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**Revised mandates of task forces and centres under the Convention****Revised mandates for the task forces under the Steering Body  
to the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and  
Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants  
in Europe: draft decisions of the Executive Body****Note by the secretariat***Summary*

At its thirty-eighth session (Geneva, 10–14 December 2018), the Executive Body took note of the draft revised mandates for the task forces under the Steering Body to the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (as contained in document ECE/EB.AIR/2018/5) and adopted them provisionally. It further requested the secretariat to finalize them and submit draft decisions for their formal adoption at its next session (ECE/EB.AIR/142, para. 55).

The present document contains draft decisions on the adoption of revised mandates for the Task Force on Emission Inventories and Projections, the Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling, the Task Force on Measurements and Modelling and the Task Force on Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution.

The Executive Body is invited to consider and adopt the draft decisions.



## **Revised mandates for the task forces under the Steering Body to the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe**

### **A. Revised mandate of the Task Force on Emission Inventories and Projections**

*The Executive Body,*

*Recalling* its decision on the establishment of the Task Force on Emission Inventories (ECE/EB.AIR/29, para. 34 (d)),

*Acknowledging* the recent achievements of the Task Force on Emission Inventories and Projections, which include:

(a) Major revisions of the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (EMEP)/European Environment Agency Air Pollutant Emission Inventory Guidebook (EMEP/European Environment Agency Guidebook)<sup>1</sup> used for the estimation and reporting of national emissions (published in 2016);

(b) Holding regular meetings of the Task Force expert network to harmonize emission factors, establish methodologies for the evaluation of emission data and projections and identify problems related to emissions reporting; supporting initiatives to continually improve the quality of emission inventory data, such as the annual emission inventory review process;

(c) Improving cooperation and collaborative working with stakeholder groups within the Convention, to ensure that the outputs from the Task Force expert network continue to better meet users' needs;

(d) Supporting the implementation of the reporting requirements specified in the Convention's emission reporting guidelines, including providing expert guidance to the Executive Body and the Implementation Committee on the adjustment application and review procedures established under the 2012 amended Protocol to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone (Gothenburg Protocol).

*Recognizing* the need to update the mandate of the Task Force to ensure its consistency with the provisions of the amended Protocols to the Convention, as well as its strategic priorities as set out in the following documents:

(a) The long-term strategy for the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution for 2020–2030 and beyond (decision 2018/5, annex);

(b) The 2016 scientific assessment of the Convention;<sup>2</sup>

(c) The policy response to the 2016 scientific assessment of the Convention (ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2017/3 and Corr.1 and ECE/EB.AIR/2017/4).

*Welcoming* the ongoing leadership of the Task Force by Finland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Union,

1. *Adopts* the revised mandate of the Task Force as contained in the annex to the present decision, which includes the key objectives and functions of the Task Force to be carried out on an ongoing basis, whereas additional activities and specific tasks and

<sup>1</sup> See <https://www.eea.europa.eu/publications/emep-eea-guidebook-2016>

<sup>2</sup> See Rob Maas and Peringe Grennfelt, eds., *Towards Cleaner Air: Scientific Assessment Report 2016* (Oslo, 2016) and United States Environmental Protection Agency and Environment and Climate Change Canada, *Towards Cleaner Air: Scientific Assessment Report 2016 – North America* (2016).

associated deliverables to be carried out in a shorter time frame will be included in the biennial workplans for the implementation of the Convention;

2. *Decides that:*

(a) The lead country or countries have the responsibility for leading and coordinating the ongoing work and tasks of the Task Force, for organizing its meetings, for communicating with participating experts, for maintaining an up-to-date web page that includes information on the activities, work, meetings and participants of the Task Force, and for other organizational arrangements in accordance with the biennial workplan. Chairs of the Task Force are appointed by the lead country or countries to carry out these tasks;

(b) The Task Force is responsible for carrying out the work assigned to it in the biennial workplans approved by the Executive Body, and reporting thereon, as well as for keeping other relevant bodies apprised of its work;

(c) The Task Force will be comprised of subject matter experts from the Parties to the Convention, acting in their personal capacity;

