

Committee of Permanent Representatives  
Subcommittee Meeting  
Thursday 8 February 2022  
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Conference Room 2, United Nations Office of Nairobi  
Hybrid Meeting

### **MEETING SUMMARY**

#### **Agenda Item 1: Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda.**

1. H.E. Mr. Erasmo Roberto Martínez, Vice Chair, Ambassador of Mexico to the Republic of Kenya and Permanent Representative to the UN Environment, opened the meeting.
2. The meeting [agenda](#) was adopted.

#### **Agenda Item 2: Consultations on draft resolutions and decisions for UNEA-5.2**

3. The appointed co-facilitators in the lead for each cluster provided an update on progress made on the texts of the draft resolutions, including on the organization of work and additional timings for the informal consultations, followed by comments and questions from Member States on the draft resolutions under each cluster. A comprehensive list of all draft resolutions and decisions and related information, including comments, is available on the [UNEA 5.2 resolution paper smart portal](#).
4. Additionally, two recently submitted resolutions were presented for the first time under cluster 5: (i) Draft resolution on the Future of Global Environment Outlook by the secretariat, and (ii) Draft resolution from the Russian Federation on compliance of equitable geographical representation and balance in the secretariat of UNEP.
5. Following the presentation of the draft resolution on the Future of Global Environment Outlook by the secretariat, Member states appreciated the more compact and shorter version of the draft and highlighted the need for Member States to agree on options for GEO, while some delegations requested for clarity on which elements had been taken out in the shortened version and requested to continue negotiations on the original draft proposal of the GEO resolution.
6. Following the presentation on the draft resolution from the Russian Federation on compliance of equitable geographical representation and balance in the secretariat of UNEP, the proponent called for informal consultations in order to start line by line negotiations as soon as possible and informed that three countries had already joined as co-sponsors of the resolution.
7. Member States stressed the need to start line by line negotiations of the draft resolutions and decisions as soon as possible taking into account the large number of resolutions and suggested

- to cut out the preliminary discussions on every draft resolution as the information is available on the papersmart portal.
8. The Secretariat informed that a preliminary unedited [report of the Executive Director on the implementation of resolution 5/2 on the application of the principle of equitable geographical distribution within the recruitment strategy of the United Nations Environment Programme](#), had been made available on the [pre-session working documents website](#).
  9. Following guidance and requests from the co-facilitators and Member States, the secretariat committed to providing a revised schedule with additional timings for the informal discussion on draft resolutions. The schedule is available [here](#). To this end, the Chair urged Member States to allow the co-facilitators to lead the discussions on all draft resolutions under each cluster and stressed that the organization of work under formal negotiations needs to be respected. The Chair further stressed that the discussions/consultation organized by delegations should not replace the co-facilitator-led work but instead feed into cofacilitator-led process. It was also suggested that delegations consider using evening/night hours for additional informal consultations.

**Agenda Item 3: Other matters.**

10. No other matters were raised.

**Agenda Item 4: Closing of the meeting.**

11. The meeting closed at 4:45 pm.