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Managing THE PEP: programme of work for 2012-13

Programme of work for 2012–2013

Note by the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme secretariat

Summary

At its eleventh meeting (Geneva, 23 October 2009), the Bureau of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) Steering Committee requested the secretariat to prepare each year a detailed programme of work, showing work accomplished over the previous year and expected outputs for the forthcoming year. A draft programme of work for 2012–2013 was considered by THE PEP Steering Committee Bureau at its seventeenth meeting in Copenhagen in July 2012. The Committee is invited to review activities carried out in 2012 and to endorse planned activities for 2013.



¹ Reports of the Bureau of THE PEP Steering Committee are available at http://live.unece.org/index.php?id=2506.

I. Introduction

- 1. The Third High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (Amsterdam, 22–23 January 2009) adopted the Amsterdam Declaration, including the workplan for the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) for 2009–2014 (ECE/AC.21/2009/2–EUR/09/5086385/2, annex II). The workplan is based upon four priority goals, enshrined in the Amsterdam Declaration, which commit the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) and the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe (WHO/Europe) member States to pursue integrated policies aimed at achieving safe, efficient, environment- and health-friendly transport.
- 2. THE PEP programme of work, covering the period between the Third and Fourth High-level Meetings, is subdivided into six chapters addressing a range of activities to be pursued up until 2014. The Committee may wish to review the work carried out in 2012, endorse the planned activities for 2013 and provide guidance for their implementation.

II. THE PEP programme of work for 2012–2013

	THE PEP activity	Host/lead country/organization	Date(s)	
(a)	Develop a platform to attract and support investments in environment- and health-friendly transport			
	Preparation for the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment, including follow- up to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (Rio+20 Conference)	Steering Committee and THE PEP secretariat	2012–2013	
(b) Build capacity for better integration of transport, health and environment policy				
	Relay race 4: Regional workshop on sustainable development of urban transport: challenges and opportunities (completed)	Moscow	7–8 June 2012	
	Relay race 5: Active mobility in harsh meteorological conditions (under discussion)	Awaiting proposals	2013	
	Further pilot testing and development of Health Economic Assessment Tool (HEAT) for walking and cycling (in progress)	THE PEP secretariat ,the European network for the promotion of health-enhancing physical activity (HEPA Europe) and the European Commission (promoting networking and action on healthy and equitable environments for physical activity (PHAN) project)	2013	
	Development of publication on economic scope of green and healthy jobs in transport (in progress)	THE PEP secretariat and THE PEP Partnership	2012–2013	
(c) Share and disseminate good practice in environment- and health-friendly transport				
	THE PEP Communication Strategy and advocacy kit to support focal points (completed)	THE PEP secretariat	2012	

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	Revision of THE PEP brochure and other communication materials in preparation for the Fourth High-level Meeting	THE PEP secretariat/lead countries	2013
	Outreach to schools and local communities to share experience in environment- and health-friendly urban transport (e.g., the Walking School Bus, THE PEP Prize, photography, film and/or art competitions) in the run-up to the Fourth High-level Meeting (in progress)	THE PEP secretariat/interested countries	2013
	THE PEP Toolbox: further enrichment with more supportive tools	THE PEP secretariat and lead countries	2012–2013
	THE PEP Clearing House:	THE PEP secretariat	
	(i) Modification in concept of uploading and maintenance of data and information (in progress)	Dedicated consultant	2012–2013
	(ii) Revitalization of Clearing House as centre of information exchange in preparation for the Fourth High-level Meeting (in progress)	Dedicated consultant and THE PEP secretariat	2013
(d)	Facilitate the implementation of activities at the local	, national and regional levels	
	Publish manual to assist member States in the preparation of National Transport, Health and Environment Action Plans (NTHEAPs) (in progress)	THE PEP secretariat	2012–2013
	Provide technical assistance to member States, if requested, in developing national action plans through THE PEP Partnership	Beneficiary country and supporting countries (to be identified)	2013
	Develop, through a questionnaire, an inventory of regulations and practices in signs and signalling for cyclists and pedestrians (in progress)	France (CERTU)	2012–2013
(e)	Support international advocacy and cooperation projects to promote best practice and an integrated approach to policymaking in transport, health and environment		
	Project development under THE PEP Partnership	THE PEP secretariat/THE PEP Steering Committee Bureau	2012–2013
	Develop proposal with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) for advocacy and public campaigns on sustainable mobility, making use of UNEP links with municipalities and local non- governmental organizations in South-Eastern Europe and other subregions	THE PEP secretariat/UNEP	2012–2013
	Explore potential of THE PEP as a model for other regions for sharing experience and good practice, beginning with the Mediterranean	THE PEP secretariat/World Bank	2013

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Strengthen collaboration with the European Commission, international financial institutions (IFIs and other international processes (e.g., the European Environment and Health Process), non-governmental organizations and the private sector, to achieve THE PEP priority goals (in progress)		2012–2013
(f) Enhance monitoring and reporting mechanisms for implementation		
Development of a framework and questionnaire to regularly monitor the implementation of the Amsterdam Goals (completed)	Bureau of the THE PEP Steering Committee and THE PEP secretariat	2012
Produce a regional overview of THE PEP implementation, based on the questionnaire, for consideration by the Steering Committee (in progress	THE PEP secretariat	2012–2013

III. Statutory THE PEP meetings 2012–2013

THE PEP body (status)	Date and location
Steering Committee Bureau, sixteenth meeting (completed)	9 March 2012 (Paris)
Steering Committee Bureau, seventeenth meeting (completed)	9–10 July 2012 (Copenhagen)
Steering Committee, tenth session	15 November 2012, Geneva (WHO headquarters)
Steering Committee Bureau, eighteenth meeting	16 November 2012, Geneva (WHO headquarters)
Steering Committee, eleventh session	28 November 2013, Geneva (Palais des Nations)
Steering Committee, Extended Bureau (first preparatory meeting for the Fourth High-level Meeting)	29 November 2013, Geneva (Palais des Nations)