(d) Meetings will be open to representatives of intergovernmental or accredited non-governmental organizations, researchers, industry associations and other relevant organizations. Co-Chairs are encouraged to invite individuals with expertise relevant to the work of the Task Force. Meeting reports will reflect the views of all participants to the extent practicable;

(e) In the event that a lead country needs to discontinue its leadership role, it is encouraged to notify the secretariat, Co-Chairs and other lead countries as soon as possible, but preferably no later than one year prior to the time it will need to cease its leadership activities. In that event, the withdrawing lead country will make every effort to ensure a smooth transition to the next leadership model, by ensuring that all data and any other information required for the operations of the Task Force are provided to the appropriate country or person(s).

## **Annex**

### **Revised mandate of the Task Force on Emission Inventories and Projections**

1. The Task Force on Emission Inventories and Projections will continue to assist EMEP by providing sound scientific support to the Convention and its Parties concerning the reporting of air pollutant emissions and projections data.

2. The Task Force will report on its activities and deliverables to the Steering Body to EMEP.

3. The functions of the Task Force are to:

(a) Develop further the EMEP/European Environment Agency Guidebook methodologies by supporting work that provides updated information from literature and by liaising with other projects; ensure regular updating of the maintenance and improvement plan for the EMEP/European Environment Agency Guidebook, with a view to publishing major updates every three to four years;

(b) Maintain and coordinate the activities of an expert network on emissions inventories and projections, to facilitate technical discussions between experts on a range of different topics related to air pollutant emissions;

(c) Hold regular meetings of the Task Force and its expert panels, to provide a technical forum for the expert network to share best practice and exchange information on national and international activities on emission inventories and projections. This includes initiatives to: harmonize emission factors; establish methodologies for the evaluation of emission data and projections; and identify problems related to emissions reporting and recommended solutions;

(d) Support Parties in implementing the reporting requirements of the Convention's emission reporting guidelines. This includes supporting: initiatives to improve the quality of emission inventory data, such as the annual emission inventory review

process; and the adjustment application and review procedures established under the amended Gothenburg Protocol through the provision of expert guidance;

(e) Undertake specific activities and initiatives within the emissions inventory technical area, including:

(i) Updating the guidance for adjustments under the Gothenburg Protocol, if required, with comments provided by Parties and as instructed by the Executive Body;

(ii) Reviewing the need to update the methods and procedures for emission inventory reviews and ensuring continued alignment with activities under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

(f) Support the Convention's capacity-building activities in countries in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia, as resources allow. This includes holding specific meetings with experts from these regions at meetings of the Task Force and contributing to in-country capacity-building and training activities;

(g) Cooperate closely with other partners within the Convention, in particular, the EMEP centres and task forces, the Task Force on Reactive Nitrogen and the Task Force on Techno-economic Issues through, among other things, joint workshops and contributions to joint activities;

(h) Collaborate with external partners, – such as the Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme, the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Minamata Convention on Mercury – on specific technical issues, as necessary;

(i) Carry out other tasks assigned to it by the EMEP Steering Body and the Executive Body.

## **B. Revised mandate of the Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling**

*The Executive Body,*

*Recalling* its decision at its fourth session (Geneva, 11–14 November 1986), whereby it established the Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling (ECE/EB.AIR/10, annex III, para. 5 (2)),

*Acknowledging* the recent achievements of the Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling, which include:

(a) Analysis of the initial impact of the 2012 amended Gothenburg Protocol, which sets new emission ceilings objectives with respect to air pollutants, including fine particulate matter;

(b) Demonstration of the benefits of developing synergies between environmental policies, in particular climate and air pollution policies;

(c) Assessment of the impact of short-lived climate pollutants on air pollution inside and outside the ECE region and conception and evaluation of mitigation options to target those pollutants;

(d) Analysis of the linkages between global, regional and local air pollution patterns and levels in the ECE region, and evaluation of potential synergies between control measures that could be implemented at various geographical scales.

