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Partnership Advisory Group
Third meeting**
Nairobi, 5 – 6 November 2011
Item 2(b) of the provisional agenda
Organizational matters: Organization of work

Annotated Provisional Agenda

Item 1: Opening of the Meeting

1. The third meeting of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Global Mercury Partnership Advisory Group, to be held from 5 to 6 November 2011 in Nairobi, Kenya at the United Nations Gigiri complex, will be opened at 13:00 on Saturday, 5 November 2011.

Item 2: Organizational matters

(a) Election of a chair

2. Annex I Section 3.d of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Overarching Framework states that the Partnership Advisory Group will select a Chair who will serve for a two year term. The chair may be re-elected and may serve a maximum of two terms. The two year term of Ms. Abiola Olanipekun of Nigeria, who was selected as chair at the first meeting of the Partnership Advisory Group in March 2009, has come to an end. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to select a suitable chair in accordance with Annex I Section 3.d of the Overarching Framework.

(b) Adoption of the agenda

3. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to adopt the agenda for the meeting on the basis of the provisional agenda set out in document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.3/1.

(c) Organization of work.

4. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to agree on suitable meeting hours, subject to adjustments as necessary.

Item 3: Review overall progress, including status of partnership areas

5. Annex I Section 3.f.i and ii of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Overarching Framework state that the functions and responsibilities of the Partnership Advisory Group include encouraging the work of the partnership areas as well as reviewing the partnership area business plans in order to advise the partnership areas on the consistency of the business plans with the overall goal and operational guidelines of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership.
6. Business plans for seven partnership areas have been updated by the partnership areas. They are compiled and available for information and further discussion as meeting document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.3/2.
7. Annex I Section 3.f.v of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Overarching Framework states that one of the functions and responsibilities of the Partnership Advisory Group includes reporting on activities within the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership. An interim report on activities within the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership for July 2010 to June 2011 has been prepared by UNEP for consideration of the Partnership Advisory Group. The document is available for information and discussion as meeting document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.3/3.
8. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to discuss and provide input on the business plans and the interim, report on activities taking into consideration the relevant outcomes of INC3 and consider areas where the partnerships areas may contribute to follow up.

Item 4: Consider overarching issues and lessons learned

9. Annex I Section 3.f.iv of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Overarching Framework states that one of the functions and responsibilities of the Partnership Advisory Group includes communicating overarching issues and lessons learned while promoting synergy and collaboration across partnership areas.
10. The Overall Progress Report of the United Nations Global Mercury Partnership from January 2009 – June 2010 is available as meeting document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.3/4. The document was drafted to encourage the work of the partnership areas in moving forward. It is intended that such a document will be drafted every two years, as part of the reporting to the UNEP Governing Council.
11. An independent strategic review was undertaken for the artisanal and small-scale gold mining partnership area and is available as meeting document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.3/5. The document was drafted to consider lessons learned in implementing the partnership area and to promote increased synergy and collaboration of the artisanal and small-scale gold mining partnership area in moving forward.
12. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to discuss and provide input on the Global Mercury Partnership follow up in response to issues identified in the overall progress report as well as the independent strategic review of the artisanal and small-scale gold mining partnership area taking in mind the partnership area business plans and the relevant outcomes of INC3.

Item 5: Other matters

13. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to consider other issues raised during the meeting.

Item 6: Closure of the meeting

14. It is expected that the meeting will conclude by 6 p.m. on Sunday 6th November 2011.