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Eleventh session Geneva, 27–28 November 2013 Item 2 of the provisional agenda Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the eleventh session*

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, 27 November 2013

I. Provisional agenda

A. THE PEP 2013 Symposium: Active Mobility for All: Safe and Healthy Walking and Cycling in Cities

1. THE PEP 2013 Symposium.

^{*} The Steering Committee will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva, Palais des Nations. In accordance with United Nations accreditation procedures, participants are requested to complete the registration form available on the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) website (www.unece.org/meetings/practical_information/confpart.pdf) and to send it to the secretariat by email (secretariat@thepep.org) no later than two weeks before the meeting. On the day of the meeting, delegates should obtain an identification badge from the Pass and Identification Unit at the United Nations Office at Geneva Security and Safety Section at the Pregny gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). A map is available on the UNECE website (www.unece.org/meetings/UN_Map.pdf). For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of the documents mentioned in this provisional agenda to the meeting. Documents for the meeting may be downloaded from THE PEP website (www.thepep.org).

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II. Annotations

A. THE PEP 2013 Symposium: Active Mobility for All: Safe and Healthy Walking and Cycling in Cities

1. The PEP 2013 Symposium

At its seventh session, the Steering Committee of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) had agreed that, beginning with its eighth session, a symposium would be organized at the beginning of its annual session focusing on the four priority goals of the Amsterdam Declaration (i.e. one goal per year, from 2010–2013). The Symposium, with the participation of selected speakers from Governments, civil society, academia and the private sector, would allow the Committee to deepen the debate and to contribute to assessing the progress made leading up to the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment in 2014 (ECE/AC.21/SC/2009/8–EUR/09/5088363/8, para. 46).

THE PEP 2013 symposium "Active Mobility for All: Safe and Healthy Walking and Cycling in Cities" will be held on 27 November 2013 and focus on Goal 4 (promote policies and actions conducive to healthy and safe modes of transport). The conclusions of the Symposium will be reviewed at the general session of the Steering Committee the following day (see agenda item 5 below). A detailed programme of the Symposium will be available in due course.

Documentation

Concept note on THE PEP 2013 Symposium (ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/2-EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/2).

B. General session of THE PEP Steering Committee

2. Adoption of the agenda

The Steering Committee is expected to adopt the agenda of its eleventh session as prepared by THE PEP secretariat (the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) and the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe (WHO/Europe)) in consultation with the Bureau of the Steering Committee.

Documentation

Provisional agenda (ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/1-EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/1).

3. Election of officers

The Committee will elect a Chair and one or more Vice-Chairs, as needed. In accordance with its rules of procedure, the Chair will rotate on a yearly basis between representatives of the transport, health and environment sectors. The Chair of the Committee's eleventh session should represent the health sector.

The Committee will review the composition of its Bureau (see annex) and consider electing new members.

4. Adoption of the report of the Steering Committee on its tenth session

The Committee will adopt the report of its tenth session (Geneva, 14–15 November 2012). It will take note of the reports of the eighteenth (Geneva, 16 November 2012), nineteenth (Paris, 4–5 April 2012) and twentieth (Copenhagen, 11–12 July 2013) meetings of the extended Bureau.

Documentation

Report of the Steering Committee of THE PEP on its tenth session and report of the eighteenth meeting of the extended Bureau of the Steering Committee (ECE/AC.21/SC/2012/9–EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC10/9); report of the nineteenth meeting of the extended Bureau of the Steering Committee (Informal document No. 1); report of the twentieth meeting of the extended Bureau (Informal document No. 2).

5. Outcome of THE PEP 2013 Symposium

The secretariat will summarize the conclusions from THE PEP 2013 Symposium. The Committee will be invited to consider the results of the Symposium and to decide on follow-up actions.

6. Preparation of the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (14–16 April 2014)

At its tenth session, the Committee launched its preparations for the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment to be held on 14–16 April 2014 in Paris, hosted by the Government of France. The High-level Meeting will be held in concert with the Transport Research Arena (TRA) a forum of transport research, science and technology, expected to attract at least 2,000 people. Pursuant to a decision taken by the Steering Committee at its ninth session (ECE/AC.21/SC/2011/8–EUDHP1003944/7.1/SC9/8,

para. 27) the main preparatory work for the High-level Meeting has been carried out by the Extended Bureau. Two informal meetings were held between the secretariat and France on 20–21 February 2013, Paris and on 3 June 2013 in Lyon. A third informal meeting is planned on 16–17 October 2013 in Paris. The current draft programme for the 4HLM is presented in Informal document No. 3 (Update on the preparations for the 4HLM).

