

23rd session of the Working Group on Environmental Monitoring and Assessment
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Decisions submitted to silence procedure following formal meetings with remote participation

Agenda item	Decision No.	Document No (link)	Decision
Agenda item 1: Adoption of the Agenda	1	ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/1/Rev.1 https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/2103776E.pdf	The Working Group adopted the agenda as set out in document ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/1/Rev.1
Agenda item 2: Election of the Chair and Vice- Chairs	2		The Working Group elected Ms. Maia Javakhishvili (Georgia) as its new Chair and Ms. Katerina Nikolovska (North Macedonia) and Mr. Johannes Mayer (Austria) as its new vice-chairs for a period of up to two years.
Agenda item 3: Adoption of the report of the twenty-second session	3	ECE/CEP/AC.10/2020/2 https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/2017412E-1.pdf	The Working Group adopted the report of its twenty-second session as set out in document ECE/CEP/AC.10/2020/2.
Agenda item 4: Implementing the mandate and terms of reference	4	ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/3. https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-03/2102238E-1.pdf	The Working Group adopted the timetable of activities for 2022 as set out in document ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/3.
Agenda item 4	5	Presentation: https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/4.2%20Financial%20resources_1.pdf	The Working Group took note of the financial resources available for the implementation of activities under the Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Programme.
Agenda item 4	6	Presentation: https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/4.2%20Financial%20resources_1.pdf	The Working Group expressed appreciation to those countries supporting financially the pan-European environmental assessment – Austria, Germany, Netherlands, Norway, Serbia and Switzerland – and to the Russian Federation for its support of the present meeting.

Agenda item 4	7	Presentation: https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/4.2%20Financial%20resources_1.pdf	The Working Group requested its members and the secretariat to continue their fundraising efforts to enable the full implementation of activities planned for 2021-2022, including the preparation of the pan-European environmental assessment and the holding of the next sessions of the Joint Task Force on Environmental Statistics and Indicators and the Working Group.
Agenda item 5: Reporting on the Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS) to support a regular process of environmental assessment	8	ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/6. https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/2104042E.pdf	The Working Group adopted the final progress review report on the establishment of the Shared Environmental Information System in Europe and Central Asia as contained in document ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/6.
Agenda item 5	9	ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/6. https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/2104042E.pdf	The Working Group suggested the continued use of the Shared Environmental Information System reporting tool and assessment framework for upcoming reviews for selected indicators and in support of pan-European environmental assessments.
Agenda item 5	10	ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/6. https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/2104042E.pdf	The Working Group requested the secretariat to inform the Committee on Environmental Policy on the outcomes of this agenda item.
Agenda item 6: Regular pan-European environmental assessment supported by the Shared Environmental Information System	11	ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/5. https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/2104047E.pdf	The Working Group welcomed the draft elements of the next pan-European environmental assessment set out in document ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/5.
Agenda item 6	12	ECE/CEP/AC.10/2021/5. https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/2104047E.pdf Presentation:	The Working Group took note of the progress made, timeline and next steps for the assessment.

		https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.1_Pan-European%20Assessment_0.pdf	
Agenda item 6	13	<p>Presentation:</p> <p>https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.2_PEEA%20Air%20Pollution%20%26%20ozone%20depletion_Cees%20Braams.pdf;</p> <p>https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.3_PEEA_Climate%20Change_Olivera%20Kujundzic_0.pdf;</p> <p>https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.4_PEEA_Sub-chapter%203.4%20Spiteri%202029%20April.pdf</p>	The Working Group welcomed the presentations of thematic sections of the assessment by the authors.
Agenda item 6	14	<p>Presentation:</p> <p>https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.2_PEEA%20Air%20Pollution%20%26%20ozone%20depletion_Cees%20Braams.pdf</p> <p>https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.3_PEEA_Climate%20Change_Olivera%20Kujundzic_0.pdf</p> <p>https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.4_PEEA_Sub-chapter%203.4%20Spiteri%202029%20April.pdf</p>	The Working Group requested the authors of the thematic sections of the assessment to take into account the comments made by the members of the Working Group and to focus on policy-relevant conclusions.
Agenda item 6	15	<p>Presentation:</p> <p>https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.1_Pan-European%20Assessment_0.pdf</p>	The Working Group encouraged member States to support preparation of the assessment with further financial contributions.
Agenda item 6	16	<p>Presentation:</p>	The Working Group requested the secretariat to inform the Committee on Environmental Policy and its Bureau on the outcomes of this agenda item.

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Agenda item 6	17	Presentation: https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.1_Pan-European%20Assessment_0.pdf	The Working Group requested the secretariat to engage the Joint Task Force on Environmental Statistics and Indicators in the review of progress and clearance of draft elements of the assessment.
Agenda item 6	18	Presentation: https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/6.1_Pan-European%20Assessment_0.pdf	The Working Group requested an update on the assessment at its next session, for final clearance.
Agenda item 10(a): Closure of the hybrid meeting	19		The Working Group welcomed a summary of conclusions and decisions and approved the decisions made ad referendum during the hybrid part of the twenty-third session of the Working Group on 4 May 2021.