European MGS Virtual Regional Consultation Meeting (RCM) 
in preparation of the 5th UN Environment Assembly 
co-organised by the Regional Facilitators

16 + 17 December 2020

Agenda

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Session 1: The Road to UNEA 5 (9:30 – 12:30 pm CET)

Objectives: stakeholders understand the road to UNEA 5.1 and on to UNEA 5.2 in 2022, its setup, themes and engagement possibilities and the link to other important processes in 2021/2022

Facilitation: Patrizia Heidegger, EEB (Regional Facilitator Europe)

9:30: – 9:40 am: Opening and introductions
  • Icebreaker + introduction of the meeting + introduction of Regional Facilitators

9:40 – 11:00am: UNEA 5 agenda + stakeholder engagement
  • Welcome note from UNEP Europe office
    Bruno Pozzi, UNEP, Director Europe office
  • UNEA5.1 : steps to UNEA5.1., agenda + themes, onwards to UNEA5.2, draft resolutions
    Alexander Juras, UNEP
    o Round of questions and discussion
  • Update on stakeholder engagement at UN Environment
    Alexander Juras, UNEP
    o Round of questions and discussion
  • Youth Major Group: how we are going to make an impact on UNEA5
    Teresa Oberhauser, Representative Children and Youth Major Group (TBC)
    o Round of questions and discussion

11:00 – 11:15am: BREAK
Facilitation: Sophiko Akhobadze, REC Caucasus (Regional Facilitator Europe)

11:15 – 12:30pm: The super year for nature 2021, UN@50, Stockholm +50

- Links to other key events in 2021 (CBD COP, climate COP, Regional Forum for Sustainable Development and HLPF, Basel, Stockholm, Rotterdam COPs, SAICM)
  - Wondwosen (Wondy) Asnake Kibret, UNEP
    - Round of questions and discussion
- UNEP@50
  - Wondwosen Asnake Kibret, UNEP + Stephan Stec, S&T MG
    - Round of questions and discussion
- Stockholm +50
  - Jan Gustav Strandenaes, Stakeholder Forum
    - Round of questions and discussion

Session 2: UN Environment Medium Term Strategy (2–3:30pm CET)
Facilitation: Bert de Wel, Workers and Trade Unions MG (TBC)

Objectives: stakeholders understand what the MTS is, what the new MTS looks like, how they get engaged in its implementation

- MTS Update and how civil society can engage in its implementation
  - Wondwosen (Wondy) Asnake Kibret, UNEP
- What does the Major Groups do around the MTS?
  - Yugratna Srivastava (Youth MG) (TBC)
    - Round of questions and discussion

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Session 3: Opportunities around UNEA: Treaty on plastic pollution and Global Pact for the Environment (9:30 – 12:00 pm CET)
Facilitation: Patrizia Heidegger, EEB (Regional Facilitator Europe)

Objectives: stakeholders understand the opportunities around the UNEA process, in particular, a UN Treaty on Plastic Pollution and the Global Pact for the Environment or a reform of international environmental law and governance
9:30: – 9:40 am: Opening and welcome
• Icebreaker + introduction of the meeting

9:40 – 10:30 am: Environmental rule of law + Global Pact for the Environment
• Review of the Global Pact process and outcomes, opportunities 2021/2022
  Leida Rijnhout, NGO MG
    ○ Round of questions and discussion
• UNEP’s work on environmental rule of law
  Stephan Stec, S&T MG
    ○ Round of questions and discussion

10:30 – 11:30 am UN Treaty on Plastic Pollution
Update on the push for a treaty
  David Azoulay, CIEL
    ○ Round of questions and discussion

11:30 – 11:45 am: BREAK

11:45 – 12:15 Steps towards a Regional Statement + Closure