

Committee of the Permanent Representatives
Subcommittee meeting
Nairobi, 2 May 2024
09:00 – 12.00 and 13.00 – 16:00 (GMT+3)
Hybrid meeting
Conference Room 2 (in person)
and Microsoft Teams (online)

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2. Briefing on human rights and the environment.
3. UNEA-6 assessment and lessons learned.
4. Review of UNEP thematic programmes.
5. Briefing on the preparations for the third session of the ad hoc open-ended working group on a science policy panel (OEWG-3).
6. Briefing on World Environment Day.
7. Briefing on the new UNEP Youth and Education Programme.
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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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

The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Wael Nasreldin Attiya, Vice Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Arab Republic of Egypt to UNEP (morning session), and H.E. Ms. Nicol Adamcová Vice Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic to UNEP (afternoon session). Delegations will be invited to adopt the draft agenda.

In accordance with the [guidance](#) endorsed at [the 162nd meeting of the committee in October 2023](#), delegations may also wish to propose draft decisions and recommendations, as appropriate, under any relevant item on the agenda, to be reflected in the meeting summary for further consideration and possible adoption at the next CPR quarterly meeting, under the standard agenda item “Report of the subcommittee”.

2. Briefing on human rights and the environment.

The Secretariat will provide a briefing on the introduction of the joint activities and collaboration between the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and UNEP in advancing human rights and the environment, based on the Memorandum of Understanding signed between OHCHR and UNEP in 2019. The brief aims to raise awareness, promote and advance the links between human rights and the environment and reflect on key developments in this area. The Committee is invited to take note of the briefing and engage in an exchange of views with Committee Members and the Secretariat.

3. UNEA-6 assessment and lessons learned.

The Committee will continue to consider a revised draft document outlining observations, lessons learned and recommendations from the meetings from the meetings of the sixth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-6), held from 26 February to 1 March 2024 and the sixth open-ended meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (OECPR-6), held from 19 to 23 February 2024. The Committee is invited to provide inputs to the revised draft document, with a view to endorsing it at the next quarterly meeting of the Committee scheduled for June 2024, in accordance with established practice.

4. Review of UNEP thematic programmes.

Following the Committee’s demand for early and strategic planning in the performance of its oversight function vis-à-vis the Programme of Work, presentations will be delivered to the

subcommittee on all 13 thematic programmes between 18 April and 3 December 2024. Under this item, the Secretariat will present an overview of the two following thematic programmes: **1) “Finance and Economic Transformations”**, which aims to transform the finance and economy-wide drivers of unsustainable consumption and production to address the triple planetary crisis; and **2) “Circularity in Sector”**, which aims to scale up the adoption of circularity policies and practices in the plastic, textile, electronic high-impact sectors, while ensuring positive social and economic outcomes, through a common framework of interventions across UNEP. The Committee is invited to take note of the presentation and provide further guidance to the secretariat, as appropriate.

5. Briefing on the preparations for the third session of the ad hoc open-ended working group on a science policy panel (OEWG-3).

The Secretariat will provide a briefing on the update on the third session of the ad hoc open-ended working group to prepare proposals for a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution (OEWG-3), which is scheduled to be held at the International Conference Center in Geneva (CICG), Switzerland, from 17 to 21 June 2024. The Committee is invited to take note of the presentation and provide further guidance to the Secretariat, as appropriate.

6. Briefing on World Environment Day.

The Secretariat will provide a briefing on the upcoming World Environment Day, hosted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 5 June 2024, with a focus on land restoration, desertification and drought resilience, under the slogan “Reviving Lands for a Brighter Future”. The Committee is invited to take note of and exchange views on the presentation on the preparations for the World Environment Day

7. Briefing on the new UNEP Youth and Education Programme.

The Secretariat will provide a briefing on UNEP’s four-year cross-divisional education and youth programme that seeks to shift the awareness, mindsets, skill sets, behaviours and values of young people through formal and non-formal environmental education channels. The Committee is invited to engage in an exchange of views with Committee members and the Secretariat and provide further guidance to the secretariat on the programme and its scaling-up.

8. Other matters.

The meeting will consider any other matters related to its work.

9. Closing of the meeting.

The meeting is expected to close at 16:00 (GMT+3).