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Information note on documents for the seventh session of the Meeting of the Parties

I. Documents distribution policy

In order to minimize the negative environmental impact of the meetings, the following policy regarding distribution of the documents will be applied during the seventh session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention (Preparatory and General Segment), the fourth session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on PRTRs (General Segment) and their Joint High-Level Segment.

(a) Pre-session documents

Participants should ensure that they have all pre-session documents that they require for the meetings. There will be no distribution of hard copies of the pre-session documents in the meeting rooms.

(b) In-session documents

In-session documents will be revised in track changes at meetings and projected live on screen in the meeting room.

All revised (“in-session”) and approved documents will be uploaded online and made available on the meeting website: https://unece.org/environmental-policy/events/Aarhus_Convention_MoP7 - Tab “In-session documents”.

(c) Post-session documents

Post-session documents will be made available after the meeting in electronic form on the UNECE web page (https://unece.org/environmental-policy/events/Aarhus_Convention_MoP7 - Tab “Post-session documents”).

II. List of documents per agenda item for the Preparatory and General Segments

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All agenda items	Provisional agenda for the seventh session of the Meeting of the Parties (ECE/MP.PP/2021/1)	Category I
	Report on the implementation of the work programme for 2018–2021 (ECE/MP.PP/2021/3)	Category II
	Synthesis report on the status of implementation of the Convention (ECE/MP.PP/2021/6) and NIRs (available from https://aarhusclearinghouse.unece.org/national-reports/reports)	Category II
	Report of the twenty-second meeting of the Working Group of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention, (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2018/2)	Intersessional
	Report of the twenty-third meeting of the Working Group of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention, (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2019/2)	Intersessional
	Report of the twenty fourth meeting of the Working Group of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2020/2)	Intersessional
	Report of the twenty fifth meeting of the Working Group of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2021/2)	Intersessional
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2	Provisional agenda for the seventh session of the Meeting of the Parties (ECE/MP.PP/2021/1)	Category I
	Draft operating procedures to facilitate remote participation and decision-making in the seventh session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention due to extraordinary circumstances (ECE/MP.PP/2021/5)	Category I
3	Draft decision VII/2 on promoting effective public participation (ECE/MP.PP/2021/9)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/7 on reporting requirements (ECE/MP.PP/2021/14)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/9 on a rapid response mechanism to deal with cases related to article 3 (8) of the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (ECE/MP.PP/2021/19)	Category I

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	Draft decision VII/6 on financial arrangements under the Convention (ECE/MP.PP/2021/13)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 on general issues of compliance (ECE/MP.PP/2021/23)	Category I
	Supplementary draft decisions concerning specific cases of non-compliance of individual Parties (ECE/MP.PP/2021/24 to 42)	Category I
	<i>Background documents:</i> Report of the Compliance Committee on procedural matters (ECE/MP.PP/2021/44)	Category II
	Report of the Compliance Committee on general issues of compliance (ECE/MP.PP/2021/45)	Category II
	Supplementary reports on compliance matter related to Parties concerned (ECE/MP.PP/2017/46 to 60)	Category II
	Information note by the Chair of the Compliance Committee for Item 7 (b) of the provisional agenda: compliance mechanism (AC/MOP-7/Inf.2)	Category II
	Membership of the Compliance Committee (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2020/9)	Category II
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6 (a)	Draft decision VII/1 on promoting effective access to information (ECE/MP.PP/2021/8)	Category I
	Draft updated recommendations on the more effective use of electronic information tools (ECE/MP.PP/2021/20) and Addendum 1 (ECE/MP.PP/2021/20/Add.1)	Category I
	<i>Background documents:</i> Report of the Working Group of the Parties on its twenty-second meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2018/2), including the thematic session on access to information	Intersessional
	Report of the Task Force on Access to Information on its sixth meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2020/3)	Intersessional

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	Report of the Task Force on Access to Information on its seventh meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2021/3)	Intersessional
6 (b)	Draft decision VII/2 on promoting effective public participation in decision-making (ECE/MP.PP/2021/9)	Category I
	<i>Background documents:</i> Report of the Task Force on Public Participation in Decision-making on its eighth meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2019/3)	Intersessional
	Report of the Working Group of the Parties on its twenty-third meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2019/2), including the thematic session on public participation in decision-making	Intersessional
	Report of the Task Force on Public Participation in Decision-making on its ninth meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2021/4)	Intersessional
6 (c)	Draft decision VII/3 on promoting effective access to justice (ECE/MP.PP/2021/10)	Category I
	<i>Background documents:</i> Report of the Task Force on Access to Justice on its eleventh meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2018/3)	Intersessional
	Report of the Task Force on Access to Justice on its twelfth meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2019/4)	Intersessional
	Report of the Working Group of the Parties on its twenty-fourth meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2020/2), including the thematic session on access to justice	Intersessional
	Report of the Task Force on Access to Justice on its thirteenth meeting (ECE/MP.PP/2021/5)	Intersessional
6 (d)	Draft decision VII/5 on the work programme for 2022–2025 (ECE/MP.PP/2021/12)	Category I
	<i>Background document:</i> Report on the third Joint Round Table on Public Awareness, Access to Information and Public Participation regarding Living Modified Organisms/Genetically Modified Organisms (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2020/6)	Intersessional
	Report of the Working Group of the Parties on its twenty-fifth meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2021/2), including the thematic session on genetically modified organisms	Intersessional
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7 (a)	Draft decision VII/7 on reporting requirements (ECE/MP.PP/2021/14)	Category I

