

Towards a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution

SPP OEWG Bureau Meeting 6 March 2024

SPP OEWG Secretariat

Opening of the meeting

Adoption of the meeting summary

3 OEWG 3 preparations

Final list of documents (Working documents)

| Working Documents | Title |
|-----------------------------|---|
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/1 | Provisional agenda |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/1/Add.1 | Annotated provisional agenda |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/2 | Compilation of proposals for establishing a science-policy panel |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/2/Add.1 | Rules of procedure |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/2/Add.2 | Financial rules and procedures |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/2/Add.3 | Process for determining the work programme, including prioritization |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/2/Add.4 | Procedures for the preparation and clearance of panel deliverables |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/2/Add.5 | Conflict-of-interest disclosure form |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/3 | Proposals to be considered by the intergovernmental meeting for the purpose of establishing a science-policy panel |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/4 | Proposals on arrangements for consideration and possible approval at the intergovernmental meeting and for onward transmittal to the first session of the panel |

Final list of documents (Information documents)

| Working Documents | Title |
|---------------------------|---|
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/INF/1 | Scenario note by the OEWG Chair |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/INF/2 | Background document on financial arrangements |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/INF/3 | Summary of views expressed on the capacity-building function of the panel |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/INF/4 | Supporting information on work-related processes and procedures |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/INF/5 | Possible options of engagement of the health sector/ WHO in the panel (title tbc) |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/INF/6 | Towards a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution: an overview |
| UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/INF/7 | Compilation of written submissions on OEWG 3 meeting documents |



Agenda item 3: OEWG 3 Preparation

Tentative timeline for the Intergovernmental Meeting

2024

June

2025

Feb

2026

Feb

OEWG 3

Finalized foundational document (proposals for the Science-Policy Panel - Sections A-D)

Draft resolution for the Intergovernmental Meeting to establish the Science-Policy Panel

Draft resolution(s) for the Intergovernmental Meeting to forward proposals to the Science-Policy Panel for adoption at the first session of the panel (P1)

Draft resolution(s) for consideration and possible approval at the Intergovernmental Meeting on interim arrangements

Intergovernmental Meeting (dates and venue tbc)

Establish the Science-Policy Panel

Transmit procedures, policies and guidance, administrative and financial arrangements, and indicative budget to P1 for adoption

Back to Back **P1**

Adopt Rules of Procedure, Conflict-of-Interest Policy

Elect Bureau and subsidiary bodies

Start preparations for first work programme

Establish the secretariat

NOTE:

This note by the secretariat provides the rationale for convening the Intergovernmental Meeting back-to-back with P1:

- To enable the Panel to start its work, P1 can focus on essential decisions in a timely manner
- No need for arrangements to establish an interim secretariat
- Cost-effectiveness of organizing back-to-back meetings

P2

Adopt first work programme



Outline for document 3 - Proposals to be considered by the intergovernmental meeting

Working document UNEP/SPP-CWP/0EWG.3/3

Request: Prepare proposals to be considered by the intergovernmental meeting for the purpose of considering establishing a science-policy panel, for consideration by the ad hoc open-ended working group at its third session

- Background
- Proposals to be considered by the intergovernmental meeting
 - A draft decision establishing the Panel, with finalized foundational document (Sections A D) as its Annex.
 - A draft decision to be forwarded by the intergovernmental meeting to the first session of the panel for consideration by the panel, with Annexes as follows: (i) Rules of procedures; (ii) Financial rules and procedures; (iii) Process for determining the work programme, including prioritization; (iv) Procedures for the preparations and clearance of the Panel deliverables; and (v) Conflict-of-interest policy.



Outline for document 4 – Proposals on interim arrangements

Working document UNEP/SPP-CWP/0EWG.3/4

Request: Prepare proposals on interim arrangements, for consideration by the ad hoc open-ended working group at its third session, for consideration and possible approval at the intergovernmental meeting

- Background
- Proposals on arrangements for consideration and possible approval at the intergovernmental meeting and for onward transmittal to the first session of the panel (P1)



OEWG 3 overall schedule

OEWG logistical arrangements



https://www.unep.org/oewg-spp-chemicals-waste-pollution Registration link: https://indico.un.org/event/1009531/

Venue: International Conference Centre Geneva (CICG), Geneva, Switzerland

Key dates:

17 – 21 June 2024 OEWG 3

16 June 2024

Preceding meetings (informal, regional and stakeholder consultations)

