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Provisional Programme

Monday, 2 October 2017	
9:30 – 09:50	<p>1. Opening, adoption of the agenda and procedural matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening statements - Adoption of the Agenda
09:50 – 10:00	<p>2. Implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the thirteenth session of the Joint Task Force</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Updates on the progress made since the thirteenth session. Michael Nagy (UNECE) - Q&A
10:00 – 11:00	<p>3. Workshop on establishing a regional environmental information and assessment network-of-networks (agenda item 7)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction, with conclusions of process so far and presentation of a paper to be considered by the UNECE Committee on Environmental Policy (ECE/CEP/2017/14). Nick Bonvoisin (UNECE) – 10 minutes - FAOSTAT agri-environmental statistics and country processes, by Francesco Tubiello (FAO) – 10 minutes - Moderated discussion on: (a) Which existing networks do we need in a network of networks and why? (b) What are the topics of interest to these networks and their members? (c) What would the benefits be for countries in transition from such broader participation? Nick Bonvoisin (UNECE) – 25 minutes - Wrap up.
<i>11:00– 11:15</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:15 – 12:30	<p>4. Climate change-related statistics and indicators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction: Climate change, SEIS and indicators. Michael Nagy (UNECE) and Tomas Marques (UNEP)– 10 minutes - Current and upcoming information needs for international climate change-related policies. Livia Hollins (UNFCCC) – 15 minutes - Water Management and Climate Change Adaptation in Central Asia: Why are sound statistics and indicators so important? Scientific-Information Center of the Interstate Coordination Water Commission of the Central Asia (Ivan Belikov) – 15 minutes - Climate change, policies and data management in Albania. Rozana Bineri – 15 minutes

	- Q&A – 20 minutes
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:15	Continuation of item 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Climate change, policies and data management in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Katerina Nikolovska (Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning) – 15 minutes - Towards a global set of climate change indicators. Reena Shah (UNSD) – 15 minutes - FAOSTAT agri-environmental statistics and indicators, by Francesco Tubiello (FAO) – 25 minutes - Discussion: How can the work of the Joint Task Force contribute to better climate change-related statistics and indicators? – 20 minutes
15:15 – 15:30	Coffee break
15:30 – 16:45	5. Other relevant developments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revision of the Terms of Reference of the Joint Task Force on Environmental Statistics and Indicators (ECE/CEP/2017/12). Nick Bonvoisin (UNECE) – 10 minutes - Q&A – 10 minutes - Revised production tables for energy indicators (UNECE) – 10 minutes - Revised production tables for biodiversity indicators (UNECE) – 10 minutes - Q&A – 15 minutes - Progress of work of the Task Force on Waste Statistics. Michael Nagy (UNECE) – 10 minutes - Q&A – 10 minutes
16:45 – 17:00	6. Other business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update on capacity building activities

Tuesday, 3 October 2017	
9:30 – 12:00	7. Testing of the Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS) assessment framework (agenda item 3) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction, including the conclusions of piloting of SEIS assessment framework. Nick Bonvoisin (UNECE) – 10 minutes - Results of SEIS workshop (Vienna, 14-15 September 2017). Tomas Marques (UNEP) (tbc) – 10 minutes - Proposal on datasets/indicators to be reported. Nick Bonvoisin (UNECE) – 5 minutes - Discussion - Proposal on compliance or performance scoring. Matthew Billot (UNEP) – 15 minutes - Discussion
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee break
	Continuation of item 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstration on-screen of completing the questionnaires. (country representative tbc) - Q&A - Next steps – 15 minutes
12:00 – 12:30	Conclusions and closing of the meeting