



Progress report Working Group on Effects 32nd Session

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Outline

Progress in 2013 and outcome of the WGE meeting in 2013:

- a) Recent reports and results
- b) The ICP review
- c) Some additional comments

WGE meeting was held 12-13 September back to back with EMEP SB. Participation of 33 parties.

Successful joint session between EMEP and WGE



Key reports and outcomes 2013

The Guidance document on health and environmental improvements 2020 relative to 2000 is on the agenda in its final version with updated emissions according to the outcome of the Gothenburg Protocol. It will be presented by Jean-Paul Hettelingh, CCE.

A report on Benefits of air pollution control for biodiversity and ecosystem services will be presented by Harry Harmens, ICP Vegetation. The report is a joint activity by several ICPs and parties.

The 200/2011 survey of heavy metals and nitrogen in mosses, A brief presentation will be given by Harry Harmens, ICP Vegetation.

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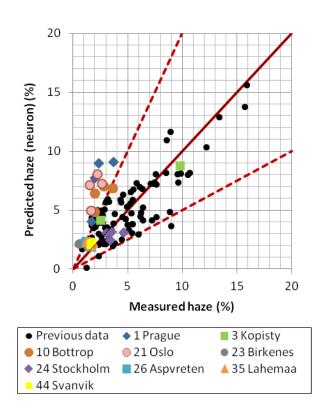


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(ECE.EB.AIR/106/Add.1, Decision 2010/2),





Key reports and outcomes

Health effects

The recent reviews of health effects from air pollution in support of EU policies were presented and in view of these reports the meeting stressed the importance of improved monitoring of particulates in the EECCA countries.

The meeting also encouraged a wider dissemination of the findings in the EU reports including a translation of the findings to other languages (including Russian). It also encouraged Parties to strengthen scientific and technical cooperation with EECCA countries.



ICP review

The chair of the ICP review Mr Alan Jenkins CEH gave a presentation of a draft version of the review report. Parties and ICP centres/chairs were then given the opportunity to comment the report.

The report was in general welcomed both of Parties and ICPs.

Some comments on the draft report (were taken into account in the final version)

Focus even more on integration giving priority to thematic and integrated reports

Consider the risks organisational changes may cause on long-term national funding

The needs for increasing the contributions from Parties to the trust fund.

Several details in the description of the ICP activities needed to be updated

Written comments, which should have been attached to the final report are available as informal documents.



Other issues

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- Process underway to transfer organisation of moss surveys from UK (ICP Vegetation) to Russian Federation.
- Parties are continuing to give interesting and valuable presentations of their national activities at the WGE meetings. I encourage countries to continue to do so in the future
- The back-to-back meetings of WGE and EME have really been valuable.



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