

10th Annual Subcommittee Meeting of the CPR: UK Interventions

Agenda Item 3b: Management and Administration of UNEP.

Thank you Chair and Madam Deputy Executive Director and Director of Corporate Services.

The presentation on UNEP's management and administration is particularly welcome and I wish to applaud the indications of available resource across the sub-programmes and for the GEF-8 Cycle and accreditation with the GCF.

With regard to UNEP's Private Sector Engagement, our delegation looks forward to a more in-depth update at a forthcoming CPR meeting, especially to consider entry points for increased Member State engagement and support. The recent visit of His Majesty the King to UNON enabled a platform for exploring synergies with the private sector which we are keen to follow up.

Finally, we welcome the updates on geographic diversity and gender balance; and on action to enhance UNEP's 'Operational Excellence'; and to prevent Sexual Exploitation and Harassment.

Agenda Item 4b: UNEA Sessions and related consequences for UNEP's MTS and Programmes of Work and Budget.

The UK's preferred option from the three presented in the Secretariat's background paper is Option 3.

This option doesn't incur any additional costs, on top of what would be allocated for prepared of UNEA-7 anyway, plus aligns UNEP's planning cycle with other UN Secretariat entities, allowing for a timely approval process for the Medium Term Strategy, Programme of Work and budget shortly before implementation.

Agenda Item 6: Future perspectives on environmental multilateralism

The UK welcomes the Summit of the Future as an opportunity to reinforce existing multilateralism and turbo charge SDGs.

The UK also welcomes contributions of HLAB report and thanks the co-chairs for the important substance it has contributed to MS consultations and negotiations.

Finally the UK reaffirms its commitment to ensuring The Summit is a success. We look forward to the inclusion of stakeholders and fruitful negotiations with member states.