



UNITED NATIONS
SYSTEM
STAFF COLLEGE

UN Leadership Catalyst Series

Leading in Uncertainty

11-25 November 2025 | Online Edition





LEADING IN UNCERTAINTY

OVERVIEW

In today's rapidly shifting global context, leaders across the UN System are called upon to lead through unprecedented change and complexity. Strategic agility, clarity of vision and the ability to mobilize teams through uncertainty have never been more critical. Aligned with UN 2.0, the UN Leadership Catalyst Series offers UN system directors a dedicated space to connect with peers and expert faculty to:

- **Catalyse adaptive leadership** for greater impact during uncertain times;
- **Leverage practical tools and strategies** to mobilise teams during times of change; and
- **Drive strategic alignment** for more resilient, adaptive teams and systems.

OBJECTIVES

As participants go through this edition of the UN Leadership Catalyst Series - Leading in Uncertainty, they will:

- **Strengthen their adaptive leadership capacity** to make sense of emergent complexity, navigate uncertainty, and respond with agility.
- **Mobilise themselves and their teams** by applying practices to remain mindful, resilient, and present, effectively engaging teams during times of disruption.
- **Amplify leadership impact** through purposeful conversations, values-based decisions and integration of new practices supported by reflection and individual coaching.

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TARGET AUDIENCE

Senior UN staff at the D1/D2 levels; and senior staff operating in relevant fields of international cooperation in complex, fast-changing contexts.

By self-enrolment or agency nomination. (Please note that some UN organizations follow an internal nomination process to identify candidates for the programme).



PROGRAMME FORMAT

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Online Webinars, over three weeks, incorporating practical exercises and peer dialogue. Each session will be 2.5 hours in duration.

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Executive Coaching Sessions, scheduled after the programme. Each one-on-one session will be 1 hour in duration.

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PROGRAMME THEMES AND AGENDA

This first edition of the UN Leadership Catalyst Series - Leading in Uncertainty will explore five interconnected themes essential for strategic leadership with leading senior experts:

TUE, 11 NOV

Navigating Uncertainty – Decode accelerating change and strengthen agile leadership capabilities.

THU, 13 NOV

Leading Self and Team Through Disruption – Foster better resilience, presence, and collective momentum.

TUE, 18 NOV

Decision-Making in Uncertainty – Enhance judgment and make more impactful, values-driven choices amid ambiguity.

THU, 20 NOV

Leadership Conversations That Matter – Lead with reflective inquiry and dialogue to inspire increased trust.

TUE, 25 NOV

Gaining Perspective: Application and Integration – Break through barriers to change and embed new leadership practices, supported by executive coaching for more sustained impact.

- All sessions will be hosted on **Zoom, 2.30 PM - 5.00 PM CET / 8.30 AM - 11.00 AM EST**
- After Session 5, participants will undertake **two executive coaching sessions** between **1 December 2025 – 27 February 2026**. Session dates and times will be mutually agreed between the participant and their assigned coach.

KEY INFORMATION TO COMPLETE YOUR REGISTRATION

UN Leadership Catalyst Series - Leading in Uncertainty

- **Dates:** 11-25 November 2025
- **Fee:** USD 2,300 (inclusive of all sessions, platform access, and executive coaching)
- **Registration:** Register by Thursday, 06 November at this [LINK](#)
- **For enquiries, contact:** leadershipandmanagement@unssc.org

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