**Provisional** **Agenda**

**1. Opening of the meeting**

**2. Organization of work**

**2.1. Adoption of the rules of procedure**

**2.2. Approval of the program and calendar of sessions of the Meeting**

**3. High- Level Dialogue on the Environmental Dimension of COVID-19 Sustainable Development Recovery in Latin America and the Caribbean**

**4. UNEA 5 Preparations**

**5. High Level Dialogue on Implementation of the Forum´s outcomes**

**6. Ministerial Panels:**

* **Enhancing Implementation of the Forum Outcomes: Towards Strengthened Environmental Governance**
* **The Urgency of Climate Action in Latin America and the Caribbean in the Midst of the COVID-19 Emergency**
* **Circularity, Sustainable Economy and Pollution Prevention; and**
* **The Role of Nature and Ecosystems Restoration in Building a Sustainable Recovery**

**7. Adoption of the Bridgetown Declaration and Communique**

**8. Election of XXIII Bureau**

**9. Closure of the XXII Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean**

**Annex I**

**Calendar of Sessions**

**XXII Forum of Ministers of Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean**

**1-2 February 2021**

**All times are EST (UTC-5)**

**Day One 1 February 2021**

**9.00 am -9.15 am** **Opening of the Meeting**

**National Anthem of Barbados**

* Welcome Remarks by the President of the XXII Forum of Minister of Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean, the Honorable Adrian Forde, Minister of Environment and National Beautification of Barbados

* Welcome Remarks by UNEP ROLAC Director, Leo Heileman and Introduction of the Executive Director of UNEP, Inger Andersen

**9.15 am -9.30 am** **Organization of Work.**

**-** Roll Call of Ministers

- Adoption of Rules of Procedure

- Presentation and Adoption of Agenda

- Statement of the Regional Facilitators of Major Groups and Stakeholders

**9.30 am- 11.00 am High Level Dialogue (1 hr. 30 mins)**

**High- Level Ministerial Session on the Environmental Dimension of COVID-19 Sustainable Development Recovery (1hr 30 min)**

**Introductory Statement**  UNEP Executive Director, Inger Andersen

**Introduction of the Prime Minister** Prime Minister of Barbados, the Honorable Mia Amor Mottley will chair the High- Level Dialogue

**Setting the Context** Prime Minister of Barbados

**Brief Statements of Special guests and Ministers (tbc)**

**Interventions from the floor: Ministers to advise whether they wish to take the floor**

**Close of Dialogue**

**11:10 am – 12:00 UNEA-5 Preparations**

President of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA 5), Minister of Environment and Climate of Norway, Sveinung Rotevatn (TBC)

Message of the Regional Facilitators of Major Groups and Stakeholders

**12. 00 pm –1.00 pm Ministerial Dialogue 1 (1 hr. 30 mins)**

**Ministerial Dialogue: “Enhancing Implementation of the Forum Outcomes: Towards Strengthened Environmental Governance"**

**Statements by**: Members of the Interagency Technical Committee

**Interventions by Ministers**

**Ministers to advise whether they wish to speak**

Ministers #1

Minister #2

Minister #3

Minister #4

**Conclusion and Follow up** President of the Forum

**1.00 pm- 2.00 pm Break - Side Event Regional Coalition on Circular Economy**

**2.00 pm – 4.00 pm** **Adoption of the Decisions of the XXII Meeting of the Forum:**

Report of the work of the Negotiation Committee by Minister of Environment of Peru in her capacity as Rapporteur

1. Pollution;
2. Sustainable Consumption and Production and circular economy – key drivers for post COVID-19 sustainable recovery;
3. Climate Change;
4. Preventing future pandemics and accelerating sustainable recovery in Latin America and the Caribbean through the adoption of regional strategies for the conservation, restoration and sustainable use of biodiversity and ecosystems;
5. Environmental Information Integrated System;
6. The Environmental Dimension of Emergencies and Crises - A Critical Issue to Address to Facilitate Sustainable Development;
7. Promotion of Gender Equality in Environmental Management; and
8. The Environmental Dimension of the Sustainable Development of SIDS

Comments by Ministers on the Suite of Decisions:  **(Ministers to advise on whether they wish to speak on any Decision)**

* Minister from Chile on the Promotion of Gender Equality in Environmental Management
* **Minister # 2**
* **Minister #3**
* **Minister #4**

**4.00 pm -4.20 pm** **Launch of two Reports by the Secretariat of the Cartagena Convention**

**- State of the Marine Habitat Report**

**State of the Pollution Report**

**Close of Day One**

**Day Two** **2 February**

**9.00 am- 10.30 am** **Panel #1 (1hr 30 min)**

**MINISTERIAL PANEL 2: ON THE URGENCY OF CLIMATE ACTION IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN IN THE MIDST OF THE COVID EMERGENCY AND RECOVERY**

**Introduction to Panel and Setting the Context:** Moderator Sr. Andrea Meza Minister for the Environment and Energy, Costa Rica (10 mins)

Elvis Rodas, Secretary of State of Natural Resources, Environment and Minery, Republic of Honduras.