*Recognizing* the need to update the mandate of the Task Force to ensure its consistency with the provisions of the amended Protocols to the Convention, as well as its strategic priorities as set out in the following documents:

(a) The long-term strategy for the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution for 2020–2030 and beyond (decision 2018/5, annex);

(b) The 2016 scientific assessment of the Convention;<sup>3</sup>

(c) The policy response to the 2016 scientific assessment of the Convention (ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2017/3 and Corr.1 and ECE/EB.AIR/2017/4).

*Welcoming* the ongoing leadership of the Task Force by the Netherlands and Sweden,

1. *Adopts* the revised mandate of the Task Force as contained in the annex to the present decision, which includes the key objectives and functions of the Task Force to be carried out on an ongoing basis, whereas additional activities and specific tasks and associated deliverables to be carried out in a shorter time frame will be included in the biennial workplans for the implementation of the Convention;

2. *Decides* that:

(a) The lead country or countries have the responsibility for leading and coordinating the ongoing work and tasks of the Task Force, for organizing its meetings, for communicating with participating experts, for maintaining an up-to-date web page that includes information on the activities, work, meetings and participants of the Task Force, and for other organizational arrangements in accordance with the biennial workplan. Chairs of the Task Force are appointed by the lead country or countries to carry out these tasks;

(b) The Task Force is responsible for carrying out the work assigned to it in the biennial workplans approved by the Executive Body, and reporting thereon, as well as for keeping other relevant bodies apprised of its work;

(c) The Task Force will be comprised of subject matter experts from the Parties to the Convention, acting in their personal capacity;

(d) Meetings will be open to representatives of intergovernmental or accredited non-governmental organizations, researchers, industry associations and other relevant organizations. Co-Chairs are encouraged to invite individuals with expertise relevant to the work of the Task Force. Meeting reports will reflect the views of all participants to the extent practicable;

(e) In the event that a lead country needs to discontinue its leadership role, it is encouraged to notify the secretariat, Co-Chairs and other lead countries as soon as possible, but preferably no later than one year prior to the time it will need to cease its leadership activities. In that event, the withdrawing lead country will make every effort to ensure a smooth transition to the next leadership model, by ensuring that all data and any other information required for the operations of the Task Force are provided to the appropriate country or person(s).

## **Annex**

### **Revised mandate of the Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling**

1. The Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling will continue to guide the work of the Centre for Integrated Assessment Modelling, review its modelling results and exchange modelling experiences of the Parties. The Centre and the Task Force will continue to integrate information from the other scientific bodies under EMEP and the Working Group on Effects and assess future scenarios and the cost-effectiveness of abatement strategies, as requested by the Working Group on Strategies and Review. This includes multiscale multi-objective assessment modelling aimed at cost-effective policy strategies that combine international, national and local actions, as well as the links between air quality policy and other policy processes, such as the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

<sup>3</sup> *ibid.*

2. The Task Force will report on its activities and deliverables to the Steering Body to EMEP, the Working Group on Effects, the Working Group on Strategies and Review and, as needed, to the Executive Body.
3. The functions of the Task Force are to:
  - (a) Guide the technical work of the Centre for Integrated Assessment Modelling; review the scientific quality of the Greenhouse Gas and Air Pollution Interactions and Synergies (GAINS) model; and assess future scenarios and the cost-effectiveness of abatement strategies upon request by the EMEP Steering Body or the Executive Body;
  - (b) Integrate information from the other scientific bodies under EMEP and the Working Group on Effects into the GAINS model and organize ex post analyses by these scientific bodies, as well as extend the scientific network to include data and scenario results of climate, energy, transport and agricultural models and feed data into economic models;
  - (c) Exchange integrated assessment modelling experiences between the Parties and organize bilateral consultations on the data used in the GAINS model; reach out to exchange experiences with countries outside the Convention area and exchange experiences with local air quality managers;
  - (d) Assist Parties seeking advice on developing scenarios and integrated assessment modelling to find relevant experts from other Parties;
  - (e) Provide expertise in support of the Parties in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia, and develop specific studies for these countries that require considerable resources to consolidate appropriate input data for integrated assessment modelling;
  - (f) Closely collaborate with:
    - (i) The Task Force on Emission Inventories and Projections and the Centre on Emission Inventories and Projections to improve emission estimates and projections;
    - (ii) The Meteorological Synthesizing Centre-West and the Task Force on Measurements and Modelling to use the latest version of the EMEP model for source-receptor relationships and the development of a methodology to assess local exposure;
    - (iii) The Joint Task Force on the Health Aspects of Air Pollution and the International Cooperative Programme on Modelling and Mapping of Critical Levels and Loads and Air Pollution Effects, Risks and Trends to use the latest findings on exposure response relationships and impacts on biodiversity;
    - (iv) The Task Force on Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution to assess cost-effective abatement strategies at the hemispheric scale.
  - (g) Exchange information with the Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme, the Climate and Clean Air Coalition to Reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, the United Nations Environment Programme, the World Health Organization and the World Bank Group to encourage cost-effective strategies for health and ecosystems at a global scale;
  - (h) Carry out other tasks assigned to it by the EMEP Steering Body and the Executive Body.

