
Meeting of the Bureau of the Ad hoc open-ended working group on a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution
Monday, 26 June 2023
16:00 – 18:00 (EAT; GMT + 3)
Online meeting

OEWG.2/4 Scope, objective, functions, and operating principles Annotated outline

I. Introduction

- Context and mandate from OEWG 1.2, to include the UNEA resolution 5/8, and OEWG 1.1.
- How the present working document fits into document OEWG.2/3 “skeleton outline”

II. Scope and Objective

- Explain name of panel is also means of conveying scope and recall agreement at OEWG1.2 to decide on the name at OEWG3.
- Flag relevance of documents OEWG.1/4 Scope and OEWG.1/7 Report of OEWG1.2, for state of negotiations on objective text
- Recap current state of objective text as of close of OEWG1.2

III. Functions

- Flag relevance of documents OEWG.1/5 Functions and OEWG1/7 Report of OEWG1.2, for state of negotiations on functions, especially proposed text on capacity building
- Reiterate that within OEWG proposal details of functions expected to be brief, highlight connection to how those functions are elaborated in items addressed in OEWG.2/7
- Clarify concept of what needs to be decided by OEWG vs adopted by the panel, and suggest based on the “parking lot” concept from OEWG1.2, explaining that OEWG may wish to consider providing further guidance to facilitate rapid start-up by panel, for example on procedures for different functions (s.a. horizon scanning and/or assessments).

IV. Operating Principles

- Use this section as executive summary of OEWG.2/INF2: background document on operating principles (adapted from what was prepared for webinar and addressing submissions received)
- Based on background document, webinar and submissions, suggest framework for draft operating principles text taking into account text of UNEA resolution 5/8.

List of related INF documents:

OEWG.2/INF.2: Background document on operating principles (adapted from what was prepared for webinar and also taking into account submissions)