Milagros de Camps, Vice-Minister of International Cooperation of the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Dominican Republic.

Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary, UNFCCC

Yannick Glemarec, CEO of the Green Climate Fund.

Teresa Ribera, Vice-President, Minister for Ecological Transition and the Demographic Challenge, Spain.

Ricardo Mourinho Felix, Vice-president, EIB

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Luis Javier Castro, President of Mesoamerica Fund

Nicole Becker, Founder of Youth for Climate.

Philipp Schonrock, Director, CEPEI.

**Duration of each statement: 6 minutes**

**Interventions from the Floor by Ministers (**25 mins)

(Ministers who wish to speak should indicate)

**Minister #1**

**Minister #2**

**Minister #3**

**Minister #4**

**Close of Panel**  (5 mins)

**10.30 am- 12.00 pm** **Ministerial** **Panel 3 (1hr 30 mins)**

**MINISTERIAL PANEL ON CIRCULARITY, SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION**

**Introduction to Panel and Setting the Context** (Mr. Rolph Payet, Executive Secretary BRS Conventions (TBD) (7 mins)

**Speakers**

Minister from Colombia (TBC) (7 mins

Minister from Peru (TBC) (7 mins)

Minister from Argentina (TBC) (7 mins)

Minister from Jamaica (TBC) (7 mins)

HE Chad Blackman, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Barbados to the WTO (TBC); (7 mins)

IDB (TBC) (7 mins)

Caribbean Youth Environmental Network (Ms. Jhannel Tomlinson) (7 mins)

**Interventions from the Floor** (22 mins)

**Minsters to advise where they wish to speak**

**Minister #1**

**Minister #2**

**Minister #3**

**Minister #4**

**Close of Panel** (5 mins)

**12.00 pm – 1.15 pm** **Break - Side Event: Sustainable Recovery in Latin America and the Caribbean: building a Green Alliance with the European Union**

**2.15 pm Resumption of Meeting**

**2.15 pm – 3.45 pm** **Panel 4 (1 hr 30 mins)**

**High-Level Ministerial Panel on the Role of Nature and Ecosystems Restoration in Building a Sustainable Recovery**

**Introduction of Chair and Setting the Context**: UNEP (5 mins)

**Chair of Panel**: Secretary of the Environment of Mexico (TBC) **Sra. Maria Luisa Albores** (10 mins)

**Speakers:**  Minister of Environment, El Salvador, **Sr. Fernando Lopes** (7 mins)

Minister of Planning and Development and the Environment of Trinidad and Tobago, the **Honorable Camille Robinson-Regis** (TBC) (7 mins)

Minister of Science, Technology and Environment of Cuba,

**Ms. Elba Rosa Perez Montoya** (7 mins) Ms

Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Adversity, **Ms Elizabeth Mrema** (6 mins)

Executive Secretary of the UN Convention to Combat Desertification, **Mr Ibrahim Thiaw** (6 mins)

Chief Executive Officer, Global Environment Facility,

**Carlos Manuel Rodriguez** (6 mins)

Regional Representative of the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) for Latin America and the Caribbean,

**Mr. Julio Berdegue** (6 mins)

Mr. Carlton James, Executive Director of the Partnership Initiative for Sustainable Land Management (PISLM)

**Interventions by other Ministers** (22 mins)

**Ministers to advise whether they wish to speak**

**Minister #1**

**Minister #2**

**Minister #3**

**Minister #4**

**Closing Remarks** Chair of the Panel, Secretaryof the Environment ofMexico, **Ms. Maria Luisa Albores (5 mins)**

**3. 45 pm- 4.15 pm** **Adoption of the Bridgetown Declaration and Covid- 19 Call for Action (30 min)**

**4.15 pm -4.30 pm** **Election of XXIII Bureau (15 min)**

**4.30 pm- 4.35 PM Video on Ceremonial Planting of Tree by the Presidency of the XXII Forum, Barbados**

**4.35 pm- 4. 50 pm** **Closure of Forum (15 min)**

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