11 March 2024Deadline for requesting funded travel

31 March 2024Deadline for registration



Agenda item 4: OEWG 3 overall schedule

OEWG 3 Tentative schedule at OEWG 3

| | Tentative Schedule for OEWG 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------|----------------------|---|----------------------|---|----------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| Date Time | Sunday 16 June 2024 | Mon 17 June | - | Tuesday 18 June 2024 | | Wednesday 19 June 2024 | | Thursday 20 June 2024 | | Friday 21 June 2024 | | |
| 8-9 a.m. | Regional and other | Bureau meeting Regional and other groups' meetings | | Regional and other | | Bureau meeting Regional and other groups' meetings | | Bureau meeting Regional and other groups' meetings | | Bureau meeting Regional and other groups' meetings | | Bureau meeting |
| 9-10 a.m. | groups' meetings | | | | | | | | | | | Regional and other groups' meetings |
| 10 a.m 1 p.m. | m. | | Agenda item 1 Agenda item 2 Agenda item 3 Agenda item 4 | | stocktake | Plenary s | stocktake | Plenary s | stocktake | Plenary stocktake | | |
| | | | | | CG | CG | CG | CG | CG | Agenda item 4 (continued) Agenda item 5 (continued) Agenda item 6 | | |
| 1-3 p.m. | Lunch Break | Lunch Break | | Lunch Break CG | Lunch Break CG | Lunch Break CG | Lunch Break CG | Lunch Break CG | Lunch Break CG | Lunch break | | |
| 3-6 p.m. | Bureau Meeting | Agenda C | a item 5 | CG | CG | CG | CG | CG | CG | Agenda item 7 Agenda item 8 | | |
| 7 pm onwards | | CG | CG | CG | CG | CG | CG | CG | CG | | | |

Provisional agenda

- 1. Opening of the session.
- 2. Election of officers.
- 3. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters:
- (a) Adoption of the agenda;
- (b) Organizational matters.
- 4. Preparation of proposals for the establishment of a sciencepolicy panel.
- 5. Recommendations to the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme for the preparation of the intergovernmental meeting to establish the science-policy panel.
- 6. Other matters.
- 7. Adoption of the report of the session.
- 8. Closure of the session.



Modalities of work at OEWG 3

- No opening statements are expected under agenda item 1 (Opening of the session).
- The OEWG may wish to allow for general statements under agenda item 4 and agenda item 5.
- Participants are encouraged to provide such statements through regional and political groups and the group of stakeholders.
- Under Agenda item 4 & 5, the secretariat will give a brief presentation of the each
 working document. For each working document, the working group may wish to invite
 governments to consider the specific topics and proposals outlined in the relevant
 documents (including information documents).
- Once governments have intervened regarding a given working document, stakeholders may also be invited to provide their views.



Modalities of work at OEWG 3 (continued)

- Contact groups and informal groups will be established as needed. Contact groups are open to participation by all governments and stakeholders, unless otherwise decided by the Chair or the co-facilitators of contact groups.
- Contact group meetings may be held <u>in parallel</u>, while avoiding, to the extent possible, parallel meetings on closely related issues.
- Efforts will be made to ensure that no contact group meets concurrently with a plenary meeting and that no more than two contact group meetings are held concurrently.
- Contact groups and informal groups will be provided with a clear and concise mandate.
- Given the anticipated limited time available and the limited size of delegations, the OEWG may wish to facilitate an iterative process and limit contact group sessions for working on specific issues to 90 minutes.
- Contact groups and other informal groups will work in English, and, accordingly, documents and non-papers considered at their meetings will be in English.
- Continue to build upon what was already agreed, including in UNEA resolution 5/8 and previous sessions of the OEWG.



Regional meetings

Agenda item 5:

Regional meetings

| | Proposed date | Venue | Format |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Africa | 16 −17 May | Accra, Ghana | In-person |
| Asia Pacific | 20 – 21 May | China | In-person |
| EEG | tbc | tbc | tbc |
| GRULAC | mid May | Panama/Trinidad | In-person/hybrid |
| WEOG | tbc | N/A | online |



Planning for Bureau meetings

Agenda item 6:

Planning for Bureau meetings

| Date | 22 April (Mon) | 22 May (Wed) | 16 June (Sun) |
|--------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Venue | Ottawa | Online | Geneva |
| | (INC-4) | | (OEWG-3) |
| Format | In person/online | Online | In person |



7 Other matters

OEWG budget for 2024

(United States dollars)

| 2024 approved budget | 3 603 631 |
|---|-----------|
| 2024 available budget (contributions and pledges) | 2 249 971 |
| Total to mobilize: | 1 353 660 |



Closing of the meeting

Thank you



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