

Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on
Access to Information, Public Participation
in Decision-making and Access to Justice
in Environmental Matters

Task Force on Access to Information

Fourth meeting

Geneva, 8-10 December 2015

Provisional list of speakers for the fourth meeting

(as updated 10 December 2015)

To be held in Salle XI, Palais des Nations, Geneva
starting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 8 December 2015

I. Provisional agenda

1. Opening and adoption of the agenda.

Timing: Tuesday, 8 December, 10–10.10 a.m.

Keynote Speaker:

- *Mr. Baskut Tuncak, Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes*

2. Environmental information: improving public access

- (a) Scope of environmental information and its provision by different public authorities

Timing: Tuesday, 8 December, 10.10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Speakers:

- *Mr. Diarmuid Goulding, Office of the Commission for Environmental Information, Ireland*
- *Mr. Marko Van der Voort, the Netherlands*
- *Ms. Piera Laloux, European Investment Bank*
- *Ms. Mara Silina, European ECO Forum*

(b) Quality of environmental information

Timing: Tuesday, 8 December, 3–4 p.m.

Speakers:

- *Mr. Nick Teall, United Kingdom*
- *Ms. Tamara Malkova, NGO “Green Dossier”*

(c) Associated costs

Timing: Tuesday, 8 December, 4–4.30 p.m.

Speakers:

- *Mr. Adrian Panciuc, Republic of Moldova*

3. The application of certain restrictions on access to environmental information in accordance with the Convention’s provisions

(a) Proceedings of public authorities, international relations, national defence, public security and the course of justice

Timing: Tuesday, 8 December, 4.30 – 6 p.m.

Speakers:

- *Ms. Enkelejda Malaj, Albania*
- *Ms. Elena Dumitru, Romania*
- *Mr. Adam Foldes, Transparency International*

Contributors:

- *Mr. Søren Stig Andersen, Denmark*
- *Mr. Csaba Kiss, Justice and Environment network*

(b) Material in the course of completion or internal communication

Timing: Wednesday, 9 December, 10–11 a.m.

Speakers:

- *Ms. Salome Sidler, Switzerland*

- (c) Commercial and industrial information, intellectual property rights and interests of a third party

Timing: Wednesday, 9 December, 11 a.m. –12.30 p.m.

Speaker:

- *Mr. Thomas Schomerus, Leuphana University, Germany*

Contributors:

- *Mr. Jaroslaw Mielnik, Poland*
- *Ms. Piera Laloux, European Investment Bank*

- (d) The environment to which information relates

Timing: Wednesday, 9 December, 12.30–1 p.m.

Speaker:

- *Mr. Daniele Franzone, DG ENV, European Commission*

- (e) Ensuring the legitimate application of the restrictions

Timing: Wednesday, 9 December, 3–4.30 p.m.

Speaker:

- *Ms. Tina Janjatovic, Serbia*

Contributors:

- *Ms. Piperno Flavia, Italy*

4. Effective dissemination of environmental information

Timing: Wednesday, 9 December, 4.30–6 p.m.

Speakers:

- *Ms. Tatiana Tökölyová and Ms. Petra Horvathova, Slovakia*
- *Mr. Rudolf Legat, Austria*
- *Mr. Stefan Jensen, European Environmental Agency (via video-link)*
- *Ms. Magdalena A K Muir, Coastal and Marine Union*

Contributors:

- *Ms. Maike Christiansen, UNECE Aarhus Convention Secretariat*
- *Ms. Maryna Yanush, UNECE Aarhus Convention Secretariat*

5. Priority areas for action on emerging and systemic issues

Timing: Thursday, 10 December, 10 –11.30 a.m.

Speakers:

- *Ms. Ivonne Higuero, UNECE Environment Division (WGEMA secretariat)*
- *Mr. Michael Nagy, UNECE Statistical Division*
- *Mr. Rudolf Legat, Austria*

Contributors:

- *Mr. Daniele Franzone, DG ENV, European Commission*
- *Ms. Aida Iskoyan, Armenia*

6. Activities under other international forums

Timing: Thursday, 10 December, 11.30 a.m. –12.25 p.m.

Speakers:

- *Mr. Pierre Bourdon, OECD Nuclear Energy Agency*
- *Ms. Katherine Anderson, GEO Secretariat*
- *Ms. Virginia Fuse, UNECE Environment Division (THE PEP secretariat)*

7. Other business

Timing: Thursday, 10 December, 12.25–12.30 p.m.

8. Approval of the key outcomes of the meeting

Timing: Thursday, 10 December, 12.30–1 p.m.