

# Special Session of the Working Group on Implementation:

Seminar on good practices and lessons learned in implementing the UNECE Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents

#### Geneva and online, 3-4 February 2022

with interpretation in English, French and Russian

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# Day 1 morning: 3 February 2022, 11:00 to 13:00 CET Welcoming and seminar introduction Opening of the meeting by Ms. Torill Tandberg, Chair of the Bureau of the Convention on 11:00-11:10 Welcoming the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents Opening remarks by Ms. Helena Fridh, Chair of the Convention's Working Group on *Implementation* Opening remarks by Ms. Nicolette Bouman, Chair of the preparatory group for the seminar, member of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation Key findings from the <u>ninth report on the implementation of the Convention 2016–2018</u>: 11:10-11:25 Gap analysis Implementation trends and gaps across the UNECE region Ms. Helena Fridh, Chair of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation Review of the <u>Tables of Good Practices</u>, compiled from the national implementation 11:25-11:30 Resources reports from the 8th and 9th reporting rounds UNECE secretariat Session 1 - Prevention of industrial accidents Moderator: Ms. Helena Fridh, Chair of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation and member of the preparatory group for the seminar

11:30–11:40	Introduction	Overview of the theme of prevention, relevant provisions in the Convention, gaps in implementation and reported good practices  Moderator of Session 1
11:40-11:45	Interactive poll	The moderator will invite the audience to complete a short online poll during the session on the challenges for the prevention of industrial accidents within their countries / subregions, to which the speakers will review in the discussion Moderator of Session 1
11:45-12:00	Good practice	Methodology by Poland in dealing with matters related to the prevention of major industrial accidents  Mr. Radosław Czapla, National Headquarters of the State Fire Service of Poland  10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A



12:00-12:15	Good practice & lesson learned	Industrial Safety and Cyber Security – Operational Guidance on <u>Cyber Security for Industrial Automation and Control Systems (IACS)</u> and the related cyber security trial inspections  Ms. Gill Smart, Head of Chemicals and Land Use Planning Policy Team, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland  10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
12:15-12:30	Good practice	Integrating technological accident prevention into national disaster risk reduction policies – Portugal's National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (PNRRC)  Representative from Portugal (tbd)  10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
12:30-13:00	Discussion	Moderator, presenters, secretariat and audience to discuss key challenges reported by the participants through the online survey and answer questions; wrap-up by the moderator Participants are encouraged to submit questions in advance of the seminar (to eceteia.conv@un.org) or during the seminar (through the chat)

# Day 1 afternoon: 3 February 2022, 15:00 to 17:00 CET

## Session 2 – Identification and notification of hazardous activities

Moderator: Ms. Sanja Stamenkovic, Member of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation and of the preparatory group for the seminar

15:00–15:10	Introduction	Overview of the theme of identification and notification of hazardous activities, relevant provisions in the Convention, gaps in implementation and reported good practices Moderator of Session 2
15:10–15:15	Resources	Presentation of the guidelines to facilitate the identification of hazardous activities for the purpose of the Convention (location criteria) and the template for the notification of hazardous activities in accordance with article 4 of and annex III to the Convention UNECE secretariat
15:15-15:30	Good practice (transboundary)	Germany to present on the identification and notification of tailings management facilities (TMFs) in the Danube River Basin and beyond, using the TMF Methodology Representative from Germany (tbd)  10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
15:30–15:45	Good practice (transboundary)	Belarus' notification and consultation process with Lithuania and Latvia on hazardous installations capable of causing transboundary effects, based on the example of a pipeline Representative from Belarus (tbd)  10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
15:45-16:00	Discussion	Moderator, presenters, secretariat and audience to further discuss the theme and answer questions; wrap-up by the moderator  Participants are encouraged to submit questions in advance of the seminar (to eceteia.conv@un.org) or during the seminar (through the chat)



## **Session 3 – Decision-making on siting and land-use planning**

Moderator: Mr. Raphaël Gonzalez, Member of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation and of the preparatory group for the seminar

16:00-16:10	Introduction	Overview of the theme of decision-making on siting and land-use planning, relevant provisions in the Convention, gaps in implementation and reported good practices Moderator of Session 3
16:10–16:15	Resources	Presentation of the UNECE/EIB <u>Information Repository of Good Practices and Lessons</u> <u>Learned in Land-Use Planning and Industrial Safety</u> and UNECE <u>Guidance on land-use</u> <u>planning</u> , the siting of hazardous activities and related safety aspects  UNECE secretariat
16:15-16:20	Video	Screening of UNECE's video on land-use planning and industrial safety
16:20–16:35	Good practice	Switzerland's <u>Guidelines on land-use planning and prevention of major accidents</u> Mr. Raphaël Gonzalez, Federal Office for the Environment FOEN  10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
16:35–16:50	Good practice (transboundary)	Planning of the development of the Andash ore deposit and transboundary cooperation in Kyrgyzstan  Ms. Gulfiya Shabayeva, Chief specialist of the Department on Industrial Safety Regulation, Kyrgyzstan  10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
16:50–17:00	Discussion	Moderator, presenters, secretariat and audience to further discuss the theme and answer questions; wrap-up by the moderator  Participants are encouraged to submit questions in advance of the seminar (to eceteia.conv@un.org) or during the seminar (through the chat)

