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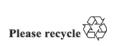
Nineteenth session

Geneva, 27–28 October 2021 Item 1 of the provisional agenda **Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda**

Annotated provisional agenda for the nineteenth session* **

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^{*} The nineteenth session of the Steering Committee will be held at Palais des Nations in Geneva and online. Information on registration will be available at the following address https://thepep.unece.org/events/nineteenth-session-steering-committee-transport-health-and-environment-pan-european. For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of the documents mentioned in this provisional agenda to the meeting. documents for the meetings may be downloaded from this website https://thepep.unece.org/events/nineteenth-session-steering-committee-transport-health-and-environment-pan-european.

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II. Annotations

1. Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda

The Steering Committee of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) is expected to adopt the agenda of its nineteenth session as prepared by secretariat, comprising the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) and the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe (WHO/Europe), in consultation with the Bureau of the Steering Committee.

Documentation

Draft provisional agenda for the nineteenth session (ECE/AC.21/SC/2021/1-EUCHP2018924/4.1/1)

2. Election of officers

In accordance with its rules of procedure, the Committee elects a Chair and one or more Vice-Chairs, as needed. The Chair rotates on a yearly basis between representatives of the transport, health and environment sectors. The Chair of the Committee's nineteenth session will represent the health sector, the two Vice-Chairs elected will be the Committee's incoming Chair (i.e., for the twentieth session) and the outgoing Chair from the previous regular session (i.e., the eighteenth session).

The Committee will review the composition of its Bureau (see annex) and consider electing new members.

3. Outcome of the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment and adoption of the report

The Fifth High-Level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment was held on 17 and 18 May 2021 in a virtual format, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. It was hosted by the Government of Austria.

The host country will be invited to present the outcomes of the event.

The Committee is expected to adopt the report of the Fifth High-level Meeting and of the special session of the Steering Committee (online, 17 and 18 May 2021), prepared by the secretariat.

Documentation

Report of the High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (ECE/AC.21/2021/2-EUCHP2018924/4.3.2/;

ECE/AC.21/2021/2/Add.1-EUCHP2018924/4.3.2/Add.1)

4. Planning the implementation of the Vienna Declaration

(a) Strategy on transport, health and the environment

At the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment member States agreed to develop a comprehensive pan-European strategy on transport, health and the environment, including a clear pathway for its implementation, to achieve the agreed vision and guide the further work of THE PEP, for adoption in 2023.

The Steering Committee will discuss the outline of the Strategy prepared by the secretariat and decide on the next steps for the development of a comprehensive document.

Documentation

Outline of the Strategy on Transport, Health and Environment (informal document N° 1)

(b) Options for possible legal instruments

The Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment decided "to establish an ad hoc working group to analyse different legal options to give effect to our vision and strategy, and elaborate draft proposals for possible legal instruments and present them for consideration by the Steering Committee, which will agree on a proposal for adoption at the Sixth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment".

The Steering Committee will be invited to discuss the outline document prepared by the secretariat and decide on establishing an ad hoc working group to elaborate further on possible legal options.

Documentation

Review of the possible options for legal instruments (informal document N° 2)

(c) Communication activities

The Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment decided to elaborate a communication strategy to raise awareness of opportunities for and benefits of sustainable and healthy transport and disseminate the results of THE PEP.

The Steering Committee will review the outline document and discuss the next steps for the development of the comprehensive Communication Strategy.

Documentation

Outline of the Communication Strategy (informal document N° 3)

(d) Planning the implementation of the workplan for 2021-2025

Members of the Steering Committee might wish to discuss how to proceed with the mandate of the Vienna declaration to "to develop further and monitor the workplan's implementation through the Steering Committee".

Documentation

Workplan for 2021–2025 (ECE/AC.21/2021/2/Add.1-EUCHP2018924/4.3.2/Add.1)

5. Preparation of an event on the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme

At the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment, the representative of France announced that the French Government wishes to host a meeting in Paris in 2022 to take stock of progress on the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of THE PEP.

The delegation of France will be invited to inform the Committee about the planned event. The Committee will discuss how to provide support for the preparation of the event, including the programme, documentations and expected outcomes.

6. Implementation of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme

(a) Financial matters

The secretariat will inform the Committee about the use of funds in 2021 and provide an outlook for planned expenditures in 2022 based on the programme of work. Delegations may wish to pledge contributions, in cash or in kind, to support the implementation of THE PEP activities.

Documentation

Status of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme Trust Fund (ECE/AC.21/SC/2021/4–EUCHP2018924/4.1/4)

(b) Programme of work for 2021-2022

The Steering Committee will discuss a programme of work, showing work accomplished over the previous year and through its implementation mechanisms and expected outputs for the forthcoming year.

The Committee will be invited to review activities completed in 2021 and to adopt its programme of work for 2021–2022.

Documentation

Programme of work for 2021–2022 (ECE/AC.21/SC/2021/3–EUCHP2018924/4.1/3)

(c) Implementation mechanisms of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme

The Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment established the new THE PEP Partnerships, including the Partnership on sustainable tourism mobility and Partnership on child- and youth-friendly mobility.

The Steering Committee will discuss and consider the activities planned for the implementation of the existing and the new Partnerships. The Committee may wish to discuss various events and activities held or planned in 2021–2022 under other implementation mechanisms.

Documentation

Partnership descriptions requesting establishment of THE PEP Partnerships by the Steering Committee (informal document N° 4)

(d) Monitoring the implementation of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme

At its eighteenth session, the Steering Committee decided to continue with the questionnaire-based reporting, but on a biannual basis. The Committee mandated the secretariat to update the questionnaire after the Fifth High-level Meeting, with the aim of integrating new elements to be introduced by the Vienna Declaration.

The Steering Committee may wish to brainstorm on the structure and the content of the questionnaire.

In addition, the delegations will be invited to share information on the progress achieved at the national level in implementing THE PEP in a tour de table.

Documentation

Information note to steer discussion on the new draft for a questionnaire (informal document N° 5)

7. Strengthening synergies with other international processes and organizations

The Committee will be informed about collaboration between THE PEP and related international processes with a view to strengthening synergies. The Committee may wish to discuss ways to promote THE PEP as a model for other regions and to strengthen collaboration with international organizations and processes.

8. Other business

The 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.

9. Dates and venues of the next session of the Committee and of the next Bureau meetings

The Steering Committee might wish to consider the timeline for the next meetings: the date of the twentieth session of the Steering Committee, as well as the dates and venues of the next Bureau meetings.

Annex

Composition of the Bureau

The current composition of the Bureau is as set out below.

Health sector

- Mr. Mihail Kochubovski (North Macedonia)
- Ms. Vigdis Ronning (Norway) Vice-Chair

Transport sector

- Mr. Vadim Donchenko (Russian Federation) Vice-Chair
- Mr. Elois Divol (France)
- Mr. Matthias Rinderknecht (Switzerland)

Environment sector

- Ms. Biljana Filipovic (Serbia)
- Ms. Nino Tkhilava (Georgia)
- Mr. Robert Thaler (Austria) Chair
- Mr. Mario Fruianu (Netherlands).