

Committee of Permanent Representatives
Bureau Meeting
Friday 16 October 2020
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Virtual

MEETING SUMMARY

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda.

1. H.E. Mr. Fernando Coimbra, Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Brazil, chaired the meeting, in which the following participated:

The Committee of Permanent Representatives Bureau members:

H.E. Mr. Marek Rohr-Garztecki, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Poland, Vice Chair, Eastern European Group;

H.E. Ms. Francisca Ashietey-Odunton, High Commissioner and Permanent Representative of Ghana, Rapporteur, Africa Group;

Ms. Gudi Alkemade, Deputy Permanent Representative of The Netherlands representing H.E. Mr. Maarten Brouwer, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of The Netherlands, Vice Chair, Western European and Other States Group

The Bureau of the UN Environment Assembly was represented in ex officio by:

H.E. Ms. Eline Rognlie, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Norway

The UN Environment Programme Secretariat was represented by:

Ms. Joyce Msuya, Deputy Executive Director;

Mr. Rafael Peralta, Chief of Staff a.i.;

Mr. Jorge Laguna-Celis, Secretary of Governing Bodies;

Mr. Ulf Bjornholm, Deputy Secretary of Governing Bodies;

Mr. Stadler Trengrove, Principal Legal Officer

2. The meeting adopted the agenda with an amendment to add a new agenda item; "Update on the outcome of the Process for review by the CPR".

2. Update on the outcome of the Process for review by the CPR

3. The Chair informed the meeting that based on informal feedback from some Member States on the compromise proposal he had presented as an outcome for the process for review by the CPR, the text might not yet be met by full consensus, and suggested that pending the outcome of the annual subcommittee the text would be forwarded to UNEA-5 for final consideration.
4. The Bureau acknowledged the excellent preparatory work by the two co-facilitators for the Process for review by the CPR, thanked the Chair for his constructive compromise proposal and encouraged the Chair to seek consensus as far as possible on the package as a whole at the final session of the annual subcommittee.

3. Preparation of a Chair's Summary.

5. The Chair expressed his appreciation to the Secretariat and to the Bureau Members for their inputs the draft Chair's Summary.
6. The Bureau agreed to circulate the draft Chair's summary with CPR Members for their consideration prior to the last session of the annual subcommittee, taking into account inputs from Members of the CPR Bureau.

4. Other matters.

7. The Chair underlined the need for a thorough preparation of the identification of possible outcomes at the first and second part of UNEA-5, respectively, with the aim to achieve broad agreement at the 152nd meeting of the CPR, scheduled for 19 November 2020, and suggested that a subcommittee may be scheduled to consider the matter.
8. Following discussion, the Bureau decided to revert to this matter at its next meeting, scheduled for 23 October 2020.

5. Closing of the Meeting.

9. The meeting closed at 11:15 a.m.