenda.

The relationship with developing Nations and emerging economies will be central. The engagement with Africa will be a key priority. We will work to build a cooperation model based on mutually beneficial partnerships, away from paternalistic or predatory logics. Particular attention will also be paid to the Indo-Pacific region.

Italy will ensure great attention to migration, together with some of the greatest challenges of our time, including the climate-energy nexus and food security. The G7 has the responsibility and duty to identify, together with its global partners, innovative solutions.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) will also feature in the Italian programme. This technology can generate great opportunities but also enormous risks, affecting geopolitical balances. It is necessary to develop governance mechanisms and ensure that AI remains human-centered and human-controlled, giving concrete applications to the concept of algorethics.

### **The Apulia Summit**

The Summit of G7 Heads of State and Government under the Italian Presidency will be held in Borgo Egnazia, in Apulia, on 13-15 June 2024.

With its natural and artistic beauties and an innate vocation for hospitality, Apulia is a highly representative place of Italian culture and attractiveness. Moreover, it historically plays a bridging role between the East and the West of the world and over the centuries has welcomed different peoples, cultures and religions, which have left a profound legacy, still visible today on its territory and in the habits of its people.

## **MINISTERS' MEETINGS**

In addition to the Apulia Summit, during 2024 Italy will host 21 Ministerial Meetings. The meetings will take place in various Italian cities, as part of a logistical effort that includes a leading role of the local institutions. Dates and details of the events may be subject to possible changes.

ТОРІС	DATE	СІТҮ
INDUSTRY, TECH AND DIGITAL	13-14-15 March	Verona e Trento
TRANSPORT	11-12-13 April	Milano
FOREIGN AFFAIRS	17-18-19 April	Capri
CLIMATE, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT	28-29-30 April	Torino
JUSTICE	9-10 May	Venezia
FINANCE	23-24-25 May	Stresa
EDUCATION	27-28-29 June	Trieste
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	9-10-11 July	Bologna e Forlì
TRADE	16-17 July	Villa S. Giovanni e Reggio Calabria
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT	11-12-13 September	Cagliari
CULTURE	19-20-21 September	Napoli
AGRICULTURE	26-27-28 September	Siracusa
INTERIOR	2-3-4 October (tbc)	Avellino
GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT	4-5-6 October	Matera
HEALTH	9-10-11 October	Ancona
INCLUSION AND DISABILITY	14-15-16 October	Assisi e Perugia
DEFENCE	18-19-20 October	Napoli
DEVELOPMENT	24-25 October	Pescara
TOURISM	13-14-15 November	Firenze
URBAN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT	17-18-19 November	Genova
FOREIGN AFFAIRS	(date tbc)	Fiuggi

## MINISTERS' MEETING ON CLIMATE, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

The G7 Ministers' Meeting on Climate, Energy and Environment aims to identify coherent, complementary and interconnected actions to address the ongoing climate, energy and environmental crisis, with a special focus on the most vulnerable areas and populations.

According to IPCC scenarios, tackling the climate crisis requires limiting the global temperature increase to 1.5° C, reducing global greenhouse gas emissions by 43% by 2030 compared to 2019 levels and bringing net emissions to zero by mid-century.

The energy sector, which is responsible for about 80% of global emissions, will also need to invest in a sustainable energy transition that can ensure the energy security of the system and the economic development of countries.

On the occasion of the G7 Ministers' Meeting, countries will meet to discuss suitable technologies that can provide an adequate supply of energy and ensure clean and sustainable energy for developing countries, with a special focus on the African Continent, in order to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050.

In line with the orientation established by the G7 countries, it will be fundamental to support the strategic link between energy choices and climate policies: identify the innovative technological solutions and finance to support climate action for ensure a reduction in emissions and economic development of countries.

COP28 marked a historic achievement, providing for the first time a pathway to a reduction of fossil fuels in the energy sector to achieve net-zero by 2050 and the identification of measures to limit the rise in temperature to within 1.5° compared to pre-industrial levels.

The G7 Ministers' Meeting will aim to make a breakthrough in strategic sectors, such as renewable energy and energy efficiency, critical raw materials, heavy-emitting sectors and research and development for more sustainable nuclear power by 2040-2050.

The approach that will guide the process to ensure a just and inclusive transition will involve all members of society, especially younger generations.

Additionally, the intention is to promote an innovative model of collaboration between countries and public and private financiers in order to accelerate investments.

Regarding the environmental issues, the G7 discussion will focus on sustainable consumption and production, circular economy and resource efficiency, protection of marine and terrestrial biodiversity and of the and ecosystem services, and sustainable



management of natural resources, including sustainable use of land and water resources.

Over the past few years, G7 and G20 leaders have also highlighted the important role of cities in implementing innovative urban development approaches and creating a global transformation process towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

These and other challenges for a fair and inclusive energy transition will be the focus of this G7 Ministers' Meeting, aimed at adopting ambitious measures to accelerate the reduction of emissions, ensuring the security of energy systems and the economic development of countries.

# HOST CITY TORINO



Torino, the city with international appeal.

The first capital of Italy with a Baroque heart overlooking the Po River, the city reveals itself in more than 50 museums, in the Royal Residences UNESCO, in the elegant historic cafés, along the 18 kilometers of arcades or during international cultural and sporting events.

Torino is a UNESCO Creative City for Design and among the greenest cities in Europe, which also stands out internationally in the Automotive sector and with the Aerospace District, a unique production chain on the national scene, thanks to the presence of knowhow, technical skills, high-level manufacturing, companies engaged in the development of processes and services, cooperation with universities and with the research network. The sector boasts 5 international key players and about 450 SMEs, with over 35,000 employees, in addition to the Business Incubation Center of the European Space Agency (ESA BIC) to Competence Industry Manufacturing 4.0 and the nascent Aerospace City. Here was born the futuristic "space food", the food created tailor-made for astronauts in orbit on the International Space Station, several modules of which were produced in Turin.

