

Committee of Permanent Representatives
Bureau Meeting
Tuesday 13 October 2020
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Virtual

MEETING SUMMARY

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

1. H.E. Mr. Fernando Coimbra, Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Brazil, chaired the meeting, in which the following participated:

Committee of Permanent Representatives Bureau members:

H.E. Mr. Maarten Brouwer, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of The Netherlands, Vice Chair, Western European and Other States Group
H.E. Ms. Ms. Saqlain Syedah, High Commissioner and Permanent Representative of Pakistan, Vice Chair, Asia-Pacific Group

The Bureau of the UN Environment Assembly, represented in ex officio:

Ms. Guri Sandborg, Deputy Permanent Representative of Norway, representing H.E. Ms. Eline Rognlie, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Norway

The UN Environment Programme Secretariat was represented by:

Ms. Inger Andersen, Executive Director;
Mr. Jorge Laguna-Celis, Secretary of Governing Bodies;
Mr. Ulf Bjornholm, Deputy Secretary of Governing Bodies;
Mr. Stadler Trengrove, Principal Legal Officer

2. The meeting adopted the draft agenda.
3. The Executive Director welcomed the outcome of the first day of the 7th meeting of the Annual Sub-Committee of the CPR and congratulated the Chair of the CPR for his leadership and meeting management of this virtual meeting. The Chair thanked the ED, while emphasizing the need to recognize the limitations of a virtual format.

2. Organization of work.

4. The Chair proposed to start the session of annual subcommittee earlier on Thursday 15 October, to allow for more time to prepare for and consider the draft Chair's summary.
5. Following a short discussion, taking into consideration views from one regional group on the importance of inclusivity and to continue to facilitate participation from capital-based representatives taking into account the different time zones and to possibly reconsider the timing of the Bureau meeting on Friday 16 October as an alternative way to address the timing issues, the Chair withdrew his proposal, and the Bureau decided to maintain the meeting schedule as set out in the structure on the meeting portal.

3. Preparation of a Chair's Summary.

6. The Chair requested the Secretariat to share draft elements for the Chair's summary from the first and second day of the meeting of the annual subcommittee by Tuesday 13 October COB.
7. Bureau Members thanked the Chair and Secretariat for their efforts in the management of the meeting and availed themselves to assist the Chair with regards to preparation of the Chair's summary.

4. Other matters.

8. No other matters were considered.

5. Closing of the Meeting.

9. The meeting closed at 10:40 a.m.