

Governance Affairs Office

UN Environment Programme Subcommittee meeting

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***Agenda item 2: Discussion on the theme for the
2020 UN Environment Assembly***



The UN Environment Assembly, as the leading global authority on the Environment, can make a difference in people's lives.

Breaking up with single use plastics #BeatPollution



The choice of the theme matters. In making their decision, leaders guiding the Assembly can consider a few basic principles:

- **Take implementation seriously;**
- **Ensure ownership by all;**
- **Help all relevant stakeholders prioritize their actions;**



“The world is not on track to achieve the environmental dimension of the SDGs, and other internationally agreed environmental goals, by 2030, and is not on track to deliver long-term sustainability by 2050”. **GEO-6**



“Every day that passes without real action is failure. And every year that passes without bold changes is a complete disaster.”

Greta Thunberg’s message to the Assembly



Assembly themes compel to action.

Once agreed they provide the basis for campaigns and also provide direction to political outcomes and partnerships.

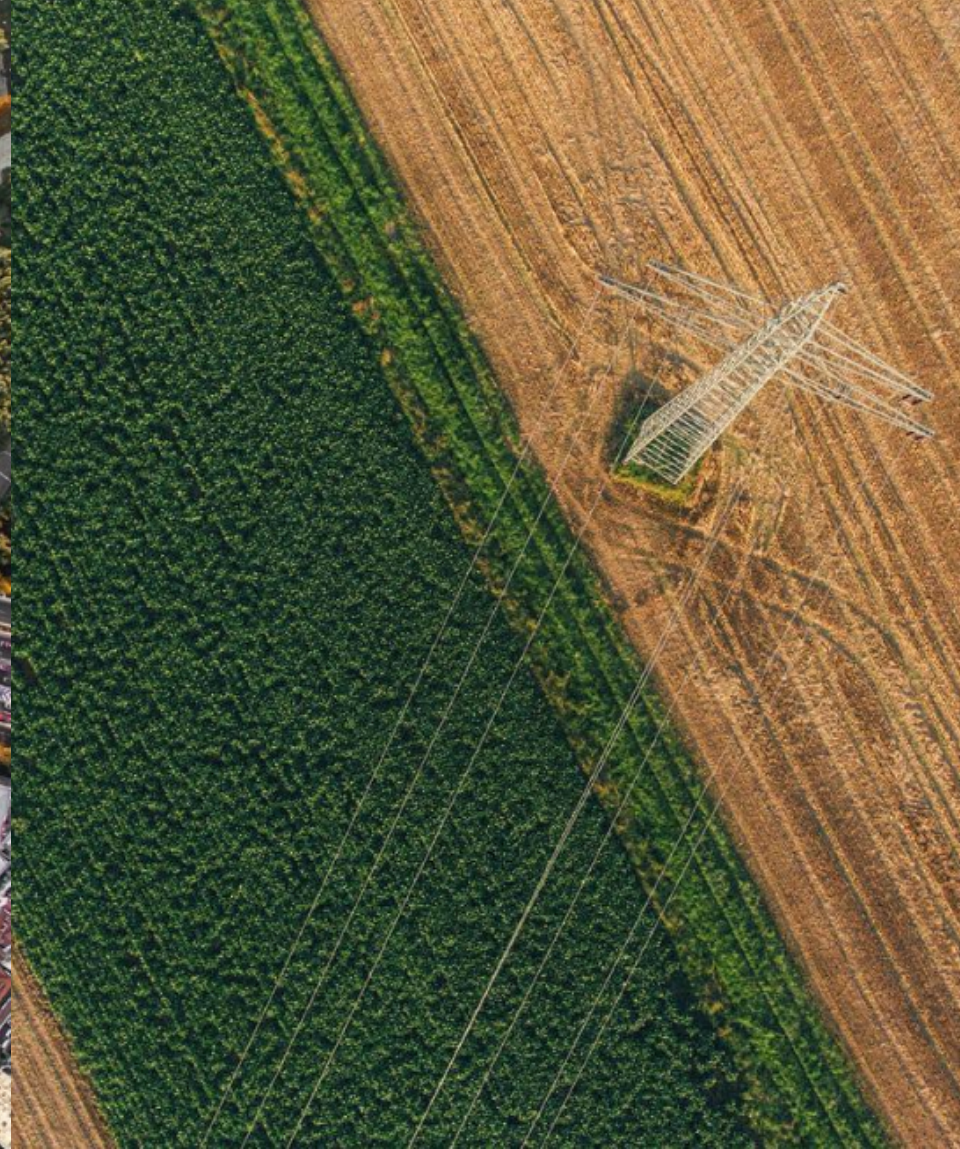


**Scaling up Nature-based solutions
for a clean environment and sustainable development**



Blue Planet

Transformative actions to protect our
freshwaters and oceans



Addressing the water–energy–food interlinkages for sustainability



Thank you
