## Media accreditation

# Journalists should apply for their accreditation <u>online</u>. They must create an account on Indico before applying.

# Accreditation requirements

Letter of assignment on official letterhead of a media organization from the Publisher/Assignment Editor or Bureau Chief. It should specify the name and functional title of the journalist and the period for which accreditation is sought at the United Nations.

Print media representatives are required to submit two recent issues of the publication. Radio and TV media representatives must submit recordings of two recent reports.

Independent TV production companies are required to provide a letter from a broadcast organization which intends to air their work.

Photographers are required to submit original tear sheets or photos with credits of the issuing organization.

The web publication must belong to a registered company, such as a media organization, and have a specific, verifiable non-web address and a telephone number.

The online journal requesting accreditation for its correspondent must have a substantial amount of original news content or commentary or analysis on international issues.

If the website is new, the applicant seeking accreditation must provide the latest data on the site's visitors or other relevant material (press citations, etc.) about the outlet's audience.

The applicant must have an established record of having written extensively on international issues and must present copies of three recently published articles with his/her byline.

## **Photo Identification**

Journalists must present a valid passport from a State recognized by the United Nations General Assembly, along with a press card. Where required, non-nationals of the host government must also confirm their right to work as a journalist by providing a relevant visa or employment authorization document.

#### Bona Fide media Organizations

Individuals applying for accreditation are bona fide media professionals and represent bona fide media organizations (formally registered as a media organization in a country recognized by the United Nations General Assembly).

Accreditation will only be given with proof of a track record of reporting for media organizations on international affairs. Media accreditation is not accorded to the information outlets of non-governmental organizations. Applications are considered on a case-by-case basis and the decisions of UN Geneva are final. UN Geneva reserves the right to deny or withdraw accreditation of journalists from media organizations whose activities run counter to the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, or who abuse the privileges so extended

or put the accreditation to improper use or act in a way not consistent with the principles of the Organization.