### **C. Revised mandate of the Task Force on Measurements and Modelling**

*The Executive Body,*

*Recalling* its decision 1999/2 concerning the structure and organization of work, whereby it established the Task Force on Measurements and Modelling (ECE/EB.AIR/68, annex III),

*Acknowledging* the support provided by the Task Force on Measurements and Modelling to Parties to the Convention, among other things, through the following actions:

- (a) Continuously discussing and fostering the development of an observational network and modelling tools essential for the verification of the impact of the actions taken on pollutants emission reduction;
- (b) Actively participating in the discussions on and the elaboration, revisions and implementation of the EMEP monitoring strategy in cooperation with the Chemical Coordinating Centre;
- (c) Contributing to the improvement of the scientific understanding of the processes that control European air pollution levels through regular intensive measurement campaigns;
- (d) Coordinating the benchmarking of EMEP modelling tools by means of model comparison projects and focused case studies, in particular by liaising with the Meteorological Synthesizing Centre-East and the Meteorological Synthesizing Centre-West;
- (e) Supporting the sharing, use and evaluation of EMEP models as tools for the assessment of air pollution transport and deposition at the national and regional levels by the Parties;
- (f) Performing and publishing assessment reports and trend analyses of air pollution concentrations and deposition in the EMEP domain over the past 40 years.

*Recognizing* the need to update the mandate of the Task Force to ensure its consistency with the provisions of the amended Protocols to the Convention, as well as its strategic priorities as set out in the following documents:

- (a) The long-term strategy for the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution for 2020–2030 and beyond (decision 2018/5, annex);
- (b) The 2016 scientific assessment of the Convention;<sup>4</sup>
- (c) The policy response to the 2016 scientific assessment of the Convention (ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2017/3 and Corr.1 and ECE/EB.AIR/2017/4).

*Welcoming* the ongoing leadership of the Task Force by France and the World Meteorological Organization,

1. *Adopts* the revised mandate of the Task Force as contained in the annex to the present decision, which includes the key objectives and functions of the Task Force to be carried out on an ongoing basis, whereas additional activities and specific tasks and associated deliverables to be carried out in a shorter time frame will be included in the biennial workplans for the implementation of the Convention;

2. *Decides* that:

- (a) The lead country or countries have the responsibility for leading and coordinating the ongoing work and tasks of the Task Force, for organizing its meetings, for communicating with participating experts, for maintaining an up-to-date web page that includes information on the activities, work, meetings and participants of the Task Force, and for other organizational arrangements in accordance with the biennial workplan. Chairs of the Task Force are appointed by the lead country or countries to carry out these responsibilities;
- (b) The Task Force is responsible for carrying out the work assigned to it in the biennial workplans approved by the Executive Body, and reporting thereon, as well as for keeping other relevant bodies apprised of its work;
- (c) The Task Force will be comprised of subject matter experts from the Parties to the Convention, acting in their personal capacity;
- (d) Meetings will be open to representatives of intergovernmental or accredited non-governmental organizations, researchers, industry associations and other relevant organizations. Co-Chairs are encouraged to invite individuals with expertise relevant to the

<sup>4</sup> Ibid.

work of the Task Force. Meeting reports will reflect the views of all participants to the extent practicable;

(e) In the event that a lead country needs to discontinue its leadership role, it is encouraged to notify the secretariat, Co-Chairs and other lead countries as soon as possible, but preferably no later than one year prior to the time it will need to cease its leadership activities. In that event, the withdrawing lead country will make every effort to ensure a smooth transition to the next leadership model, by ensuring that all data and any other information required for the operations of the Task Force are provided to the appropriate country or person(s).

