UNECE Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents

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Joint Ad Hoc Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE 16th MEETING OF THE JOINT AD HOC EXPERT GROUP ON WATER AND INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

To be held on 18 May 2017 starting at 10 a.m. and closing at 3 p.m. at the National Mining University in Dnipro, Ukraine

The meeting will be held in English.



1. Opening of the meeting

- Opening of the meeting by Mr. Gerhard Winkelmann-Oei (Germany) and Mr. Peter Kovacs (Hungary), co-Chairs of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents (JEG)

2. Evaluation of the project on tailings safety in Ukraine

- Mr. Winkelmann-Oei will present the conclusions from the final workshop of the project on tailings safety in Ukraine (Dnipro, Ukraine, 16-17 May 2017)
- JEG members will be invited to discuss the workshop conclusions and JEG's possible role in supporting their implementation

3. Possible follow-up projects on tailings safety in the UNECE region

- Mr. Winkelmann-Oei will provide further information regarding possible follow-up projects on tailings safety, among others in Georgia, Romania and Serbia
- JEG members will be invited to provide comments and discuss their possible involvement

4. National database on TMFs in JEG countries

- JEG members from Kyrgyzstan and Serbia will be invited to report on their progress made with preparing a list of tailings management facilities in their countries
- Other JEG members, e.g. from Belarus, will be invited to report back on the existence of national databases on tailings facilities
- Based on the updates provided, JEG members will be invited to agree on the next steps

5. Development of guidance on fire water retention in 2017–2018

- Mr. Winkelmann-Oei, supported by the secretariat, will provide an update on the work done to date regarding the development of guidance on fire-water retention, including an overview of the experts, planned meetings in 2017 and next steps
- JEG members may wish to discuss the planning, draft guidance and their involvement

6. Transboundary exercises in 2017-2018

- Mr. Winkelmann-Oei, supported by the secretariat, will provide an update on the preparations for the German-Polish exercise (4 September 2017), including the back-to-back international workshop (5 September 2017) in Slubice, Poland
- Mr. Kovacs will provide an update on the preparations for the transboundary exercise on the Danube River, led by Hungary and planned for 2018

7. Further activities by JEG and next meeting date

- JEG members may wish to discuss further activities to be supported, including in the light of the Group's 20 anniversary in 2018
- JEG members may wish to discuss and agree on the date and venue of the next JEG meeting

8. Any other business

- Participants may wish to discuss further issues, including the holding of the next JEG meeting and possible future projects in South-Eastern Europe or Central Asia with JEG support

9. Closing of the meeting

- Co-Chairs will summarize the decisions taken and close the meeting at 1 pm