

16th Session of the Group of Experts on Coal Mine Methane
Geneva, 3-4 March 2021

Draft Timetable (v1, 23 December 2020)

Wednesday, 3 March 2021			
Time	Agenda item	Detailed agenda (when necessary)	Speakers/Panelists
10:00	Housekeeping		Secretariat
10:02	Item 1: Adoption of the agenda		Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Secretariat
10:05	Item 2: Election of officers		Secretariat
10:10	Item 3: Opening remarks	Opening remarks	Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
10:20	Item 4: Activities and priorities of the Committee on Sustainable Energy & matters for consideration by Group of Experts	(a) 69th ECE Commission Session, April 2021 - proposed decisions on methane (b) Support for declaration of an International Decade for Methane Management (c) Principles of a just transition (d) Carbon neutrality as a pathway to sustainable energy and role for the Group of Experts (e) Strategic review of ECE sustainable energy subprogramme and role for the Group of Experts (f) Rules of procedure for Committee on Sustainable Energy Discussion (Q&A)	Mr. Scott Foster , Director, Sustainable Energy Division, UNECE Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM All Participants
10:45	Item 5: New Developments and Challenges in the Coal Sector throughout the World	Russian Federation	Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Mr. Maxim Titov , ENERPO All Participants TBC Mr. Valerii Zakharov , Russian Academy of Science Mr. Alexey Shlyapin , Russian Academy of Science All Participants
10:50		Introduction	
11:05		Transition of the Coal Sector in Russia	
11:15		Discussion (Q&A)	
11:35		New Developments in the Field of Methane Management in Russian Mines	
11:50	Centre for Problems of Methane and Gas-dynamic Phenomena in Coal and Ore Deposits – Background, Objectives, and Activities		
12:00	Lunch break		
14:00	Item 5: New Developments and Challenges in the Coal Sector throughout the World (continued)	Ukraine	TBC All Participants TBC All Participants
14:20		New Developments in the Field of Methane Management in Ukrainian Mines	
14:25		Discussion (Q&A)	
14:45		Poland New Developments in the Field of Methane Management in Polish Mines	
14:45		Discussion (Q&A)	

14:50	Item 9: Cooperation and partnerships	Introduction	Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
14:55		Work on Methane Emissions from the Coal Sector	DG ENER
15:10		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UE Methane Strategy 	Ms. Volha Roshchanka , Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
15:25		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Task Force 	All Participants
15:35		Discussion	All Participants
15:50		NLMK CO ₂ Capture Project	Mr. Nikita Vorobyev , NLMK
15:50		Discussion (Q&A)	All Participants
16:00	End of day one		

Thursday, 4 March 2021			
Time	Agenda item	Detailed agenda (when necessary)	Speakers/Panelists
10:00	Item 6: Report on implementation of the work plan for 2020-2021	Progress in implementation of the work plan for 2020-2021	Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Secretariat
10:15		Reports by the International Centres of Excellence on Coal Mine Methane	Mr. Piotr Kasza , Board Member, ICE-CMM Poland
10:30		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Presentation of the work on CMM of the new member of ICE-CMM Poland, JSW 	TBC
10:45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • China 	Mr. Jin Zhixin , Chairman, ICE-CMM China
11:00	Item 7: Future work of the Group of Experts	Presentation of document ECE/ENERGY/GE.4/2021/3	Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Secretariat
11:10		Discussion on amending the Group's mandate to better embrace the principles of a just transition.	All Participants
11:35	Item 8: Work plan for 2022-2023	Presentation of the Work Plan for 2022-2023	Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Mr. Michal Drabik , Secretary, Group of Experts on CMM
11:45		Discussion	All Participants
12:00	Lunch break		
14:00	Item 10: Eleventh Joint Meeting of UNECE Group of Experts on CMM and GMI Coal Subcommittee		
15:30	Item 11: Preparations for the seventeenth session of the Group		Secretariat
15:35	Item 12: Any other business		Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Secretariat
15:40	Item 13: Adoption of conclusions and recommendations		Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
15:50	Item 14: Adoption of report and close of meeting		Secretariat
16:00	Close of the sixteenth session		

See Draft Programme for Workshop on Energy Transition *with focus on the coal sector*, 5 March, on page 3

Workshop on Energy Transition *with focus on the coal sector*
(English only)

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Friday, 5 March 2021				
Time	Agenda item	Detailed agenda (when necessary)	Speakers/Panelists	
10:00	Introduction	Opening Remarks	Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM	
10:10	National Strategies for Energy Transition	Examples of Energy Transition Programmes in selected countries	Mr. Maxim Titov , ENERPO	
10:30		• Russia		
10:40		Discussion		All Participants
11:00		• Ukraine		TBC
11:10		Discussion		All Participants
11:30		• Poland	TBC	
11:40	EU Coal Regions in Transition Platform	Discussion	All Participants	
11:55		Presentations of goals, strategies and achievements.	TBC	
12:05	Social Aspects of Transformation	Lausitz Case Study	Mr. Rudiger Lange	
12:20		Discussion	All Participants	
12:30	Lunch			
13:30	World Bank's perspective on Coal Sector Transition	Mine Closure and Repurposing	TBC	
13:50		Discussion	All Participants	
14:00	US Department of Energy perspective	CCUS and other Clean Coal Technologies	TBC	
14:20		Discussion	All Participants	
14:30	Moderated debate		All Participants Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM (Moderator)	
15:20	Closing remarks		Mr. Raymond Pilcher , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM	
15:30	End of Workshop			