

**Nineteenth session of the Joint Task Force on Environmental Statistics and Indicators**

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Meeting room: XXII, hybrid mode

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<b>Thursday, 3 November 2022</b>	
09:30 – 09:45	<p><b>Agenda item 1: Opening and adoption of the agenda</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Opening statements, Mr. Nicholas Bonvoisin and Mr. Michael Nagy, UNECE</li> <li>- Adoption of the Agenda (ECE/CEP-CES/GE.1/2022/1)</li> </ul>
09:45 – 10:00	<p><b>Agenda item 2. Adoption of the report of the eighteenth session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation of the outcomes of the eighteenth session and status of implementation of the decisions and recommendations, Ms. Christine Kitzler, UNECE</li> <li>- Adoption of the report of the eighteenth session (ECE/CEP-CES/GE.1/2021/2).</li> </ul>
10:00 – 11:00	<p><b>Agenda item 3. Implementing the mandate and terms of reference</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation of the proposed new mandate and terms of reference of the Joint Task Force on Environmental Statistics and Indicators beyond 2023 (ECE/CEP-CES/GE.1/2022/3), Ms. Christine Kitzler, UNECE</li> <li>- Discussion on the new mandate and terms of reference, conclusions and way forward</li> </ul>
11:00 – 11:15	<p><b>Coffee break</b></p>
11:15 – 12:30	<p><b>Agenda item 4. Ongoing developments with relevance for the work of the Joint Task Force</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Developments at international level               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Summary on the main outcomes of the Ninth Environment for Europe Ministerial Conference with relevance for the Joint Task Force, including on the pan-European environmental assessment and SEIS, Mr. Nicholas Bonvoisin, UNECE</li> <li>○ Overview of main outcomes of the 24th session of the Working Group on Environmental Monitoring and Assessment, Ms. Christine Kitzler, UNECE</li> <li>○ Overview on the outcomes of recent work of the UNECE Statistics Division, Mr. Michael Nagy, UNECE</li> <li>○ Regional e-waste monitor for the Western Balkans, Ms. Giulia Iattoni, UNITAR</li> <li>○ Recent updates of UNEP's global work on environmental statistics, Ms. Ekaterina Poleshchuk, UNEP</li> </ul> </li> <li>- National developments in the implementation and sharing of environmental indicators and statistics with a focus on sustainable infrastructure, biodiversity,</li> </ul>

	<p>chemicals and waste and/or circular economy and tourism as identified in the seventh pan-European environmental assessment as priority themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tajikistan, Mr. Nakatzoda Khokimbek, Agency on Statistics</li> </ul> <p>- Discussion</p>
12:30 – 14:30	<b>Lunch break</b>
14:30 – 15:45	<p><b>Agenda item 4. Ongoing developments with relevance for the work of the Joint Task Force (continued)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Republic of Moldova, Ms. Silvia Nelipovschi, Environment Agency, and Ms. Ludmila Lungu, National Bureau of Statistics</li> <li>○ Georgia, Ms. Maia Javakhishvili, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture, and Mr. Irakli Apkhaidze, National Statistics Office</li> <li>○ North Macedonia, Ms. Mira Todorova and Ms. Suzana Stojanovska, State Statistical Office</li> </ul> <p>- Discussion</p>
16:00 – 16:15	<b>Coffee break</b>
16:15 – 17:15	<p><b>Agenda item 4. Ongoing developments with relevance for the work of the Joint Task Force (continued)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation of related activities incl. on the production and sharing of environmental statistics and indicators by other international and regional organizations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Updates on Global Work in Environment and Climate Change Statistics, Mr. Marcus Newbury, United Nations Statistics Division</li> <li>○ Convention on Biological Diversity – Update on the status of the global Post-2020 Biodiversity Framework, Ms. Jillian Campbell, CBD Secretariat</li> <li>○ Environmental information in Central Asia 2022: Lessons learned from the implementation of a Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS) principles, Tomas Marques, UNEP, and Viktor Novikov, ZOI Environment Network</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>- Discussion</p>
17:15 – 17:30	<b>Conclusions of the first day</b>

<b>Friday, 4 November 2022</b>	
09:30 – 10:30	<p><b>Agenda item 5: Review of the Guidelines for the Application of Environmental Indicators</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduction and presentation of the completed parts of the Guidelines for the Application of Environmental Indicators (ECE/CEP-CES/GE.1/2022/4), Mr. Michael Nagy, UNECE</li> <li>- National example from Mexico: Developing SDG indicators using the FDES and the 2020 Population Census, Ms. Adriana Oropeza Lliteras, INEGI Mexico</li> <li>- Lessons learned and gaps from the pan-European environmental assessment, Ms. Maia Javakhishvili, Chair of the Working Group on Environmental Monitoring and Assessment and Mr. Johannes Mayer, Umweltbundesamt Austria</li> <li>- Revision of EEA EIONET Indicators and other related activities of the European Environment Agency, Ms. Roberta Pignatelli, EEA</li> </ul>
10:30 – 10:45	<b>Coffee break</b>

10:45 – 12:30	<p><b>Agenda item 5: Review of the Guidelines for the Application of Environmental Indicators (continued)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Feedback from selected countries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Kazakhstan, Ms. Assel Shauyenova, Bureau of National Statistics, Agency for Strategic Planning and Reforms</li> <li>o Armenia: Ms. Nelli Baghdasaryan, Statistical Committee, and Ms. Gayane Shahnazaryan, Ministry of Environment</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Discussion and approval of completed parts of the Indicator Guidelines and newly proposed indicators</li> <li>- Conclusions and next steps, Mr. Michael Nagy, UNECE</li> </ul>
12:30 – 14:30	<p><b>Lunch break</b></p>
14:30 – 15:30	<p><b>Agenda item 6. Ongoing and planned capacity development activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EU4Environment: Environmental Data and indicators in support of a green transition in the Eastern Partnership countries, Ms. Irina Belkahia, OECD, Mr. Johannes Mayer, Environment Agency Austria and Ms. Christine Kitzler, UNECE</li> <li>- Selected countries to present national capacity development activities and needs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Serbia, Mr. Nebojša Redžić, Ministry of Environmental Protection, Environmental Protection Agency</li> <li>o Ukraine, Ms. Natalia Husieva, State Statistics Service of Ukraine</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Discussion</li> </ul>
15:30 – 15:45	<p><b>Coffee break</b></p>
15:45 – 17:00	<p><b>Agenda item 7. Data needs, statistics and indicators to manage environment-related human health issues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Air Pollution and Health Data requirements for Air quality Impact assessments using the AirQ+ methodology, Mr. Pierpaolo Mudu, WHO Europe</li> <li>- Air Quality indexes in Central Asia, the UNEP/UNDP air pollution assessment in Bishkek and respective data gaps, Ms. Katherine Hall, UNEP air quality expert</li> <li>- UNDRR/ISC hazard classification and terminology, Mr. Rahul Sengupta, UNDRR</li> <li>- Discussion and conclusions</li> </ul>
17:00 – 17:30	<p><b>Agenda items 8 and 9: Other business and closure of the meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Any Other business Member States and partners are invited to inform the Secretariat of any other business prior to the meeting</li> <li>- Adoption of decisions and recommendations</li> </ul>