## Day 2 morning: 4 February 2022, 11:00 to 13:00 CET

#### Session 4 – Emergency preparedness, response and mutual assistance

Moderator: Mr. Vitalii Mutaf, Member of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation and of the preparatory group for the seminar

11:00-11:10	Introduction	Overview of the theme of emergency preparedness, response and mutual assistance, relevant provisions in the Convention, gaps in implementation and reported good practices Moderators of Session 4
11:10-11:15	Resource	Presentation of the UNECE checklist for contingency planning for accidents affecting transboundary waters  UNECE secretariat



11:15-11:30	Good practice (transboundary)	Joint presentation by countries on their cooperation, exercises/drills to test operations and mutual assistance activities  Representatives (tbd)  10-minute joint presentation and 5-minute Q&A
11:30-11:45	Lesson learned (transboundary)	Lessons learned from trilateral table-top and field exercises between Moldova, Romania and Ukraine at the International Sea Port Guirgiulesti and their development of a joint/transboundary contingency plan in the Danube Delta  Ms. Svetlana Stirbu, Danube Logistics SRL, Republic of Moldova  10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
11:45–12:00	Discussion	Moderator, presenters, secretariat and audience to further discuss the theme and answer questions; wrap-up by the moderator  Participants are encouraged to submit questions in advance of the seminar (to eceteia.conv@un.org) or during the seminar (through the chat)

# Session 5 – Scientific and technical cooperation and exchange of information

Moderator: Mr. Raphaël Gonzalez, Member of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation and of the preparatory group for the seminar

12:00-12:10	Introduction	Overview of the theme of scientific and technological cooperation and exchange of information, relevant provisions in the Convention, gaps in implementation and reported good practices  Moderator of Session 5
12:10-12:20	Good practice (transboundary)	Activities and exchanges taking place within the Czech-German-Polish working group  Mr. Pavel Danihelka, Occupational Safety Research Institute Prague, Czech Republic  Mr. Pavel Dobes, VSB-Technical University of Ostrava Faculty of Safety Engineering, Czech Republic  10-minute presentation
12:20-12:30	Good practice (transboundary)	Practices on implementation of a transboundary joint project within Interreg-IPA Cross-border Cooperation Programme Romania-Serbia  Representative from Romania  10-minute joint presentation
12:30-12:40	Good practice (transboundary)	Cooperation and exchange of information on industrial accident prevention, preparedness and response through the Interstate Council for Industrial Safety (ICIS)  Mr. Natik Seidakhmedov, Director of State Research Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, State Agency for Safe Work in Industry and Mining Supervision of the Ministry of Emergency Situations, Azerbaijan; and the Secretary of the ICIS  10-minute presentation
12:40-13:00	Discussion	Q&A for the above three presentations; moderator, presenters, secretariat and audience to further discuss the theme; wrap-up by the moderator  Participants are encouraged to submit questions in advance of the seminar (to eceteia.conv@un.org) or during the seminar (through the chat)



## Day 2 afternoon: 4 February 2022, 15:00 to 17:00 CET

## Session 6 – Information to and participation of the public

Moderator: Ms. Nicolette Bouman, Member of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation and Chair of the preparatory group for the seminar

15:00-15:10	Introduction	Overview of the theme on information to and participation of the public, relevant provisions in the Convention, gaps in implementation and reported good practices Moderator of Session 6
15:10-15:15	Poll	Moderator to invite participants to complete a poll on policies and procedures in their countries regarding information to the public and public participation in decision-making procedures, including for the public of neighbouring countries; the results to be covered in the discussion of this session  Moderator of Session 6
15:15–15:30	Good practice (transboundary)	The Netherlands to present on the <u>Risicokaart tool</u> , including with discussion on how this tool informs people in neigbouring countries and provides information on hazardous installations that are capable of causing transboundary effects
		Ms. Rianne Dobbelsteen, Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management 10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
15:30–15:45	Good practice (transboundary)	Portugal's <u>Participa web platform</u> , including with discussion on how this platform makes public participation more accessible
		Mr. Augusto Serrano and Mr. Roberto Valadares, Portuguese Environment Agency, Portugal
		10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
15:45-16:00	Good practice	Austria to present its practice of informing the public in the framework of the Convention Representative from Austria (tbd)
		10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
16:00–16:15	Good practice	Participation of the public in preparing external emergency plans
		Ms. Vesna Salamunovic, Ministry of the Interior, Croatia  10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A
16:15–16:30	Discussion	Moderator, presenters, secretariat and audience to discuss the poll results and key challenges under this theme and to answer questions; wrap-up by the moderator
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16:30-16:55	Summary	Outcomes of the seminar and ways forward
		Ms. Nicolette Bouman, Chair of the preparatory group for the seminar, member of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation
16:55-17:00	Closing	Concluding remarks
		Ms. Helena Fridh, Chair of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation, and UNECE Secretariat

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