Torino hosts a world of entrepreneurship and entrepreneurial creativity to be discovered in its excellent companies in the agri-food sector, environment and energy, aerospace and automotive, design and publishing, cosmetics and manufacturing, crafts and textiles.

## **AGENDA** 28-30 April 2024



## DAY 1 – 28 April 2024

7:00 pm –	Arrival of the Heads of Delegation and start of the G7
8:00 pm	<b>working session,</b> with the participation of B7 President Emma Marcegaglia and Representatives of the Industrial Associations of the G7 countries
	Palazzo Stupinigi

Official photographers and videomakers

## DAY 2 - 29 April 2024

9:00 am – 9:45 am	Arrival of Minister Pichetto Fratin and welcome of the Ministers of the G7 countries	
	Reggia di Venaria Host Broadcaster + official photographers and videomakers + photographers and cameramen	
10:00 am – 11:50 am	Plenary Meeting of Climate, Energy and Environment Ministers Working session I	
	Reggia di Venaria Host Broadcaster + official photographers and videomakers	
11:50 am –	Family Photo	
12:00 am	Reggia di Venaria Host Broadcaster + official photographers and videomakers + photographers and cameramen	
01:40 pm –	Plenary Meeting of Climate, Energy and Environment Ministers	
03:50 pm	Working session II: Climate and Energy	
	Reggia di Venaria Host Broadcaster + official photographers and videomakers	
04:35 pm –		
06:00 pm	Ministers Working session III: Environment	
	Reggia di Venaria	
	Host Broadcaster + official photographers and videomakers	

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## DAY 3 – 30 April 2024

10:00 am – 12:00 am	Plenary Meeting of Climate, Energy and Environment Ministers Working session IV
	Reggia di Venaria Host Broadcaster + official photographers and videomakers
02:30 pm – 03:00 pm	Joint Press Conference Reggia di Venaria – Citroniera Host Broadcaster + official photographers and videomakers + accredited media

## **MEDIA PROGRAMME: INFORMATION**

Journalists, photographers and TV crews interested in attending the media programme, the final Press Conference and accessing the Media Centre, may request **accreditation** by **Friday 19 April 2024** at **06:00 pm** (local time) via the following link: <u>https://www.g7-2024.it/</u> or through the accreditation section of <u>https://www.g7italy.it/it/</u>.

Applicants must fill in the form providing the required details and upload a copy of the following documents (PDF or JPEG format, max 2MB):

- Valid passport or ID card (mandatory)
- Photo (exclusively JPEG format, max. 2MB)
- Letter of assignment on official letterhead (mandatory also for freelance journalist)
- Press card

Early accreditation of journalists, photographers and interested media operators is mandatory. Media already accredited to previous meetings of G7 Ministers need specific accreditation for this Ministers' Meeting.

Please note that press representatives from some countries must obtain a visa to enter Italy. Information on visa procedures must be checked in advance by accessing the <u>II</u> <u>visto per l'Italia (esteri.it)</u>. The visa requirements must be met before arrival in Italy.

The **Press Conference** for the Ministers' Meeting on Climate, Energy and Environment will take place in Citroniera of Palazzo Venaria at 02:30 pm on 30 April 2024. It will be held in Italian, with simultaneous translation provided in English, and it will be broadcasted live in English on the <u>YouTube channel</u> of the Italian G7 Presidency and in Italian on the YouTube channel of the Ministry.

A selection of the photos and videos produced by the official operators, including the family photo, will be available on the Ministry website and on the Italian G7 Presidency website.

Following approval of the registration, accreditation badges will be provided to media representatives at the **Accreditation Centre**, located at NH Torino Centro, Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 104 and it will open:

- on 27 April 2024 from 9:00 am to 06:00 pm
- on 28 April 2024 from 9:00 am to 07:00 pm
- on 29 April 2024 from 9:00 am to 06:00 pm
- on 30 April 2024 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

The **Media Centre** is located at Palazzo Venaria (media entrance in Via Sapino Don Giovanni). It will open:

- on 29 April 2024 from 07:30 am to 07:30 pm
- on 30 April 2024 from 08:30 am to 07:00 pm

Further information and any updates will be available on the G7 website at <u>https://www.g7italy.it/it/</u>.

Each journalist/photographer/cameraman will have to take care of their own travel and accommodation arrangements autonomously.

#### How to reach Reggia di Venaria

Reggia di Venaria is located about 10 km from Turin. It can be reached easily by car, taxi, train and bus.

Address: Via Sapino Don Giovanni (media entrance) – 10078 – Venaria Reale (TO)

### Train

Daily direct train departing from Torino Porta Susa and arriving at Venaria Reale Reggia, every 30 minutes. The journey takes about 16 minutes, the station is 800 metres from Venaria (about a 15-minute walk).

#### Bus

Direct bus departing from Stop 84 – PORTA PALAZZO NORD and arriving at Stop 2435 – IV NOVEMBRE. Buses depart every 30 minutes and run every day. The journey takes about 38 minutes.

### Car

Tangenziale Nord di Torino, exit: Venaria or Savonera/Venaria.

### Parking:

Park Castellamonte (Park A) and Park Carlo Emanuele II (Park B). (Via Castellamonte and Viale Carlo Emanuele II, Tangenziale Nord di Torino, exit Venaria / "La Venaria Reale – Reggia e Giardini").

Coordinates of Park A and Park B.

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