

Aarhus Convention

25th Working Group of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention (WGP 25)

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– Contribution by the EU and its Member States –

Agenda item 9(i): Draft decision VII/... Draft Declaration on Environmental Democracy for Sustainable, Inclusive and Resilient Development

The EU and its Member States thank the Chairs of the Bureaux and the two Bureaux for preparing the Draft Declaration on Environmental Democracy for Sustainable, Inclusive and Resilient Development to be considered by the Meetings of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention and to the Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers at a joint segment (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2021/18).

We could approve the current proposal for a draft Declaration and we would ask the Bureau, with the assistance of the Secretariat and in consultation with the Bureau of the PRTR Protocol, to prepare the Declaration for final adoption at the joint High Level Segment of the two MoPs.