



## TASK FORCE ON TARGET SETTING AND REPORTING UNDER THE PROTOCOL ON WATER AND HEALTH

**13<sup>th</sup> MEETING**  
**(Geneva, 14 November 2023, afternoon)**

### BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES

The 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting under the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) – World Health Organization (WHO) Regional Office for Europe Protocol on Water and Health will take place in the afternoon of 14 November 2023 (3 to 6 p.m. CET). The meeting will be held in room VII of the Palais des Nations, Geneva, and via Zoom.

The working languages will be English, French and Russian. All relevant documentation for the meeting will be available at the following link: [Thirteenth meeting of the Task Force on Target-Setting and Reporting | UNECE](#).

The Task Force meeting will be held back-to-back with the [Strategic Roundtable on Increasing Resilience to Climate Change in the Water and Sanitation Sector under the Protocol](#) (Geneva, 13-14 (a.m.) November 2023).

The main objectives of the meeting are to:

- Discuss the work programme of the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting for 2023-2025;
- Reflect on the outcomes of the Strategic Roundtable on Increasing Resilience to Climate Change in the Water and Sanitation Sector and to discuss how the strategic priorities identified can be reflected in target-setting under the Protocol;
- Review progress by Parties and other States in setting, revising and implementing their targets, in accordance with article 6 of the Protocol;
- Discuss the progress with development of the online reporting system under the Protocol that should be deployed for the 6<sup>th</sup> reporting cycle in 2024-2025;
- Review progress with the implementation of the water-, sanitation- and hygiene-related targets of the Sustainable Development Goals.

### PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**Tuesday, 14 November 2023**

#### **I. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda (3-3.10 p.m.)**

1. The Chair of the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting will open the meeting and welcome the participants. The Chair will also invite the Task Force to adopt its agenda as set out in the present document.

#### **II. Programme of work of the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting for 2023-2025 (3.10-3.25 p.m.)**

2. The Chair will present the planned work under the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting in 2023-2025. The Task Force will be invited to discuss the proposed activities as well as the resources needed for their implementation and to agree on the work to be undertaken in this triennium.

**III. Reflecting on the outcomes of the Strategic Roundtable on Increasing Resilience to Climate Change in the Water and Sanitation Sector (3.25 – 4 p.m.)**

3. The Task Force will be invited to reflect on the outcomes of the Strategic Roundtable on Increasing Resilience to Climate Change in the Water and Sanitation Sector. Based on the presentation of the strategic priorities identified at the Roundtable, the Task Force will discuss the ways and means to integrate these in other work of the Protocol, such as in climate-sensitive target setting and in the reporting under the Protocol.

**IV. Review of the general progress in setting and/or revising and implementing targets under the Protocol on Water and Health (4 – 5 p.m.)**

4. Delegates will be invited to report on the progress made in 2023 in setting and/or revising targets under the Protocol. Delegates will be invited to focus specifically on any significant achievements in implementing their targets and the related impact at national level as well as on the financing mechanisms for implementing the targets.

**V. Reporting under the Protocol on Water and Health: progress with developing the online reporting system (5 – 5.20 p.m.)**

5. The Task Force will be updated on the progress and features of the new version of the online reporting system currently being developed under the Protocol.

**VI. Progress with the implementation of the water, sanitation and hygiene-related targets of the Sustainable Development Goals (5.20 – 5.50 p.m.)**

6. The Task Force will be informed about the outcomes of the UN 2023 Water Conference (New York, 22-24 March 2023), in particular regarding the Protocol involvement and the Protocol-related voluntary commitments submitted to the Water Action Agenda. The Task Force will also be updated on the recent global and regional developments in the area of water, sanitation, hygiene and health, in particular with regard to the relevant SDG indicators.

**VII. Other business (5.50–5.55 p.m.)**

7. Participants wishing to propose points under this item are requested to inform the secretariat as soon as possible.

**VIII. Closing of the meeting (5.55–6 p.m.)**

8. The Task Force will tentatively agree on the date, format and venue of its next meeting.

9. The Chair will summarize key outcomes of the discussion and close the meeting at 6 p.m.