Africa Regional Meeting in preparation for the third session of the ad hoc open-ended working group (OEWG 3) on a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution

29-30 May 2024

09:00 - 18:00 GMT

CSIR-Science and Technology Policy Research Conference Room

Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

The Co-Chairs, Oumar Diaouré Cisse and Cyrus Mageria, will open the meeting and invite the
meeting to adopt the provisional agenda. Opening remarks will be provided by the SPP OEWG
Chair and host country.

2. Recap of UNEA Resolution 5/8 and update on the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group process

• Brief recap of UNEA Resolution 5/8 and update on the OEWG process, including the intersessional work leading up to OEWG 3.

3. Organizational matters for the third session of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group

• Presentation of the OEWG 3 provisional agenda (OEWG.3/1), annotated provisional agenda (OEWG.3/1/Add.1) and scenario note (OEWG.3/INF/1), including an overview of documentation, followed by discussion.

4. Preparation of proposals for the establishment of a science-policy panel

- Presentation of OEWG 3 working documents, followed by discussion:
 - o OEWG.3/2: Compilation of proposals for establishing a science-policy panel the foundational document to establish the Panel
 - OEWG.3/2/Add.1: Draft rules of procedure; OEWG.3/2/Add.2: Draft financial procedures; OEWG.3/2/Add.3: Draft process for determining the work programme, including prioritization; OEWG.3/2/Add.4: Draft procedures for the preparation and clearance of panel deliverables; OEWG.3/2/Add.5: Draft conflict-of-interest disclosure form

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

- Presentation of OEWG 3 working documents, followed by discussion:
 - OEWG.3/3: Proposals on the establishment of the Panel to be considered by the intergovernmental meeting
 - OEWG.3/4: Proposals to give effect to arrangements to be considered by the intergovernmental meeting

6. Logistical preparations for the third session of the Open-ended Working Group

7. Other matters

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

8. Closed session with government representatives

 A closed session will be held amongst government representatives participating in the Africa regional meeting.

9. Closure of the meeting

• The meeting is expected to close at 30 May 2024 at 18:00 GMT.