Agenda item 9:
Road map for action to strengthen Mine Tailings Safety within and beyond the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

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Geneva, Switzerland and online, 29 November-1 December 2022
ROAD MAP FOR ACTION TO STRENGTHEN MINE TAILINGS SAFETY WITHIN AND BEYOND THE UNECE REGION

(Torill Tandberg, Chair to the Conference of the Parties)
BACKGROUND

TMF-Seminar 2020

Bureau was requested to make an orientation paper to COP-12

Prepared by a small group and the secretariat
MAIN PURPOSE OF THE ROADMAP

1. Define key objective to strengthen Mine Tailings Safety based on the 2020/1 decision.

2. Provide direction, actions and priorities for Parties and MS within the ECE-region and beyond.

3. Highlight the activities that the EEC secretariat to the Convention could conduct to support Parties and other ECE MS and cooperation with other international organization.
ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

• Parties
• National Government Authorities
• Involvement of local authorities
• ECE secretariat
• International organizations
FIVE KEY OBJECTIVES

A. Understanding tailings management facility-related risks within and across national borders
B. Addressing tailing management facility risks through policy and governance
C. Prevention and preparedness for accidental water pollution from tailing management facilities to ensure water quality
D. Prevention of natural hazard-triggered industrial accidents (Natech events) and adoption top climate change
E. Exchange of information and knowledge and capacity-building
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**2023–2024**
- Advanced understanding
- Existing working groups and national coordination mechanism
- Report on TMFs as part of the hazardous activities (10th reporting round)

**2025–2026**
- Prepare overview of TMFs in the ECE-region
- Possibly existing hazards, risks and hotspots
- Joint understanding and governance of the risks among countries
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!