

Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution (Air Convention)
59th session of the Working Group on Strategies and Review (WGSR 59)
Submission by the EU and its Member States on changes to the draft workplan for
2022-2023

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The EU and its Member States propose the following changes to the draft workplan for 2022-2023 (changes indicated in track changes):

<i>Workplan item</i>	<i>Activity description/objective</i>	<i>Expected outcome/deliverable</i>	<i>Lead body(ies)</i>	<i>Resource requirements and/or funding source</i>
2.1.	Exchange information on national, subregional and regional policies and strategies for the control of major air pollutants, in accordance with article 8 of the Convention and the protocols to the Convention. Provide a platform for sharing information on progress and challenges faced by countries in acceding to and implementing the Convention's three latest protocols.	(a) Information on strategies and policies for air pollution abatement throughout the ECE region, including information on measures shared at the sessions of the Working Group, following Executive Body decision 2016/3 (b) Recommendations to the Executive Body on strengthening the ratification of the protocols (c) Session on barriers to ratification and implementation	Secretariat WGSR WGSR, EECCA Coordinating Group	
2.2	Review of the sufficiency and effectiveness of the Gothenburg Protocol as amended	Input provided to support the review Final report on the review submitted to the Executive Body	WGSR, TFIAM, TFTEI, TFRN and scientific bodies WGSR	
2.3	Policy discussions on reporting of condensable part in emissions of particulate matter	Recommendations provided to the Executive Body	WGSR	
2.4	Encourage ratification of the key Protocols to the Convention, in particular the Gothenburg Protocol, through <i>inter alia</i> , demonstrating the costs of inaction on air pollution	The report for policymakers on the costs of inaction on air pollution submitted to the Executive Body for adoption	TFIAM, TFTEI	
2.5	Promotion of multiscale modelling for formulating effective measures and policies	Policy brief on multilevel governance	TFIAM	Funding needed

2.6	Analysis of the interactions between ammonia emission and methane emissions and the potential for their co-mitigation from agricultural sources	Guidance document and policy brief	TFRN in cooperation with other bodies	EUR 50,000, subject to co-funding
2.7	Promotion of the <u>most recent/relevant</u> Guidance documents <u>including the Guidance document</u> on integrated sustainable nitrogen management, <u>the Guidance Document on the reduction of agriculture residue burning (pending adoption)</u> , <u>the Guidance Document on prioritizing reductions of particulate matter so to also achieve reduction of black carbon (pending adoption)</u> and <u>the Guidance Document on national nitrogen budgets</u>	Workshops with further analysis	TFRN, <u>TFTEL</u> , <u>TFIAM</u>	EUR 50,000, subject to co-funding
2.8	<u>Discuss control strategies to recommend for use by the Task Force on Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution in future scenarios</u>	Development of policy questions; recommendations on priority sectors for analysis	WGSR, TFHTAP, TFIAM	
2.9	<u>Discuss hemispheric transport to further inform the review of the Gothenburg Protocol</u>	Policy discussions in the framework of the WGSR; related recommendations made to the Executive Body	WGSR	
<u>New item</u>	<u>Activities to support broader geographic cooperation on air pollution</u>	<u>FICAP website</u>	<u>Task Force FICAP (pending EB decision)</u>	<u>In-kind contributions by participating countries</u>
<u>New item</u>	<u>Development of a Guidance document on non-technical and structural measures</u>	<u>Draft guidance document submitted for adoption by the Executive Body at its forty-third session</u>	<u>TFIAM</u>	<u>In-kind contributions by participating countries</u>
<u>New item</u>	<u>Consideration of the main findings and conclusions of the review of the amended Gothenburg Protocol</u>	<u>Recommendations to the Executive Body for next steps and further work</u>	<u>WGSR</u>	
<u>New item</u>	<u>Carry out other tasks specified in mandates</u>		<u>TFTEL, TFRN</u>	<u>In-kind contributions by participating countries</u>

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Commented [A5]: This can be finalised following the discussion under agenda item 8.

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