

Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes
Implementation Committee

Fifteenth meeting

Geneva, 16–17 February 2023

Provisional time schedule (Geneva time)
 Palais des Nations, room H-307-1 (Building H)

Tentative timing	Item of agenda	Comments
Thursday, 16 February 2023		
09.45	Connection for online participants opens	
10.00 – 10.15	1. Adoption of the agenda (as contained in document ECE/MP.WAT/IC/2022/3 ¹ with adjustments as indicated in this Provisional time schedule)	Open
10.15 – 11.30	2. Requests for advice, submissions and Committee initiative Advisory procedure WAT/IC/AP/1 The Committee will prepare for consultations with Montenegro and Albania later in the day.	
11.30 – 13.00	Information gathering WAT/IC/INFO/2 The Committee will discuss the letter from organizations cooperating in the project “Reconnecting Iberian Rivers” received on 12 December 2022, forwarded by the Chair to Portugal and Spain on 13 January 2023.	
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch	
14.30 – 15.30	Consultations with Montenegro Montenegro – Zeljko Furtula, General Director, Directorate for Water Management, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, Montenegro	Montenegro joins the Committee

¹ https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2023-01/ECE_MP.WAT_IC_2022_3_agenda_ENG.pdf

15.30 – 16.30	<p>Consultations with Albania</p> <p>Albania – Gerta Lubonja, General Director, Water Resources Management Agency, Prime Minister’s Office, Albania</p>	Albania joins the Committee
16.30 – 17.00	The Committee will discuss information received and prepare for joint consultations with the two countries in the following day.	
17.00 – 18.00	<p>5. Promotion of the mechanism to facilitate and support implementation and compliance</p> <p>The Committee will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discuss the recent experience with sending a letter to NGOs to invite their contribution with regard to information gathering on potential challenges and lessons learned by Parties in implementing the Convention - Discuss possibilities for the promotion of the Convention and the mechanism to facilitate and support implementation of and compliance through cooperation with partner organizations - Brainstorm on other events and opportunities to promote the use of the mechanism <p>4. Contribution of the Committee to different activities under the Convention</p> <p>Based on the presentation by the secretariat on the programme of work, the Committee will discuss participation of the Committee members in relevant activities and events.</p>	Open
Friday, 17 February 2023		
10.00 – 10.30	Any preparation to joint consultations or remaining items from the previous day	
10.30 – 11.30	Joint consultations with Montenegro and Albania	Montenegro and Albania join the Committee
11.30 – 11.45	The Committee will discuss any follow up to the Advisory procedure WAT/IC/AP/1	
11.45 – 12.15	<p>3. Cooperation with other committees and organizations</p> <p>The joint secretariat of the Protocol on Water and Health will brief the Committee on the outcomes of the 6th session of the MOP related to general issues of compliance.</p>	Open
12.15 – 13.00	6. Programme of work and calendar for the next meetings	Open

	<p>7. Any other business</p> <p>8. Presentation of the main decisions taken, modalities for preparation of the meeting report and closing of the session</p>	
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