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	Synthesis report on the status of implementation of the Convention (ECE/MP.PP/2021/6)	Category II
7 (b)	Draft decision VII/8 on general issues of compliance (ECE/MP.PP/2021/23)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (a) on compliance by Armenia (ECE/MP.PP/2021/24)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (b) on compliance by Austria (ECE/MP.PP/2021/25)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (c) on compliance by Belarus (ECE/MP.PP/2017/26)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (d) on compliance by Bulgaria (ECE/MP.PP/2021/27)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (e) on compliance by Czechia (ECE/MP.PP/2021/28)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (f) on compliance by European Union (ECE/MP.PP/2021/29)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (g) on compliance by Germany (ECE/MP.PP/2021/30)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (h) on compliance by Hungary (ECE/MP.PP/2021/31)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (i) on compliance by Ireland (ECE/MP.PP/2021/32)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (j) on compliance by Italy (ECE/MP.PP/2021/33)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (k) on compliance by Kazakhstan (ECE/MP.PP/2021/34)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (l) on compliance by Lithuania (ECE/MP.PP/2021/35)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (m) on compliance by the Netherlands (ECE/MP.PP/2021/36)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (n) on compliance by the Republic of Moldova (ECE/MP.PP/2021/37)	Category I

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	Draft decision VII/8 (o) on compliance by Romania (ECE/MP.PP/2021/38)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (p) on compliance by Spain (ECE/MP.PP/2021/39)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (q) on compliance by Turkmenistan (ECE/MP.PP/2021/40)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (r) on compliance by Ukraine (ECE/MP.PP/2021/41)	Category I
	Draft decision VII/8 (s) on compliance by the United Kingdom (ECE/MP.PP/2021/42)	Category I
	<i>Background documents:</i> Report of the Compliance Committee on procedural matters (ECE/MP.PP/2021/44)	Category II
	Report of the Compliance Committee on general issues of compliance (ECE/MP.PP/2021/45)	Category II
	Supplementary reports on compliance matter related to Parties concerned (ECE/MP.PP/2017/46 to 60).	Category II
	Membership of the Compliance Committee (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2020/9)	Category II
	Reports of the Compliance Committee on its fifty-eighth to seventy-first meetings (ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2017/10; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2017/23; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2018/2; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2018/2; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2018/4; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2018/6; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2019/2; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2019/5; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2019/8; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2020/2; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2020/5; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2020/7; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2021/2; ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2021/10 - forthcoming)	Intersessional
7 (c)	Draft decision VII/9 on a rapid response mechanism to deal with cases related to article 3 (8) of the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (ECE/MP.PP/2021/19)	Category I
7 (d)	Draft decision VII/5 on the work programme for 2022-2025 (ECE/MP.PP/2021/12)	Category I
	<i>Background documents:</i> Report on capacity-building (ECE/MP.PP/2021/7)	Category II
	Accompanying document to the Report on capacity-building activities (AC/MOP-7/Inf.3)	Category II

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8 (a)	Draft decision VII/10 on accession by Guinea-Bissau to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (ECE/MP.PP/2021/21)	Category I
	<i>Background documents:</i> Preliminary assessment of the institutional, policy and legal framework of Guinea-Bissau (ECE/MP.PP/2017/47)	Category II
8 (b)	Draft decision VII/4 on promoting the application of the principles of the Convention in international forums (ECE/MP.PP/2021/11)	Category I
	<i>Background documents:</i> Report of the Working Group of the Parties on its twenty-second meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2018/2)	Intersessional
	Report of the Working Group of the Parties on its twenty-third meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2019/2)	Intersessional
	Report of the Working Group of the Parties on its twenty-fourth meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2020/2)	Intersessional
	Report of the Working Group of the Parties on its twenty-fifth meeting (ECE/MP.PP/WG.1/2021/2)	Intersessional
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9 (a)	<i>Background documents:</i> Report on the implementation of the work programme for 2018–2021 (ECE/MP.PP/2021/3)	Category II
	Report on contributions and expenditures in relation to the implementation of the Convention’s work programme for 2018–2021 (ECE/MP.PP/2021/4)	Category II
9 (b)	Draft decision VII/5 on the work programme for 2022–2025 (ECE/MP.PP/2021/12)	Category I
9 (c)	Draft decision VII/11 on the Strategic Plan for 2022–2030 (ECE/MP.PP/2021/22)	Category I
9 (d)	Draft decision VII/6 on financial arrangements under the Convention (ECE/MP.PP/2021/13)	Category I

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