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Information Paper 4

Considerations for updating the reporting format on the implementation of the UNECE Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development

Item 8 of the provisional agenda:

Preparations for the next post-2019 mandatory reporting cycle under the Strategy: updating the format for reporting

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1. The Steering Committee will be invited to consider the reporting timeline¹, including for the fifth cycle of reporting to be carried out at the end of the next implementation phase (2020-2024).
2. An outline of proposed new indicators or changes to the existing indicators to be included in the updated reporting format will be presented to the Steering Committee for discussion (in a separate presentation of Dr. Aravella Zachariou, Chair of the UNECE Steering Committee on ESD).
3. In addition, countries may wish to express ideas about the outline of the evaluation report that will be prepared on the basis of the national implementation reports (NIRs).
4. The timeline for reporting for the next implementation phase running from 2020 to 2024 is proposed below.
5. The Committee will be invited to discuss the proposed timeline and duration of the next implementation phase in view of agreeing to set the final dates following the discussion, and taking into consideration the duration of the intermediary phases (if any) of the ten-year follow-up framework to the Global Action Programme on Education for Sustainable Development, lasting from 2015 to 2019, entitled “Education for Sustainable Development: Towards achieving the SDGs (ESD for 2030), to be presented by UNESCO under agenda item 4.

Proposed timeline for reporting

The proposed timeline for the preparation and submission of national implementation reports set out below aims to facilitate the reporting exercise at the national level. Member States will be asked to respect the deadline of 1 October 2023 to ensure sufficient time for the preparation of the report on progress in implementation during the fifth phase of implementation (2020-2024) of the Strategy at the regional level, and the reflection of any review of implementation in the discussions on education for sustainable development within the framework of the Steering Committee.

<i>National preparation process</i>	<i>Time required</i>	<i>Tentative timing</i>
First draft of the report	1 month	June 2023
Multi-stakeholder consultation on the draft	1–2 months	July-August 2023
Final report preparation (including translation, where required)	1 month	September 2023
Deadline for submission of national implementation reports to ECE		1 October 2023

¹ To be finalised depending on the inputs from the Committee members and partners