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WORKSHOP ON REPORTING UNDER THE PROTOCOL ON WATER AND HEALTH

Geneva, 12–13 February 2013
Palais des Nations, conference room VIII

PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 12 February 2013

10.00-10:45 Session 1: General introduction to reporting

- Introduction and mapping of participants
- Introduction to the workshop: background (mandate, rationale, methodology) and objectives of the workshop
Mr. Pierre Studer, Switzerland, Chair of the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting

10.45-13:00 Session 2: The lessons from the first pilot reporting exercise and progress in the second reporting cycle

10.45-11.00 The first pilot reporting exercise under the Protocol: common challenges and lessons
Mr. Alisher Mamadzhanov, UNECE Secretariat

11.00-13.00 Break-out groups discussions

11.00-12.00 First discussion in break-out groups

During the first part of this break-out session, participants will discuss in groups of 6-7 people the following questions related to the lessons learnt from the first reporting exercise and the progress with the on-going reporting cycle:

- 1) Where do you stand with the preparation of your national summary report?
- 2) What are the main lessons you drew from the first pilot reporting cycle?
- 3) How have you planned the preparation of the summary report in your country?

Groups will have 30 minutes to discuss the questions and prepare a summary of their answers on a flip-chart. Each group will select a rapporteur who will present a 5-minute summary of the discussions to all participants.

12:00-13:00 Second discussion in break-out groups

During the second part of this break-out session, participants will discuss in the same group the following questions related to the process of reporting:

- 1) What are the main challenges in the organization of the national reporting that you foresee or have encountered and possible solutions to overcome them?
- 2) How do you involve public in the process of reporting in your country?
- 3) How do you plan to promote and use the findings of the report nationally? What else could you do?

Groups will have 30 minutes to discuss the questions and prepare a summary of their answers on a flip-chart. Each group will select a rapporteur who will present a 5-minute summary of the discussions to all participants

13.00-15.00 Lunch

15:00-16:00 Session 3: Common indicators (Part Two of the reporting template)

15:00-15:20 Monitoring of water supply and sanitation: linkage between regional and global data collection and reporting mechanisms
Ms. Enkhtsetseg Shinee, WHO European Centre for Environment and Health

15:20-15:40 How countries reported on common indicators in the first reporting exercise?
Lessons and guidance for the second reporting cycle
Mr. Thor-Axel Stenström, Invited Expert

15:40-16:00 Buzzing

Participants will share their experiences on reporting on common indicators by discussing for 10 minutes in groups of 2-3 persons (with their neighbours) the following questions:

- 1) Is the way the common indicators are defined causing you any challenges to report?
- 2) Do the common indicators help you capture and communicate the complexity of and interrelationship between water, health and environment issues covered by the Protocol?
- 3) Are your targets coherent with what your common indicators show?

A general discussion will follow to reflect the main issues debated.

16:00-18:00 Session 4: Reporting on targets and target dates set and assessment of progress (Part Three of the reporting template)

In this session, Parties that are at different stages of setting their targets, achieving and revising them will share their experiences on how they are planning to report on their respective progress. In particular, presenters will focus on the most important target areas for their countries as well as on the most difficult ones to report on.

16:00-16:20 *Ms. Marta Vargha, National Institute for Environmental Health, Hungary*

16:20-16:40 *Mr. Ion Salaru, National Centre for Public Health, Republic of Moldova*

16:40-17:00 *Mr. Kjetil Tveitan, Ministry of Health and Care Services, Norway*

17:00-17:20 *Ms. Natalija Sliachtic, Centre for Health Education and Diseases Prevention, Lithuania*

17:20-18:00 Buzzing

Participants will share their experiences on reporting under Part Three of the reporting template by discussing for 15 minutes in groups of 2-3 persons (with their neighbours) the following questions:

- 1) Where does your country stand with setting and achieving targets?
- 2) What are the top three most important areas for your country and why are they so? How did you report on them during the first reporting exercise, how are you planning to report now?
- 3) What is the most difficult area for your country to report on and why is it so? How did you report on it during the first reporting exercise, how are you planning to report now?

A general discussion will follow to reflect the main issues debated.

Wednesday, 13 February 2013

10:00-10:15 Recap of the first day of the workshop

10:15-13:00 Session 5: Reporting on the overall implementation of the Protocol (Part Four of the reporting template)

10:15-10:40 How to use the national summary report and in particular its Part 4 for conveying political messages and raising political support for the Protocol in member States?
Mr. Pierre Studer, Federal Office of Public Health, Switzerland

10:40-13:00 Break-out groups discussions

10:40-12:00 First discussion in break-out groups

During the first part of this break-out session, participants will discuss in groups of 6-7 people the following questions related to the reporting on the overall implementation of the Protocol in Part Four of the reporting template:

- 1) How are you planning to report on the overall implementation of the Protocol in Part 4 of the reporting template?
- 2) What messages of national relevance are you planning to include in Part 4 of the report to draw attention to issues related to water, health and environment in your country and increase political support for the Protocol?
- 3) What potential challenges and difficulties do you see in reporting under Part 4 of the reporting template? How do you think these challenges could be tackled?

Groups will have 40 minutes to discuss the questions and prepare a summary of their answers on a flip-chart. Each group will select a rapporteur who will present a 5-minute summary of the discussions to all participants.

12:00-13:00 Second discussion in break-out groups

During the second part of this break-out session, participants will discuss in the same group how they are going to report on the implementation of specific articles of the Protocol as requested in Part 4 of the reporting template. The articles are grouped together into three categories, as follows:

- 1) Article 9 on public awareness, education, training, research and development and information; and Article 10 on public participation
- 2) Article 11 on international cooperation; Article 12 on joint and coordinated international action; and Article 13 on cooperation in relation to transboundary waters
- 3) Article 14 on international support for national action

Groups will have 30 minutes to discuss the issues and prepare a summary of their answers on a flip-chart. Each group will select a rapporteur who will present a 5-minute summary of the discussions to all participants.

13.00-15.00 Lunch

15:00-16:45 Session 6: Coordination between authorities at national level and involvement of diverse stakeholders in the preparation of national reports

Presentations of examples of successful inter-ministerial coordination between water, health, environment and other related sectors:

15:00-15:20 *Ms. Marta Vargha, National Institute for Environmental Health, Hungary*

15:20-15:40 *Ms. Biljana Filipovic, Ministry of Nature Resources, Mining and Spatial Planning and Ms. Tanja Knezevic, Institute of Public Health, Serbia*

Joint presentations of national representatives and representatives of NGOs on examples of successful involvement of other stakeholders such as the civil society, local communities, the private sector and the media in the preparations of national summary reports:

15:40-16:00 *Mr. Ion Salaru, National Centre for Public Health and Ms. Tatiana Siniaeva, Eco-TIRAS, Republic of Moldova*

16:00-16:20 *Ms. Iryna Rudenko, State Sanitary and Epidemiological Department and Ms. Anna Tsvetkova, MAMA-86, Ukraine*

16:20-16:45 Discussion

16:45-17:30 Workshop assessment and conclusions

Participants will discuss and share views on the following issues:

- What is the most important issue/aspect they learned at the workshop?
- Will the workshop contribute to the better quality of national reports and their timely submission?
- Did the workshop respond to expectations? Did it meet its objectives?

The Chair will summarize the discussions and conclusions of the workshop.
