

Committee of Permanent Representatives
Bureau Meeting
Wednesday 27 October 2021
10:00 am - 11.30 p.m. (GMT+3)
In person - Conference room 10

MEETING SUMMARY

Agenda Item 1: Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda.

1. H.E. Mrs. Luísa Fragoso, Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives and Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Portugal opened the meeting.

The Committee of Permanent Representatives Bureau members

H.E. Mrs. Selma Malika Haddadi, Ambassador of Algeria to the Republic of Kenya and Permanent Representative to the UN Environment Programme, Vice Chair of the CPR

H.E. Mr. Erasmo Roberto Martínez, Ambassador of Mexico to the Republic of Kenya and Permanent Representative to the UN Environment Programme, Vice Chair of the CPR

Mr. Ado Lohmus, Permanent Representative of Estonia to the UN Environment Programme, Vice Chair of the CPR

H.E. Ms. Saqlain Syedah, Ambassador of Pakistan to the Republic of Kenya and Permanent Representative to the UN Environment Programme, Rapporteur of the CPR

The Bureau of the UN Environment Assembly, represented *ex officio*

Mr. Øystein Størkersen, Deputy Permanent Representative of Norway to the UN Environment Programme

Mr Clément PAYEUR, Deputy Permanent Representative of France to the UN Environment Programme

The UN Environment Programme Secretariat

Ms. Inger Andersen, Executive Director

Mr. Rafael Peralta, Chief of Staff

Mr. Ulf Bjornholm, Secretary a.i. of Governing Bodies

Mr. Stadler Trengove, Principal Legal Officer

2. The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all participants, followed by opening remarks by UNEP's Executive Director, Ms. Inger Andersen, who commended the Bureau members for their leadership during the first 2 days of the 8th annual subcommittee meeting, and looked forward to discussions on the remaining agenda items.
3. The meeting [agenda](#) was adopted.

Agenda Item 2: Review and follow-up work related to the 8th Annual Subcommittee meeting.

4. The Chair summarized the rich discussion during the first 2 days of the meeting, noting that a record number of 15 resolutions had been presented or announced, and confirmed that the outstanding presentations by the secretariat on the Programme Performance Review will take place on Thursday 28 October afternoon. She noted that the appropriated time must be allocated to finalize consideration of this agenda item.
5. Several Bureau Members expressed concern about the workload relating to the high number of draft resolution and noted that they may need to be merged and/or divided into clusters, while also acknowledging that Member States have the sovereign right to submit draft resolutions in line with the UNEA rules of procedure. The Bureau considered important to continue the outreach to regional and political groups on this matter.
6. The Chair requested the secretariat to initiate assessment of the budgetary implications of the draft resolutions and proposed to continue consideration of the necessary follow-up actions after the meeting of the annual subcommittee, including on the processes of draft resolutions and the special session on UNEP@50, at its next meeting on 29 October. The secretariat was also requested to share a preliminary draft of the Chair's Summary for comments with the Bureau before circulation to the full membership on Thursday evening.

Agenda item 3: Organization of Work.

7. The Chair requested the secretariat to identify possible additional subcommittee meetings to facilitate consideration of draft resolution, and suggested to revert to this issue at the next Bureau meeting on 29 October.

Agenda Item 4: Other matters.

8. No other matters were raised.

Agenda Item 5: Closing of the meeting.

9. The meeting closed at 12:00 p.m.