

Second Preparatory Retreat of the Joint Bureaux  
of the 2017 UN Environment Assembly and  
the Committee of Permanent Representatives  
9 to 10 June 2017  
Hotel Villa Caletas (Pacifico Central)  
Puntarenas, Costa Rica

List of participants

CATEGORY	COUNTRY REGIONAL GROUP	NAME DESIGNATION	STATUS MODE
<b>UNEA Bureau Members</b>			
<b><u>President</u></b>	Costa Rica Latin American and Caribbean Group	<b>H.E. Mr. Edgar Gutiérrez</b> Minister of Environment and Energy	Confirmed
		<b>H.E. Ms. Marta E. Juarez Ruiz</b> Ambassador of the Republic of Costa Rica on Special Mission to UN Environment (UNEP)	Confirmed
<b><u>Vice Presidents</u></b>	<b>Barbados</b> Latin American and Caribbean Group	<b>H.E. Mr. Dennis Lowe</b> Minister of Environment and Drainage	Confirmed
	<b>Czech Republic</b> Eastern European Group	<b>H.E. Mr. Vladislav Smrž</b> Deputy Minister, Ministry of the Environment	Confirmed
	<b>Gabon</b> Africa Group	<b>H.E. Ms. Estelle Ondo</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs	Apologies
	<b>Iraq</b> Asia Pacific Group	<b>H.E. Dr. Mr. Jassim Humadi</b> Acting Minister of Health and Environment	Apologies
	<b>Montenegro</b> Eastern European Group	<b>H.E. Mr. Milorad Šćepanović</b> Permanent Representative of Montenegro to UN and other international organizations	Confirmed
	<b>Philippines</b> Asia Pacific Group	<b>H.E. Ramon J.P. Paje</b> Senior Advisor to the Climate Change Commission	Confirmed
	<b>United States of America</b> Western European and Others Group	<b>Mr. John Matuszak</b> Senior Advisor, Office of Environmental Quality and Transboundary Issues, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs Department of State	Confirmed
		<b>Mr. Joel Hansen</b> Deputy Permanent Representative	Confirmed
	Nigeria Africa Group	<b>H.E. Mr. Ibrahim Usman Jibril</b> Minister of State for Environment	Confirmed
		<b>Mr. Ahmad Salihijo</b> Special Assistant	Confirmed

<b><u>Rapporteur</u></b>	<b>Belgium</b> Western European and Others Group	<b>H.E. Ms. Roxanne de Bilderling</b> Ambassador and Permanent Representative	Confirmed
<b>CPR Bureau Members for 2016-2017</b>			
Chair (Eastern Europe)	<b>Romania</b>	<b>H.E. Ms. Julia Pataki</b> Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Romania	Confirmed
Vice Chair (Asia-Pacific)	<b>Pakistan</b>	<b>H.E. Mr. Raza Bashir Tarar</b> High Commissioner and Permanent Representative of Pakistan	Confirmed
Vice Chair (Africa)	<b>Botswana</b>	<b>H.E. Mr. John Moreti</b> High Commissioner and Permanent Representative of Botswana	Confirmed
Rapporteur (Western Europe and Others)	<b>Finland</b>	<b>Mr. Toni Sandell</b> Deputy Permanent Representative of Finland	Confirmed
Vice Chair (Latin American and Caribbean States)	<b>Brazil</b>	<b>H.E. Mrs. Marcela M. Nicodemos</b> Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Brazil	Confirmed
<b>Others</b>			
GRULAC	<b>Colombia</b>	<b>H.E. Ms. Elizabeth Ines Taylor Jay</b> Ambassador-Designate and Permanent Representative, and President Pro-Tempore for GRULAC	Confirmed