

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

SPP OEWG Bureau Meeting
15 January 2025 (virtual)

SPP OEWG Secretariat

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(a) Dates and venue of OEWG 3.2

Expressions of Interest / Country	China	Uruguay	Kenya
Proponent	Ministry of Ecology and Environment	Ministry of Environment	UNEP (fallback)
Venue	Hangzhou	Punta del Este	UN Offices in Nairobi
Funding offers	Pledge of USD 1.5M considered, if selected	Pledge of ~USD 450k by a donor country, if selected	N/A
Proposed dates for OEWG 3.2/IM	6 – 12 April 2025	14 – 20 June 2025	14 – 20 June 2025
Host Country Agreement	HCA needed – issues flagged	HCA needed – no issues foreseen	HCA not needed
Other relevant information	Expression of interest withdrawn	Change of government	GFC OEWG: 22 – 27 June 2025 in Nairobi

(b) Organization of work

- 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 in parallel, while avoiding, to the extent possible, parallel meetings on closely related issues.
- Contact group meetings will not be scheduled concurrently with a plenary meeting and efforts will be made so that no more than two contact or informal group meetings are scheduled at the same time.
- 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 the time of contact group sessions working on specific issues.
- Contact groups and other informal groups will work in English, and, accordingly, documents and non-papers considered at their meetings will be in English.
- Contact groups will continue to build upon what was already agreed, including in UNEA resolution 5/8 and previous sessions of the OEWG.

(b) Organization of work

Proposed clustering of topics *	Relevant sections in the foundational document and related rules of procedure
Decision making and institutional arrangements, and related rules of procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision making - Functions of the governing body - Membership of the governing body - Participation of observers - Bureau - Interdisciplinary expert committee - Other subsidiary bodies
Name, scope, functions and operating principles, other institutional arrangements (secretariat, financial arrangements, strategic partnerships and evaluation) + draft decision to establish the panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Name of the panel - Scope, objective and functions - Operating principles - Secretariat - Financial arrangements - Strategic partnerships - Evaluation of the operational effectiveness and impact of the panel - Draft decision to establish the panel
Other rules of procedure + draft decision on recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Other rules of procedure - Draft decision on recommendations on draft procedures, policies and guidance for consideration and adoption by the governing body of the panel

* Proposal for interim arrangements forthcoming

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(b) Organization of work – OEWG 3.2 tentative schedule

	Preparatory Day	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4		
8:00-9:00		Bureau	Bureau	Bureau	Bureau		
9:00-10:00	Registration and badge pick-up	Regional meetings/ stakeholder groups	Regional meetings/ stakeholder groups	Regional meetings/ stakeholder groups	Regional meetings/ stakeholder groups		
10:00-11:30	Regional meetings/ stakeholders and informal consultations	Opening Plenary	Plenary Stocktake (tbc)	Plenary Stocktake (tbc)	Plenary		
11:30-13:00		CG	CG	CG	CG		
13:00-15:00		Lunch break		Lunch break		Lunch break	
15:00-16:30		CG	CG	CG	CG	Plenary	
16:30-17:00		Break		Break			Plenary stocktake
17:00-18:30		CG	CG	CG	CG		
18:30-19:00			Break		Break		
19:00-20:30	Bureau	CG	CG	CG	CG		
20:30-21:00		Break		Break			
21:00-22:30...		CG	CG	CG	CG		

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(c) Budget

Financial contributions (in United States dollars)

<i>Contributor</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>	<i>Total</i>
Switzerland	809 234	445 545	445 545	987 275		2 687 599
European Commission			620 040	206 680	700 000	1 526 720
Norway		140 890	649 879	638 813		1 429 582
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland		327 360	201 689	64 700		593 749
France		158 395	201 699	203 115		563 209
Netherlands (Kingdom of the)			104 441	212 265		316 706
Germany		196 514				196 514
Japan			135 996			135 996
United States of America			128 713			128 713
Belgium			46 031	19 481		65 512
Austria			10 965	53 022		63 987
Finland			10 965	31 551		42 516
Sweden (Kemi)				19 170		19 170
UNEP reserve allocation		228 000				228 000
UNEP Environment Fund		275 000		75 000		350 000
Total income	809 234	1 771 704	2 555 963	2 511 072	700 000	8 347 973

(c) Budget

Summary of income and expenditures/budget (United States dollars)

	2025 (up to 31 July 2025)
Income carry over from 2024	1 125 391
Income secured in 2025	700 000
Expenditures/budget	3 187 459
Total to mobilize:	1 362 068

Note: Additional pledge of ~USD 450k received from a donor country to support Uruguay's offer to host OEWG 3.2, if selected

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Other matters

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Closing of the meeting

Thank you



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