Preparations for UNEA-6

The 7th Africa Animal Welfare Conference
25-27 September 2023 – Kigali, Rwanda

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Overview

UNEA history and structure
UNEA-6 Theme
UNEA-6 Ministerial Declaration
Outcomes of the joint Bureau retreat:
  • Provisional Agenda
  • Structure
  • Participation modalities
  • Guidelines for the submission of draft resolutions and decisions

Update on status of Accreditation to the CPR
UN Environment Programme Governance Structure

**UN Environment Assembly (UNEA)**
- Every 2 years – universal membership
- 10 members from the 5 UN regions
- Meets 4-6 times a year

**Bureau of UNEA**
- 5 members from the 5 UN regions
- Meets every month

**Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR)**
- Composed of about 130 members including the Holy See, the State of Palestine and the European Union
- Quarterly CPR meetings
  - Formal
  - 4 times a year
- Subcommittee meetings
  - Informal
  - Once or twice a month
- Open Ended CPR meeting
  - Acts as PREPCOM for UNEA
  - Every 2 years, back-to-back with UNEA

**CPR Bureau**
- Annual Subcommittee meeting
  - Oversight and review of the Medium-Term strategy and the Programme of Work
  - Once a year
United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA)

Key mandates and functions [Governing Council decision 27/2 of 2013]

- Sets the **global environmental agenda**
- Provides **overarching policy guidance** and defines **policy responses** to emerging environmental challenges
- Undertakes **policy review, dialogue and exchange** of experiences
- Sets the **strategic guidance** on the future direction of UNEP
- Organizes **multi-stakeholder dialogue** sessions
- Fosters **partnerships** for achieving environmental goals through resources mobilization
UNEA-6 takes place 26 February – 1 March 2024, Nairobi
Preceded by its “Prepcom”, OECPR-6, 19-23 February

UNEA-6 Theme:
“Effective, inclusive and sustainable multilateral actions to
tackle climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution”

The UNEA-6 theme was defined on 30 January 2023 by the UNEA Bureau, in
close collaboration with the CPR Bureau and based on extensive consultations
with the Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR)
Consultations are held under the leadership of the UNEA-6 Presidency, who also holds the pen

- A **roadmap** for the consultation on the UNEA-6 ministerial declaration was shared in April 2023
- A "**zero draft**" was made available to all delegations and stakeholder in May 2023, with an invitation to provide inputs in writing
- First **informal consultations** was held in June 2023, next consultation to be held end of September
- A **first full draft** of ministerial declaration was shared in August, based on the inputs on the zero draft in writing and at the first informal consultation
- **Further consultations and calls for inputs** in writing will be organized on 26 September and during the 10th Annual Subcommittee meeting of the CPR
1. Opening of the session.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
3. Credentials of representatives.
5. International environmental policy and governance issues.
6. Programme of work and budget, and other administrative and budgetary issues.
7. Stakeholder engagement.
8. Contributions to the meetings of the high-level political forum on sustainable development and implementation of the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
9. High-level segment.
11. Provisional agenda, date and venue of the seventh session of the Environment Assembly.
12. Adoption of the resolutions, decisions and outcome document of the session.
14. Other matters.
15. Adoption of the report.
16. Closure of the session.
### STRUCTURE OF THE SIXTH SESSION OF UNEA

Theme: “Effective, inclusive and sustainable multilateral actions to tackle climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution”

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