

Leaders due to address UN Assembly

World leaders meet in New York for the 80th UN General Assembly focused on Trump's return to the podium, the wars in Gaza and Ukraine, growing recognition of Palestinian statehood, and tensions with Iran

■ **Donald Trump:** U.S. president will speak on **Sep 23**, eight months into his second term marked by sharp foreign aid cuts that have fuelled global humanitarian turmoil and cast doubt on UN's future

■ **Benjamin Netanyahu**
Israeli prime minister wanted by ICC for alleged war crimes and crimes against humanity in Gaza, is due to speak on **Sep 26**

■ **Mahmoud Abbas**
Palestinian president will likely appear via video after staunch Israeli ally U.S. revoked his visa

■ **Masoud Pezeshkian**
Iranian president to engage on last-minute diplomacy to avoid return of UN sanctions on Islamic Republic, due to be reimposed on **Sep 28**

■ **Volodymyr Zelensky**
Ukrainian president will speak on **Sep 24** to rally global support for Kyiv more than three years after Russia's invasion

■ **Ahmed al-Sharaa**
Syrian president will make his UN debut on **Sep 24**, aiming to restore country's international standing despite ongoing Western sanctions

■ **Yvan Gil**
Venezuela's foreign minister will speak on **Sep 27** amid rising tensions with U.S., which has launched deadly strikes on alleged cartel vessels in international waters

■ **Other prominent issues include war in Sudan, climate change and women's rights**