At its April 2013 meeting, the Extended Bureau elaborated a theme for the High-level Meeting: "City in Motion: People First!" to underline the importance of sustainable urban mobility choices supporting the individual lives and livelihoods of citizens, with an emphasis on the health and environmental benefits of active mobility.

Several side events, exhibitions and a joint seminar between THE PEP, the International Transport Forum (ITF) and the TRA are being planned. Background documents will highlight the success achieved in the last five years of THE PEP and implementation of the Amsterdam Goals at national level. The extended Bureau proposed to retain the original Amsterdam Goals and to add a fifth goal reflecting the importance of urban resilience and spatial planning to prepare cities for demographic, environmental and social change. The renewed goals will be enshrined in the Paris Declaration — the main outcome document of the High-level Meeting.

The Committee is expected to agree on the proposed theme for the High-level Meeting and discuss the draft Outcome Document of the event.

Documentation

Discussion on the Outcome Document for the Fourth High-level Meeting (ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/3–EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/3 reports of the eighteenth (Geneva, 16 November 2012), nineteenth (Paris, 4–5 April 2012) and twentieth (Copenhagen, 11–12 July 2013)). Update on the preparations for the High-level Meeting (Informal document No. 3).

7. Implementing the Amsterdam Declaration

The Committee will consider progress made in the framework of the three implementation mechanisms of the Amsterdam Declaration: National Transport, Health and Environment Action Plans (NTHEAPs); THE PEP relay race; and THE PEP Partnerships.

(a) National Transport, Health and Environment Action Plans

At its tenth session, the Committee considered the final text of a manual for developing national transport, health and environment action plans (NTHEAPs). The Committee may wish to discuss ways to assist member States in developing NTHEAPs and to build the capacity of countries that integrate transport, health and environment policies.

Documentation

NTHEAP manual (Informal document No. 4).

(b) THE PEP relay race (staffete)

THE PEP relay race (staffete) continued its journey in 2013 by passing the "baton" of key messages on sustainable mobility across the ECE–WHO/Europe region. The Staffete was launched in Amsterdam in 2009 and travelled thereafter to Prague, Skopje, Batumi (Georgia), Kyiv, Moscow and Almaty (Kazakhstan). The Committee may wish to consider the results of the Almaty Workshop on "Green and Health-friendly Sustainable Mobility: Focus on Urban Central Asia". The subregional workshop was held on 26–27 September 2013, organized by the Ministry of Transport and Communication, Ministry of Environmental Protection and the Ministry of Public health, Republic of Kazakhstan and

AKIMAT (municipal authority of Almaty) in cooperation with the GEF-UNDP Project "City of Almaty Sustainable Transport".

The Committee may wish to re-visit the results of the Moscow workshop to assess progress made since the June 2012 workshop. The delegation of the Russian Federation is invited to inform the Committee of relevant developments following the workshop.

The representative of France will present the draft Compendium of Staffete Experiences 2009–2013, reflecting the results and action points for policymakers of the entire series of staffete workshops held during the relay race, from Amsterdam to Paris. The Bureau agreed at its twentieth meeting in Copenhagen that the Compendium would be combined with the draft Assessment Report of Progress made on THE PEP (see item 8 (a) below) into one publication to be launched at the High-level Meeting. "From Amsterdam to Paris and beyond: THE PEP Policy Review and THE PEP Future."

Delegations are invited to propose or confirm offers to hold future workshops in 2014 and beyond.

Documentation

Report of the Almaty Workshop (Informal document No. 5), report of the Moscow workshop (ECE/AC.21/SC/2012/4–EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC10/4).

(c) THE PEP Partnerships

Following the re-launch of THE PEP Partnerships, a further development and quantification of the economic scope of green and healthy jobs in transport is planned. A draft report will be presented to the Committee for consideration, then publication as "Jobs in Green and Healthy Transport" at the High-level Meeting.

The delegation of Austria will inform the Committee about progress made in the development of the TRANSDANUBE initiative, a transboundary project on sustainable mobility management and eco-friendly tourism along the Danube River which may contribute to both THE PEP Partnerships and the European Union Danube Strategy.

The delegation of Austria will, moreover, present a proposal for a new PEP Partnership on a pan-European platform for national cycling coordinators.

The secretariat will inform the Committee about revisions to the Health Economic Assessment Tools (HEAT) for walking and cycling. HEAT has been developed as part of a THE PEP Partnership, with support from Austria, Switzerland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Commission.

