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### United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Steering Committee on Education for Sustainable Development

#### Special session

Nicosia, 4 October 2022

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

#### Opening of the special session and adoption of the agenda

### Annotated provisional agenda for the special session\*

To be held at the Filoxenia Conference Centre, Nicosia, starting at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, 4 October 2022

## I. Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the special session and adoption of the agenda.
2. Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries:
  - (a) Official documents and outcome of the Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries – Draft Ministerial Statement;
  - (b) Agenda of the Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries.
3. Agenda of the High-level Meeting of the Ministers for Education on Education for Sustainable Development.
4. Side events to be organized in the framework of the Ninth Environment for Europe Ministerial Conference.
5. Publications on education for sustainable development prepared and published by the Steering Committee in 2022.
6. Other business.
7. Closure of the special session.

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## **II. Annotations to the provisional agenda**

### **1. Opening of the special session and adoption of the agenda**

*Timing: Tuesday, 4 October, 3–3.10 p.m.*

1. The Chair of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) Steering Committee on Education for Sustainable Development will open the special session. The Committee will then be invited to adopt its agenda as set out in the present document (ECE/CEP/AC.13/S/2022/1).

### **2. Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries**

2. The Steering Committee will be updated on the process of preparation, expected outcomes and agenda of the Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries, to be held in Nicosia, on 5 October 2022.

#### **(a) Official documents and outcome of the Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries – Draft Ministerial Statement**

*Timing: Tuesday, 4 October, 3.10–4.10 p.m.*

3. The Steering Committee will be updated on the official documents prepared for consideration at the Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries, including the Framework for the implementation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development from 2021 to 2030 (ECE/CEP/AC.13/2022/3) and the draft Ministerial Statement (ECE/CEP/AC.13/2022/7) of the Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries to be held in Nicosia on 5 October 2022 in the framework of the Ninth Environment for Europe Ministerial Conference (Nicosia, 5–7 October 2022).

4. The Chair will brief the Steering Committee on the process of drafting the Framework and the Ministerial Statement to be adopted at the High-level Meeting. The Steering Committee considered the draft Ministerial Statement at its seventeenth meeting (Geneva, 30–31 May 2022). After the deadline for possible comments of 20 June 2022 had passed, the draft Ministerial Statement was submitted to the Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries in the framework of the Ninth Environment for Europe Ministerial Conference.

5. The Steering Committee will be informed about the status of other documents of the Ninth Environment for Europe Ministerial Conference.

#### **(b) Agenda of the Third High-level Meeting of Education and Environment Ministries**

*Timing: Tuesday, 4 October, 4.10–4.40 p.m.*

6. The Steering Committee will be informed in detail about the agenda of the High-level Meeting. It will also be informed that the Steering Committee may consider any last-minute organizational issues related to the meeting agenda and the organization of work that might arise.

### **3. Agenda of the High-level Meeting of the Ministers for Education on Education for Sustainable Development**

*Timing: Tuesday, 4 October, 4.40–5.20 p.m.*

7. The Steering Committee will be informed in detail about the agenda of the High-level Meeting of the Ministers for Education, to be held on 6 October 2022 at the Filoxenia Conference Centre, Nicosia.

8. The Steering Committee will be invited to adopt the agenda of the High-level Meeting of the Ministers for Education on Education for Sustainable Development as set out in the document entitled High-level Meeting of Ministers for Education on Education for Sustainable Development: Concept note.<sup>1</sup>

#### **4. Side events to be organized in the framework of the Ninth Environment for Europe Ministerial Conference**

*Timing: Tuesday, 4 October, 5.20–5.30 p.m.*

9. The Steering Committee will be updated about the side events to be organized in the framework of the Ministerial Conference.

#### **5. Publications on education for sustainable development prepared and published by the Steering Committee in 2022**

*Timing: Tuesday, 4 October, 5.30–5.40 p.m.*

10. The Steering Committee will be updated about the two publications published by the Committee in 2022:

- Implementation of the UNECE Strategy for ESD across the ECE Region (2015–2018) (ECE/CEP/196)
- Engaging young people in the implementation of ESD in the UNECE Region: Good practices in the engagement of youth in Education for Sustainable Development (ECE/CEP/197)

#### **6. Other business**

*Timing: Tuesday, 4 October, 5.40–5.50 p.m.*

11. The Steering Committee will be invited to discuss any other business that might be brought to its attention. Delegations wishing to propose items are invited to inform the secretariat as soon as possible.

#### **7. Closure of the special session**

*Timing: Tuesday, 4 October, 5.50–6 p.m.*

12. Following some concluding remarks, the Chair will officially close the special session.

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<sup>1</sup> Available under tabs “Thursday, October 6th” and “High-level Meeting of Ministers for Education on ESD”, at <https://nicosiaefe.gov.cy/preliminary-agenda-3/>.