## **Annex**

### **Revised mandate of the Task Force on Measurements and Modelling**

1. The Task Force on Measurements and Modelling, in view of up-to-date scientific knowledge and technical developments within the Parties to the Convention and worldwide, will continue to examine the needs and requirements of the Parties to the Convention with the aim of supporting the improvement of tools and good practices for monitoring the state of air pollution and modelling past and future changes of concentrations of air pollutants, transboundary fluxes and deposition within the EMEP region.

2. The Task Force will report on its activities and deliverables to the Steering Body to EMEP.

3. The functions of the Task Force are to:

(a) Provide a forum for the Parties to share knowledge, experiences, views and suggestions and develop recommendations on issues related to air quality, efficiency and sufficiency of EMEP measurements and modelling;

(b) Provide an opportunity for national experts and EMEP centres to discuss performance of measurements and models (EMEP models and those developed by Parties), and their improvement, bearing in mind the scope and range of their application (such as for national assessments of air quality, assessment of transboundary fluxes and their influence on air quality and trend analyses);

(c) Plan and conduct its technical work towards implementation of the EMEP Monitoring Strategy, including provision of support to Parties' national experts, taking into consideration the challenges encountered at the national level, best practices available and recommendations provided by the EMEP Manual for Sampling and Chemical Analysis;<sup>5</sup>

(d) Interpret and assess observations and modelling results related to air pollution levels, assess its temporal and spatial trends and contribute to the evaluation of the effectiveness of the implementation of the Convention and its Protocols;

(e) Ensure the coordinated efforts of Parties in the organization and conduct of the intensive measurement periods and focused case studies, following data processing, model interpretation and results dissemination;

(f) Provide support for and facilitate involvement of Parties in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia, for example, with regard to setting up monitoring stations and national programmes, case studies, use of models and promoting tools developed under EMEP during workshops and other dedicated meetings;

(g) Collaborate with EMEP centres and task forces and the Working Group on Effects to evaluate emission inventories, improve modelling tools to serve the integrated modelling and effects assessment and ensure consistency between regional and hemispheric scale analyses;

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<sup>5</sup> <https://projects.nilu.no/ccc/manual/index.html>.

(h) Strengthen linkages with European Union scientific programmes and infrastructures (for example, the Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service and the European Research Infrastructure for the observation of Aerosol, Clouds and Trace Gases) with a focus on the development of common tools and regional assessments; develop joint activities with European and international organizations and conventions (for example, the European Environment Agency, the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission and the World Meteorological Organization) to ensure synergies between regional and global scales, strengthening national activities;

(i) Carry out other tasks assigned to it by the EMEP Steering Body and the Executive Body.

## **D. Revised mandate of the Task Force on Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution**

*The Executive Body,*

*Recalling* its decision 2004/4 on the establishment of the Task Force on the Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution and its decision 2010/1 on the revised mandate for the Task Force on the Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution,

*Acknowledging* key accomplishments of the Task Force on the Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution that include:

(a) Analysis of the responses, in terms of ozone and particulate matter concentrations, to a large set of emission reduction scenarios applied in large regions of the Northern hemisphere;

(b) Fostering the development of global models and their evaluation against a set of observations gathered from several networks implemented in the world and building up partnership with those networks;

(c) Assessment of synergies between regional and global modelling for integrated assessment modelling and policy support purposes;

(d) Assessment of the impact of short-lived climate pollutants on air pollution inside and outside the ECE region and conception and evaluation of mitigation options to target those pollutants.

*Recognizing* the need to update the mandate of the Task Force on the Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution to ensure its consistency with the provisions of the amended Protocols to the Convention, as well as its strategic priorities as set out in the following documents:

(a) The long-term strategy for the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution for 2020–2030 and beyond (decision 2018/5, annex);

(b) The 2016 scientific assessment of the Convention;<sup>6</sup>

(c) The policy response to the 2016 scientific assessment of the Convention (ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2017/3 and Corr.1 and ECE/EB.AIR/2017/4).

