

Convention on long Range Transboundary Air Pollution: Working Group on Strategies and Review

Meeting of 18th May – Agenda item 5: Draft 2022-2023 Workplan

We thank you for sending the papers for the Fifty-ninth session of the Working Group on Strategies and Review. The UK have reviewed the [draft 2022–2023 workplan](#) for the implementation of the Convention and are pleased to see the activities proposed for inclusion in the policy section. We would like to put forward a suggestion to include text on the Forum for international cooperation on air pollution, and have drafted the below text which we feel could be well placed as paragraph 5.

5. As noted in the long-term strategy for the Convention (ECE/EB.AIR/142/Add.2, decision 2018/5, annex, para 4), air pollution is increasingly recognized as a global problem and transboundary air pollution from outside the ECE region has a growing impact on air quality within it. As per decision 2019/5 the Convention will respond to these challenges by establishing and launching the Forum for international cooperation on air pollution. The Forum will provide a platform for cooperation and information-sharing to support countries' efforts to reduce air pollution.

<i>Workplan item</i>	<i>Expected outcome/deliverable</i>	<i>Lead body</i>	<i>Resource</i>
Activities to support broader geographic cooperation on air pollution	<i>An international forum which achieves the vision and mission set out in informal document 4 of the 39th session of the Executive Body. To include a website and meetings as appropriate and resources permit.</i>	<i>WGSR taskforce-Forum for international cooperation on air quality (FICAP)</i>	In-kind contributions by participating countries