

Progress Report on UNEA 5 Resolutions

Major Groups and Stakeholders Consultations – 2023
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Overview of key UNEA 5 resolutions intergovernmental processes

- Working Group on Nitrogen (UNEA Res. 4/14 & 5/2)
- Seventh Global Environment Outlook assessment (UNEA Res. 5/3)
- Intergovernmental consultations on Nature-based solutions (UNEA Res. 5/5)
- Consultation on Issues of concern sound mgt of chemicals and waste (UNEA Res. 5/7) (UNEA Res. 5/8)
- OEWG on establishing a Science Policy Panel on pollution, chemicals and waste (UNEA Res. 5/8)
- Consultations on Environmental aspects of minerals and metals management (UNEA Res. 5/12)
- Animal welfare–environment–sustainable development nexus (UNEA Res. 5/1)
- Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on Plastic Pollution (UNEA Res. 5/14)



Seventh Global Environment Outlook assessment (UNEA Res. 5/3)

- **GEO-7 co-chairs:** Sir Robert Watson, Dr Nyovani Madise, Dr Edgar Gutierrez-Espeleta, Dr Ying Wang.
- **GEO-7 Advisory Bodies (composed of Member States and Stakeholders)**
 - The [Intergovernmental and Multi-stakeholder Advisory Group \(IMAG\)](#) (policy guidance).
 - The [Multidisciplinary expert scientific advisory group \(MESAG\)](#) (scientific credibility)
- **GEO-7 experts**
 - 250 selected experts based on expertise, gender and geographical balance
 - The team also includes 40 young professionals (under 35 years old) contributing as “fellows”
- **UNEP progress report** to UNEA-6
- **GEO 7 Summary for Policymakers** will be negotiated by Member States in 2026
- **GEO-7 final report will be launched at UNEA-7** for endorsement by Member States

Intergovernmental consultations on Nature-based solutions (UNEA Res. 5/5)

- **Co-Chairs:** Ms Giovanna Valverde Stark, Costa Rica, and Ms. Sikeade Egbuwalo, Nigeria
- **Global and Regional Consultations**
 - 1st Global Consultations on 16 -17 May 2023, virtual with over 300 participants
 - Regional consultations for all 5 UN regional consultations planned for June – July, virtual
 - 2 Global Consultations planned for 9-13 October 2023, in Nairobi, in person
- UNEP will prepare an information note with the Co-Chairs' summary of the consultations to UNEA 6

OEWG to establish a new Science Policy Panel on pollution, chemicals and waste (UNEA Res. 5/8)

- **Mandate:** OEWG to prepare proposals for the new science-policy panel by end 2024, incl design, governance, name and scope and principal functions
- **Chair:** Ms. Gudi Alkemade, the Netherlands.
- **Meetings of the OEWG SPP**
 - 1st meeting first part 6 October 2022 in Nairobi, hybrid
 - 1st meeting second part 30 Jan – 2 February 2023 in Bangkok, in-person
 - 2nd meeting 11 -15 December 2023 in Dead Sea Jordan, in person
 - 3rd and final meeting June 2024 in Geneva, in person
- Several **stakeholder events and surveys** have been also been organized
- At the next meeting in Jordan Member States are expected request the Secretariat to prepare a draft decision for final negotiation at the 3rd meeting
- UNEP will prepare a **progress report** to UNEA-6; no further action expected
- An international conference to constitute the panel is expected 2nd half of 2024

Consultations on Environmental aspects of minerals and metals management (UNEA Res. 5/12)

- **Co-chairs:** Ms. Martine Rohn Brossard, Switzerland, and Ms. Saqlain Syedah, Pakistan
- **Purpose:** develop non-prescriptive proposals to enhance the environmental sustainability of minerals and metals along their full life cycle
- **Global and Regional Consultations**
 - Regional consultations held in April-July 2023, in Geneva/Paris/Santiago/Bangkok/Dakar, hybrid format
 - A global intergovernmental meeting is planned for 7 -8 September in Geneva, hybrid.
- UNEP will prepare a progress report for UNEA-6 for possible further action by Member States
- A Co-Chairs summary of the consultations will be submitted to UNEA 6 as an information note

Working Group on Nitrogen (UNEA Res. 4/14 & 5/2)

- **Co-chairs** Ms. Purvaja Ramachandran, India, and Mr. Mihai Constantinescu, Romania.
- **Purpose:** implement resolutions 4/14 and 5/2 on “Sustainable nitrogen management”.
 - 1st meeting of the Working Group – 8-9 June 2020, virtual
 - 2nd meeting of the Working Group - 17 January 2023, virtual
 - 3rd meeting of the Working Group – 27 April 2023, hybrid in Bucharest Romania
 - Informal expert meeting in collaboration with the Global Partnership on Nutrient Management (GPNM) – 28 April 2023, Bucharest Romania.
 - 4th meeting of the Working Group planned for 28-29 September 2023, hybrid in Nairobi and 5th meeting in January/ February 2024
 - UNEA accredited stakeholders are invited to participate as observers as well as members of the Global Partnership on Nutrient Management

Consultation on issues of concern – sound management of chemicals and waste (UNEA Res. 5/7)

- **Mandate:** UNEA Res. 5/7 requests UNEP to seek views from Member States and other stakeholders on international action on “Issues of Concern” and a summary analysis, taking into account the views received
- **Consultation process**
 - Webinar on 27 April 2023 to introduce 19 “issues of concern” in the Assessment Report
 - An expert consultation was held on 15 June
 - A call for written inputs was sent out in June to gather views from Member States and stakeholders
 - A Global Consultation is planned for 11-12 July in Geneva
- UNEP will submit a progress report at UNEA-6



Thank you!



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