

**COP1**  
Santiago, 20-22 April  
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# WHAT WILL HAPPEN AT THE FIRST CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE **ESCAZÚ CONVENTION (COP ESCAZÚ)** AND HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE



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# Thank you very much for your interest in the **First Conference of the Parties to the Escazú Agreement!**

Below we provide you with information about:

- 1** What is the agenda of the **First COP** in Escazú, when does it take place and who participates?
- 2** The **Modalities of Public Participation** in Escazú.
- 3** **Registration and COVID-19 requirements.**



## 1. What is the agenda of the First COP in Escazú, when does it take place and who participates ?

The First Conference of the Parties to the Escazú Agreement will be held on April 20-22, 2022 at ECLAC headquarters in Santiago, Chile.

The 12 States Parties will participate in this COP, which are those States that have ratified the Escazú Agreement.

**Any other government** in Latin America and the Caribbean can also participate .

However, only the States Parties have the right to vote. The 12 States Parties must agree:

**The Rules of Procedure** . These rules refer to the frequency of COPs, decision-making and public participation, among other issues.

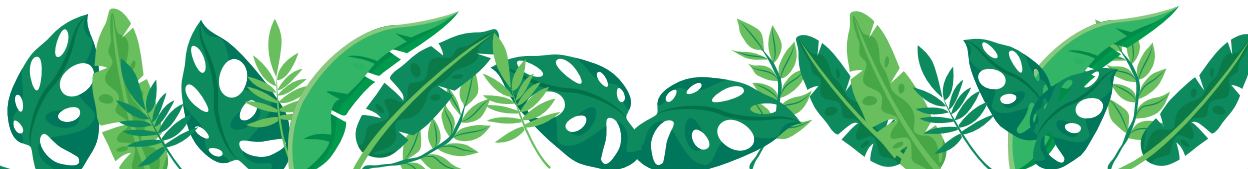
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**The Escazú Compliance Support Committee** . The main task of the Committee is to support the States Parties for the effective implementation of the contents of the Agreement. It will be made up of independent people with an important track record in environmental democracy. See proposal here

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## 2. The modalities of Public Participation in Escazú.

On April 8, 2016, within the framework of the Third Meeting of the Negotiating Committee of the Regional Agreement on access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters, the Modalities for Public Participation in the Negotiating Committee were approved. of the Regional Agreement on access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters .





## How specifically can the public participate in the COP Escazú?

The Participation Modalities establish three levels of participation:

These Modalities are still in force and will be implemented at the COP Escazú. These Modalities seek to inform about the Escazú Convention and its various meetings, including the First Escazú COP, and establish general and specific levels and opportunities for participation.

The first thing is to know what is meant by public in the Escazú Agreement. Public is any natural person, legal entity or community organization with or without profit. In other words, indigenous peoples, private sector companies, NGOs, academics, unions, women, human rights defenders, youth, community organizations, and individuals can participate in the COP Escazú.

**1**

### FACE-TO-FACE

That is, attend the Escazú meetings, face-to-face or virtually.

**2**

### INFORMATIVE

All official meeting documents will be made available to the public well in advance; In addition, they will be informed by email, through the Regional Public Mechanism.

**3**

### PARTICIPATORY

- a** The public of the region will be able to present written text proposals during the negotiation, which will be compiled in a separate document. These proposals will be incorporated into the negotiating document to the extent that at least one State Party submits it as its own.
- b** The public may request the floor and the President must give it to them in the order in which it has been requested.



**Representantes del Público:** En 2014 en la Decisión de Santiago los países invitaron al público a designar representantes para sostener un diálogo continuo con la Mesa Directiva. Por medio de una elección en la que participó el público registrado en el mecanismo publico regional se eligieron seis representantes.

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Las principales funciones de l@s Representantes han sido (i) difundir el Convenio de Escazú y su importancia, (ii) Incidir en las negociaciones de Escazú con las propuestas elaboradas por el público.



Si tienes comentarios, sugerencias y propuestas las puedes hacer llegar a cualquiera de los Representantes del Público.

Luego de la COP se desarrollará una nueva elección para elegir representantes durante el 2022.

## 3. Registro y requisitos COVID-19.

La Primera Conferencia de las Partes del Convenio de Escazú (COP de Escazú) se realizará en forma híbrida (presencial y virtual) entre el 20 y el 22 de abril del presente año en la sede de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL) en Santiago de Chile. Av. Dag Hammarskjöld 3477, Vitacura, Santiago de Chile.

Cualquier persona interesada en participar en esta COP de Escazú debe inscribirse en los siguientes links en forma **PREVIA al 13 de abril del 2022.**

**1**

Primero debes inscribirte en <https://www.cepal.org/es/acuerdo-deescazu/mecanismo-publico-regional>, Mecanismo Público Regional. Estar en esta base de datos te permite recibir actualizaciones sobre Escazú.

**2**

Luego debes inscribirte en el <http://acuerdodeescazu.cepal.org/cop1> para la COP Escazú. En la inscripción a la COP deberás decir si participarás en forma virtual o presencial.

**3**

Si te interesa participar en forma presencial debes revisar acá <https://acuerdodeescazu.cepal.org/cop1/es/informacion-evento> los requisitos para ingresar a Chile.

También se debe considerar que La CEPAL debe cumplir con un aforo de acuerdo a las reglas de las Naciones Unidas

