



Agenda

Seventh meeting of the IBC on Environment and Climate Change

21 September 2021 (10:00–11:30, Geneva/Venice/UTC+2 time)

Background

The United Nations Inter-Agency Issue-Based Coalition (IBC) on Environment and Climate Change for Europe and Central Asia was established in March 2020. The IBC consists of 18 members from the UN family: FAO, ILO, IOM, ITU, OHCHR, UN Habitat, UN Women, UNDP, UNDRR, UNECE, UNEP, UNESCO, UNFCCC, UNICEF, UNOPS, WFP, WHO and WMO. The IBC has met on 21 April, 17 June, 4 September, 6 November 2020 and 11 February and 22 June 2021. The primary purpose of the IBC is to support UN Country Teams in their assistance to programme countries. A website provides information about the IBC, resources relating to the response to and economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, and a list of activities to date, including webinars and the issuance of guidance materials.¹

Meeting objective

This objective of this meeting is to provide an update on IBC activities, initiate planning for 2022 and possibly share information on the environmental consequences of hotspots in the region.

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10:00 – 10:05	Welcome and opening addresses, including meeting objectives Co-chairs UNECE, UNESCO and UNEP
10:05 – 10:15	Regional updates on environment and climate changes issues and the Regional Collaborative Platform (RCP) Michael Kunz, UNECE (RCP secretariat)
10:15 – 10:45	Hotspots in the region with environmental consequences DPPA (tbc)
10:45 – 11:00	Updates from Pillar 1 (Strengthening environmental and climate change governance and implementing the SDGs and the 2030 Agenda) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate change & disaster risk reduction, by Andrew Bower, UNDRR
11:00 – 11:05	Updates from Pillar 2 (Supporting countries in the environmental and climate change dimension of UNSDCF and CCA processes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Training further to the guidance on Integrating the Environment and Climate Change in Processes for UNSDCFs, by Matthew Billot, UNEP



11:05 – 11:15	Updates from Pillar 3 (Monitoring and reporting on the environmental and climate change dimension of SDGs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCP website, by Michael Kunz, UNECE (RCP secretariat) • Regional knowledge management hub, <i>Manara</i> platform, by Tarcisio Alvarez-Rivero, ESCWA
11:15 – 11:25	IBC workplan 2022 Introduction to the preparation of the workplan for 2022, UNECE/UNEP/UNESCO (tbc)
11:25 – 11:30	Wrap up and moving forward – Co-chairs UNEP, UNECE and UNESCO

Meeting documents:

- Provisional agenda
- Conclusions of RCP meeting on 11 June 2021
- Outline IBC workplan 2022
- Revised IBC workplan 2021
- Matrix of task team membership
- Innovation brief on Integrating Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation for Risk-informed and Climate-smart Development
- Report of the sixth meeting of the IBC