

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

**Draft Timetable** (v5, 26 February 2021)

<b>Wednesday, 3 March 2021</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Detailed agenda (when necessary)</b>	<b>Speakers/Panelists</b>
10:00	Housekeeping		Secretariat
10:02	<b>Item 1: Adoption of the agenda</b>		<b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Secretariat
10:05	<b>Item 2: Election of officers</b>		Secretariat
10:10	<b>Item 3: Opening remarks</b>	Opening remarks	<b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
10:20	<b>Item 4: Activities and priorities of the Committee on Sustainable Energy &amp; matters for consideration by Group of Experts</b>	(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	<b>Mr. Scott Foster</b> , Director, Sustainable Energy Division, UNECE <b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
10:45		Discussion (Q&A)	<b>All Participants</b>
10:50	<b>Item 5: New Developments and Challenges in the Coal Sector throughout the World</b>	Introduction	<b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
10:55		<b>Russian Federation</b> Restructuring of the coal industry in Russia	<b>Mr. Sergey Shumkov</b> , Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
11:15		Draft findings of ENERPO's project on energy transition in Russia	<b>Mr. Maxim Titov</b> , Executive Director, Energy Policy Research Center
11:30		Discussion (Q&A)	<b>All Participants</b>
11:40		Centre for Coal Mine Methane in Russia (innovative research and development) – Background, Objectives, and Activities	<b>Mr. Valerii Zakharov</b> , Director, Center for Coal Mine Methane in Russia, Russian Academy of Science
11:55		Discussion (Q&A)	<b>All Participants</b>
12:00	Lunch break		
14:00	<b>Item 5: New Developments and Challenges in the Coal Sector throughout the World (continued)</b>	<b>Ukraine</b> New Developments in the Field of Methane Management in Ukrainian Mines	<b>Mr. Borys Griadushchyi</b> , Director, Donetsk Research Institute of Coal Mining (DONUGI) <b>Mr. Anatoliy Bulat</b> , Ukrainian Academy of Science <b>Mr. Yuriy Bobrov</b> , Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
14:20		Discussion (Q&A)	<b>All Participants</b>
14:25		<b>Poland</b> New Developments in the Field of Methane Management in Polish Mines	<b>Mr. Jacek Skiba</b> , Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
14:45		Discussion (Q&A)	<b>All Participants</b>

14:50	<b>Item 9: Cooperation and partnerships</b>	Introduction	<b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
14:55		Work on Methane Emissions from the Coal Sector	<b>Mr. Malcolm McDowell</b> , European Commission, DG ENER
15:10		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EU Methane Strategy</li> </ul>	<b>Ms. Volha Roshchanka</b> , Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
15:20		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report of MRV Task Force</li> </ul>	<b>Ms. Justyna Swolkień</b> , Professor, AGH University of Science & Technology
15:30		Discussion	<b>All Participants</b>
15:40		NLMK CO <sub>2</sub> Capture Project (TBC)	<b>Mr. Nikita Vorobyev</b> , NLMK (TBC)
15:50		Discussion (Q&A)	<b>All Participants</b>
16:00	End of day one		

<b>Thursday, 4 March 2021</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Detailed agenda (when necessary)</b>	<b>Speakers/Panelists</b>
10:00	<b>Item 6: Report on implementation of the work plan for 202-2021</b>	Progress in implementation of the work plan for 2020-2021	<b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Secretariat
10:15		Reports by the International Centres of Excellence on Coal Mine Methane	<b>Mr. Piotr Kasza</b> , Board Member, ICE-CMM Poland
10:30		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Presentation of the work on CMM of the new member of ICE-CMM Poland, JSW</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Mr. Artur Badylak</b> , Director, Department of Methane Drainage and Energy Carrier Management, JSW
10:45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• China</li> </ul>	<b>Mr. Jin Zhixin</b> , Chairman, ICE-CMM China
11:00	<b>Item 7: Future work of the Group of Experts</b>	Presentation of document ECE/ENERGY/GE.4/2021/4	<b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Secretariat
11:10		Discussion to orient the Group's mandate to better embrace the principles of a just transition as per the request of the Committee on Sustainable Energy	<b>All Participants</b>
11:35	<b>Item 8: Draft Work plan for 2022-2023</b>	Presentation of the Draft Work Plan for 2022-2023 (document ECE/ENERGY/GE.4/2021/3)	<b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Secretariat
11:45		Discussion	<b>All Participants</b>
12:00	Lunch break		
14:00	<b>Item 10: Eleventh Joint Meeting of UNECE Group of Experts on CMM and GMI Coal Subcommittee</b>	Welcome from UNECE and GMI	<b>Mr. Ray Pilcher</b> , Chair, UNECE Group of Experts on CMM <b>Ms. Volha Roshchanka</b> on behalf of GMI Coal Mines Subcommittee Co-Chairs
14:10		GMI Secretariate Update	<b>Ms. Monica Shimamura</b> , GMI Secretariat
14:20		Overview of Tools and Resources Available through GMI and CMOP	<b>Mr. Volha Roshchanka</b> , U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (United States)
14:30		Tools to Assist with Evaluating CMM Project Opportunities in Active Mines and AMM Resources	<b>Mr. Ozgen Karacan</b> , U.S. Geological Survey (United States)
14:40		A Training Simulator for Management of Underground Methane Drainage Boreholes	<b>Mr. David Creedy</b> , Sindicatum Sustainable Resources (UK/China)
14:50		CMM and AMM Calculation Methods in German Hard Coal Mines	<b>Mr. Stefan Möllerherm</b> , Research Center of Post-Mining (Germany)
15:00		Pre-feasibility Study Training by GMI	<b>Mr. Clark Talkington</b> , Advanced Resources International (United States)

15:10		CMM Project List: Analysis of Current Status & Trends	<b>Mr. Nazar Kholod</b> , Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (United States)
15:20		Summary of Action Items and Adjourn	GMI Coal Mines Subcommittee Co-Chairs
15:30	<b>Item 11: Preparations for the seventeenth session of the Group</b>		Secretariat
15:35	<b>Item 12: Any other business</b>		<b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM Secretariat
15:40	<b>Item 13: Adoption of conclusions and recommendations</b>		<b>Mr. Raymond Pilcher</b> , Chair, Group of Experts on CMM
15:50	<b>Item 14: Adoption of report and close of meeting</b>		Secretariat
16:00	Close of the sixteenth session		