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UN Learning Managers Forum 2027

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English	2.5 days	07 May 2027	Free	Bonn (DE)	UN Only

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The UN Learning Managers Forum (UN LMF) marks its 30th edition in 2027, convening in Bonn, Germany. The forum brings together heads of learning and learning professionals from across the UN system to exchange practice, test ideas and shape how the organization builds the capabilities it needs for the future.

Introduction

The UN Learning Managers Forum is the UN system's community of practice for learning and staff development, with more than 350 members across agencies, funds, programmes and other international organizations. Each year, the forum offers a rare opportunity for those who lead and deliver learning to step back from day-to-day delivery, compare approaches and work on shared challenges together.

The 2027 Forum is the 30th edition. It is both a moment to reflect on three decades of inter-agency collaboration on learning and an occasion to look ahead. Learning functions across the system are being asked to do more than deliver training: they are expected to build workforce and organisational capability at a time of reform, tighter resources and rapid technological change. Bonn, a growing hub for UN learning functions, provides a fitting setting.

The detailed agenda and speakers will be announced in early 2027.

Objectives

By the end of the forum, participants will have:

- Exchanged current practice, lessons and tools for capability building with peers from across the UN system.
- Examined the main trends shaping learning and staff development in the UN, and the capabilities their entities will need in response.
- Identified practical opportunities for inter-agency collaboration and shared solutions.
- Strengthened their professional network within the UN learning community.

Course methodology

The forum is a face-to-face event that combines outside perspectives with peer exchange. External keynote speakers will bring fresh thinking on the forces shaping learning and the future of work. An inspiration fair and exchange will give participants the floor to showcase what they are working on, from new programmes and tools to experiments still in progress, and to learn directly from colleagues in other entities. Throughout, the emphasis is on conversation, practical exchange and building connections across the UN learning community.

Course contents

The programme is being developed in consultation with the LMF community and will be published in early 2027. It will feature external keynote speakers and an inspiration fair and exchange where participants showcase their current work, alongside a look back at 30 editions of the forum and a forward look at the future of learning in the UN system.

Target audience

Professionals responsible for learning, training, and staff development in UN agencies, funds, and programmes, as well as other international organizations.

To ensure broad representation across agencies, funds and programmes, we may ask individual entities to limit the number of participants they nominate.

Cost of participation

There is no cost for participation in this UN LMF. Prior registration is essential as spots are limited.

Please note that attendees are responsible for covering their own travel and accommodation costs.