

First joint retreat of the Bureaux of the sixth United Nations ironment Environment Assembly (UNEA-6) and of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR)

6-7 July, Tangier, Morocco

Revised draft annotated provisional agenda and programme

THURSDAY, 6 JULY 2023, 14:00 - 15:00

An informal exchange of views on the preparations for UNEA-6 will be held with the participation of the Bureaux members and the Major Groups and Stakeholders accredited to UNEP and its governing bodies.

THURSDAY, 6 JULY 2023, 15:30 - 18:30

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

The joint retreat will be opened by the President of the United Nations Environment Assembly and the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, followed by opening remarks by the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.

2. **Preparations for UNEA-6.**

a) Draft ministerial declaration for UNEA-6.

The President will update the joint Bureaux on the process, including an update on the written inputs received and the informal consultations held on 20 June, and invite the members of the two Bureaux to provide further guidance to ensure an ambitious and balanced final document based on an inclusive and transparent consultation process.

Expected outcome: Strategic guidance provided to the UNEA Presidency on the preparation of the draft ministerial declaration for UNEA-6.

Documentation: Zero draft of the ministerial declaration, prepared by the UNEA-6 Presidency.

b) Draft annotated agenda and structure for UNEA-6.

The UNEA and CPR Bureaux members will be invited to consider the draft annotated agenda and draft structure for UNEA-6 based on a proposal from the Secretariat, bearing in mind the Outcome of the Process for review by the CPR as endorsed by UNEA-5 in resolution 5/4 and key lessons learned from previous sessions of UNEA. The Bureaux members will also be invited to discuss the participation modalities for UNEA-6. The Bureaux members will also be briefed on a handbook for delegates for UNEA.

Expected outcomes:

- Agreement on the draft provisional agenda and the draft annotated provisional agenda.
- Agreement on the concept note on the supplementary item "Cooperation with multilateral environmental agreements".
- Agreement on the structure of UNEA-6 as well as the participation modalities for UNEA-6.

<u>Documentation:</u> <u>Draft provisional agenda, draft annotated provisional agenda, structure</u> for UNEA-6, concept note on the supplementary item and a UNEA handbook for delegates prepared by the Secretariat.

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2. Preparations for UNEA-6. (cont.)

c) Process for submission of draft resolutions and decisions for UNEA-6.

The UNEA and CPR Bureaux members will be invited to consider draft guidelines on the submission of draft resolutions and decisions by Member States for UNEA-6, including with regard to key deadlines for submitting draft resolutions, the role of the annual subcommittee meeting of the CPR, and the appointment of co-facilitators to lead the negotiations, bearing in mind the Outcome of the Process for review by the CPR as endorsed by UNEA-5 in resolution 5/4, and lessons learned from previous sessions of UNEA sessions.

<u>Expected outcomes:</u> Strategic guidance to the Secretariat and Member States on the process for submission of draft resolutions and decisions, including approval of the guidelines on the submission of draft resolutions and decisions as well as agreement on the deadlines for the submission of draft resolutions and decisions.

Documentation:

- <u>Draft guidelines</u> on submission of draft resolutions and decisions prepared by the Secretariat.
- The <u>UNEA-5.2 Assessment and lessons learned</u> document, as endorsed by the CPR in May 2022.
- The <u>Outcome of the Process for review</u> by the CPR as endorsed by UNEA-5 in resolution 5/4.

d) Draft communication strategy for UNEA-6.

The UNEA and CPR Bureaux members will be invited to consider a draft communication strategy for UNEA-6 prepared by the Secretariat.

Expected outcome: Preliminary feedback on the draft communication strategy.

<u>Documentation</u>: <u>Draft communication strategy</u> for UNEA-6, prepared by the Secretariat.

3. Other matters

The UNEA and CPR Bureaux will discuss any other matters.

4. Closing of the meeting.

Closing remarks by the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, followed by joint closing by the President of the UNEA and the Chair of the CPR.