

Preparations for the Fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Water and Health, Belgrade from 19th to 21st November 2019

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Protocol on Water and Health



Host country agreement

- * **The Host Country agreement is in its final stage**
- * The Government of the Republic of Serbia approved the agreement and accredited H.E. Ambassador Zlatanovic, in Serbian Mission in Geneva, to sign the agreement – thus it will be a letter between UNECE and Ambassador

Logistics

The Government will provide transportation (between airport and hotel and hotel and meeting facilities)

The Government will not create a dedicated web site, but it will use official web sites of Ministry of Health and Ministry of Environment, for promotions and basic information with separate link to UNECE web site

Budget

- * The MoH Serbia allocated funds in the budget for payment a sum of 114,700 USD, which will be ready to be deposited in the United Nations Technical Cooperation Trust Fund “Protocol on Water and Health”, established further to decision I/5 by the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Water and Health
- * The MoH Serbia allocated funds in the budget for other costs such as lunches, local transport etc.

Venue

- * The MoH has booked main room for approx. 250 participants in the Palace of Serbia.
- * The Palace of Serbia is a governmental building located in the Novi Beograd municipality of Belgrade, Serbia.
- * The building is located in the neighborhood of Ušće, and belongs to the "Block 13" in the New Belgrade's block numeration system. It is located between two boulevards named after the scientist, of Mihajlo Pupin on the south, and of Nikola Tesla, on the north. On the west and east it is surrounded by the Ušće park.

Palace of Serbia



Main Room



Advantages of Palace of Serbia

- * The building is close to several hotels and airport Nikola Tesla.
- * It is a very secure building and all participants will avoid usual urban traffic .
- * The building has all necessary rooms for events and professional personnel, as well as restaurant.

Next steps

- * Establishment of an inter-institutional committee for the organization which will consist of representatives of MoH, MFA, MoE
- * Preparation of tender documents for the selection of the agency which will be engaged in servicing the meeting

Tasks of Inter-institutional committee

- * Creating terms of reference (ToR) with the tasks for all line ministries (example: all tasks in relations to privileges and immunities will be organized with the MFA)
- * Identification of persons who will act as Liaison officer and other personnel that Government should provide
- * Designing social events and determination of VIP invitees.

Inter-institutional committee

- * Inter-institutional committee will be in close communication with UNECE and WHO Joint Secretariat, in order to agree before taking any action.*



Thank you