A representative of France will present the draft Study on Signs and Signals for Active Mobility, to be launched at the High-level Meeting.

Documentation

Green and healthy jobs in transport (Informal document No. 6) and Study on Signs and Signals for Active Mobility (Informal document No. 7).

8. Managing THE PEP

(a) Monitoring implementation

At its tenth session, the Steering Committee considered replies to THE PEP Questionnaire on the implementation of the Amsterdam Goals and agreed to re-circulate it in 2013. This questionnaire was sent to all THE PEP focal points in August 2013. Based on the replies and analyses over the past several years, the secretariat, in cooperation with France, would combine the former Assessment Report of Progress Made, with the draft Compendium of

Staffete Experiences, to produce a single document to be launched at the High-level meeting: "From Amsterdam to Paris and Beyond: THE PEP Policy Review and THE PEP Future."

Delegations may wish to report on projects and activities in their countries that have been or are planned to be undertaken at national or municipal levels. They are encouraged to report not only on good practices and experience gained, but also on the challenges they face in implementing environment- and health-friendly transport policies in their countries.

Documentation

From Amsterdam to Paris and Beyond: THE PEP Policy Review and THE PEP Future (Informal document No. 8).

(b) Communication strategy

At its tenth session, the Steering Committee was informed about the upgrading of THE PEP Clearing House. The Committee may wish to review its role and function over the longer term and consider measures to ensure adequate resources. The Committee may wish to provide further direction to increase the visibility of THE PEP.

Documentation

Proposed communication activities for 2014 (Informal document No. 9).

(c) Programme of work for 2013–2014

The Committee is invited to review activities completed in 2013 and to adopt its programme of work for 2014.

Documentation

THE PEP Programme of work for 2013–2014 (ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/4–EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/4).

(d) Financial matters

The secretariat will inform the Committee on the use of funds in 2013 and provide an outlook for planned expenditures in 2014, on the basis of its programme of work. Delegations are expected to make pledges of contributions, in cash or in kind, to support the implementation of THE PEP in 2014–2015.

Documentation

Status of THE PEP Trust Fund (ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/5–EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/5, English only).

(e) Strengthening synergies with international organizations and processes

The Committee will be informed about collaboration between THE PEP and related international processes with a view to strengthening synergies.

The Committee may wish to discuss ways to strengthen collaboration with international organizations and processes, as well as to promote THE PEP as a model for other regions. In particular, the Committee may wish to continue its discussion on a proposal by the Bureau to collaborate with the World Bank in the Mediterranean region.

9. Other business

The Committee may wish to consider other issues of interest in the field of transport, health and environment.

10. Date and venue of the next session of the Committee and meetings of the Bureau

The twelfth session of the Steering Committee is tentatively scheduled to take place on 19–20 November 2014 at the World Health Organization in Geneva, beginning with THE PEP 2014 Symposium and followed by a meeting of the Bureau on 21 November 2014.

The twenty-second meeting of the Extended Bureau of THE PEP is scheduled to be held in Zürich, Switzerland on 30–31 January 2014, followed by the twenty-third meeting on 16 April 2014 in Paris, following the Fourth High-level Meeting.

III. Organization of work

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3 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.	7 (b)	
3.30 p.m. – 4.10 p.m.	7 (c)	
4.10 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.	8 (a)	
4.30 p.m. – 4.50 p.m.	8 (b)	
4.50 p.m. – 5.15 p.m.	8 (c)	
5.15 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.	8 (d)	
5.30 p.m. – 5.45 p.m.	8 (e)	
5.45 p.m. – 5.55 p.m.	9	
5.55 p.m. – 6 p.m.	10	

^a The session will be followed by the twenty-first meeting of the Extended Bureau of THE PEP Steering Committee on Friday, 29 November, beginning at 9.30 a.m.

Annex

Composition of the Bureau

The current composition of the Bureau is as follows:

Health sector

- Mr. François André (Belgium)
- Mr. Mihail Kochubovski (the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)
- Mr. Ion Shalaru (Republic of Moldova)

Transport sector

- Ms. Nadine Asconchilo (France)
- Mr. Vadim Donchenko (Russian Federation)
- Mr Matthias Rinderknecht (Switzerland)

Environment sector

- Mr. Bart Cobbs (United States of America)
- Mr. Robert Thaler (Austria)
- Ms. Nino Tkhilava (Georgia)
- Ms Biljana Filipovic (Serbia)

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