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# UNCSGN 50th Anniversary

## Honouring some of those who got us here

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**UNCSGN Presidents and location of Conferences**

**Montréal**  
5th Jean-Paul Drolet (Canada)

**London**  
2nd H.A.G. Lewis (UK)

**Berlin**  
8th Klaus-Henning Rosen (Germany)

**New York**  
6th Abdelhadi Tazi (Morocco)  
7th Peter Raper (South Africa)  
9th Helen Kerfoot (Canada)  
10th Botolv Helleland (Norway)  
11th

**Geneva**  
1st Meredith Burrill (USA)  
4th Dirk Blok (Netherlands)

**Athens**  
3rd L. Mavridis (Greece)





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## UNGEGN Chairs and location of Sessions

### Montréal

- 1987 13th Dirk Blok (Netherlands)  
Henri Dorion (Canada)

### New York

- 1960 1st Experts meeting Meredith Burrill (USA)
- 1966 2nd Experts meeting Meredith Burrill (USA)

- 1967 1st Meredith Burrill (USA)
- 1970 2nd Meredith Burrill (USA)
- 1971 3rd Meredith Burrill (USA)
- 1973 5th Meredith Burrill (USA)
- 1975 6th Meredith Burrill (USA)
- 1979 8th Josef Breu (Austria)
- 1981 9th Josef Breu (Austria)
- 1992 16th Peter Raper (South Africa)
- 1994 17th Peter Raper (South Africa)
- 1998 19th Peter Raper (South Africa)
- 2000 20th Peter Raper (South Africa)\*
- 2004 22nd Helen Kerfoot (Canada)
- 2007 24th Helen Kerfoot (Canada)
- 2012 27th Helen Kerfoot (Canada)  
William Watt (Australia)
- 2014 28th William Watt (Australia)\*
- 2017 30th William Watt (Australia)



### Berlin

- 2002 21st Peter Raper (South Africa)  
Helen Kerfoot (Canada)

### London

- 1972 4th Meredith Burrill (USA)

### Vienna

- 2006 23rd Helen Kerfoot (Canada)
- 2011 26th Helen Kerfoot (Canada)

### Geneva

- 1982 10th Josef Breu (Austria)  
Dirk Blok (Netherlands)
- 1984 11th Dirk Blok (Netherlands)
- 1986 12th Dirk Blok (Netherlands)
- 1989 14th Henri Dorion (Canada)
- 1991 15th Peter Raper (South Africa)
- 1996 18th Peter Raper (South Africa)

### Athens

- 1977 7th Meredith Burrill (USA)  
Josef Breu (Austria)

### Bangkok

- 2016 29th William Watt (Australia)

### Nairobi

- 2009 25th Helen Kerfoot (Canada)

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## The folder

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UNCSGN Presidents  
UNGEEN Chairs  
Other important people

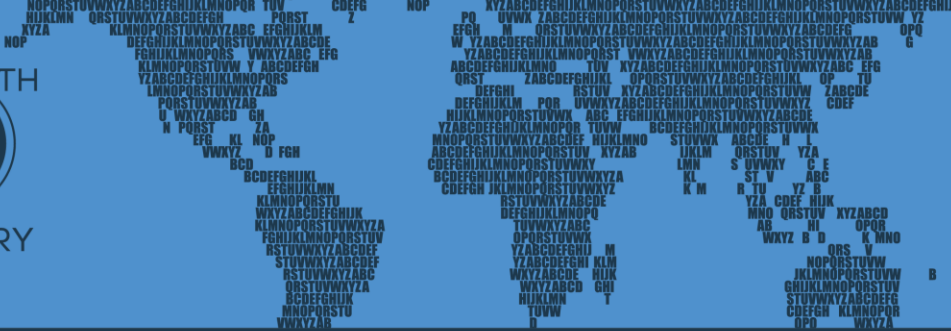
Goal:  
To produce a folder of the 50 most  
important people to UNGEEN

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Reality:

Draft ready with 30+ notabilities

Further important people identified  
Text and photos of 20+ persons to be  
produced.

- WE NEED YOUR HELP !!! -



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# Help us identify additional UNGEGN notabilities

## Supply text and photos

## Check the draft for incorrect or missing information





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