*Welcoming* the ongoing leadership of the Task Force by Canada and the United States of America,

1. *Adopts* the revised mandate of the Task Force as contained in the annex to the present decision, which includes the key objectives and functions of the Task Force to be carried out on an ongoing basis, whereas additional activities and specific tasks and associated deliverables to be carried out in a shorter time frame will be included in the biennial workplans for the implementation of the Convention;

2. *Decides* that:

<sup>6</sup> See footnote 2.

(a) The lead country or countries have the responsibility for leading and coordinating the ongoing work and tasks of the Task Force, for organizing its meetings, for communicating with participating experts, for maintaining an up-to-date web page that includes information on the activities, work, meetings and participants of the Task Force, and for other organizational arrangements in accordance with the biennial workplan. Chairs of the Task Force are appointed by the lead country or countries to carry out these responsibilities;

(b) The Task Force is responsible for carrying out the work assigned to it in the biennial workplans approved by the Executive Body, and reporting thereon, as well as for keeping other relevant bodies apprised of its work;

(c) The Task Force will be comprised of subject matter experts from the Parties to the Convention, acting in their personal capacity;

(d) Meetings will be open to representatives of intergovernmental or accredited non-governmental organizations, researchers, industry associations and other relevant organizations. Co-Chairs are encouraged to invite individuals with expertise relevant to the work of the Task Force. Meeting reports will reflect the views of all participants to the extent practicable;

(e) In the event that a lead country needs to discontinue its leadership role, it is encouraged to notify the secretariat, Co-Chairs and other lead countries as soon as possible, but preferably no later than one year prior to the time it will need to cease its leadership activities. In that event, the withdrawing lead country will make every effort to ensure a smooth transition to the next leadership model, by ensuring that all data and any other information required for the operations of the Task Force are provided to the appropriate country or person(s).

## **Annex**

### **Revised mandate for the Task Force on Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution**

1. The Task Force on Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution will continue to examine the transport of air pollution across the Northern hemisphere and its regional impacts, considering air quality, health, ecosystem and near-term climate effects.

2. The Task Force will report on its activities and deliverables to the Steering Body to EMEP.

3. The functions of the Task Force are to:

(a) Plan and conduct the technical work necessary to develop a fuller understanding of:

(i) The impact of air pollutant emissions from the Parties on human health, ecosystems and climate change outside the ECE (i.e. extraregional impacts);

(ii) The impact of air pollutant emissions sources outside the ECE on the achievement of the environmental objectives of the Convention and its Protocols (i.e. extraregional influences);

(iii) The impacts of emission-reduction opportunities in the ECE region on regional and intercontinental transport of air pollution and the associated air quality, health, ecosystem and near-term climate effects of such impacts and the impacts of complementary measures that might be taken in other regions where mitigation may prove cost-effective.

(b) Conduct the work specified in paragraph 3 (a) above as it pertains to all of the pollutants and precursors addressed by the Convention, including persistent organic pollutants and mercury, with priority given to tropospheric ozone and aerosols;

(c) Conduct the technical work identified above through coordination, cooperation and collaboration with:

- (i) Other technical bodies under the Convention, including the Task Force on Measurements and Modelling, the Task Force on Emission Inventories and Projections, the Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling, the Task Force on Techno-economic Issues and the international cooperative programmes of the Working Group on Effects;
  - (ii) Related international organizations and scientific efforts, including the Arctic Council, the Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme, the United Nations Environment Programme, the World Meteorological Organization, the World Health Organization, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the Climate and Clean Air Coalition to Reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants, the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, the Minamata Convention on Mercury and other regional agreements and networks.
  - (d) Facilitate the dissemination of knowledge and methodologies developed within the Convention to other regions of the world, through cooperation with bodies inside and outside the Convention, to help build a common understanding of shared air pollution problems and improve technical capacity to evaluate emission reduction opportunities;
  - (e) Carry out other tasks assigned to it by the EMEP Steering Body and the Executive Body.
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