



"UNEA Prepcom" (Open Ended CPR) Briefing to Permanent Missions

**Friday 28 February 2014, 10:15-12:00
International Environment House II**

The United Nations Environment Assembly of the UNEP (UNEA) is the main governing body of UNEP.

At the 2012 United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), the international community decided to strengthen and upgrade UNEP including through the establishment of universal membership of its governing body. As a follow up to this decision, the Governing Council held its first session with universal membership in February 2013, where countries agreed to transform the Governing Council as the "United Nations Environment Assembly of the UNEP" (UNEA). Subsequently, the General Assembly adopted a resolution changing the designation to UNEA (67/251).

According to the decision adopted at the first session of the Governing Council with universal membership (27th session), UNEA will meet biennially in Nairobi starting in June 2014. UNEA is also mandated to ensure the active participation of all relevant stakeholders in the governance of UNEP and to promote a strong science-policy interface.

The Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives (OECPR), which can be looked at as the Prepcom to the UNEA, will take place in Nairobi on 24-28 March 2014. It will be preceded by a "Stakeholder Day", planned to take place on 23 March 2014.

You are cordially invited to **briefing on the preparations of the OECPR and the United Nations Environment Assembly of UNEP, taking place at the International Environment House on Friday 28 February 2014.**

Provisional Agenda

- 10:15 Coffee & Tea
- 10:30 **Welcome and introduction**
Jan DUSIK, Director, UNEP Regional Office for Europe
- 10:35 **Preparations of the OECPR and the United Nations Environment Assembly of UNEP**
Michele CANDOTTI, Chief, UNEP Executive Office
- 11:15 Question-and-answer session
- 12:00 End



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We would be grateful if you could indicate your participation in advance by completing this form and returning it by **26 February 2014** to the address below by email (gen.secretary@unep.org) or register online. Please note that English is the working language of this event.

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