Economic Commission for Europe

Committee on Environmental Policy

Expert Group on Environmental Performance Reviews

Thirty-seventh session

Geneva, 9 – 10 October 2023

Annotated provisional agenda for the thirty-seventh session

To be held in Salle VIII, Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 9 October 2023, until 6 p.m. Tuesday, 10 October 2023

I. Provisional Agenda

- 1. Adoption of the agenda
- 2. Review of the Environmental Performance Review of Mauritania
- 3. Third Environmental Performance Review of Kyrgyzstan
- 4. Designation of rapporteurs
- 5. Activities under the Environmental Performance Review Programme
- 6. Other business

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Expert Group will be invited to adopt the agenda for its thirty-seventh session as contained in the present document.

2. Review of the Environmental Performance Review of Mauritania

The draft report of the Environmental Performance Review (EPR) of Mauritania was circulated to meeting participants on 5 September 2023. Participants are invited to submit their proposals and comments on the draft recommendations by 28 September 2023 by email (info.epr@un.org). The secretariat will consolidate the written proposals for modifications and circulate them among the participants.

(a) Self introduction

Participants will briefly introduce themselves.

(b) <u>Introductory remarks by the Chair</u>

The Chair will introduce the procedure and rules under which the review will proceed.

(c) <u>Discussion of individual chapters</u>

Individual chapters will be discussed in the order and timeframe outlined in part III of this agenda.

This slot of time will be organized in the following way:

- Brief introduction (based on the "assessment, conclusions and recommendations" section) to the chapter by the reviewer: **up to 3 minutes.**
- Discussion on the draft recommendations by participants: up to 25 minutes.

Recommendations will be discussed in the order that they appear in the respective chapter in the report.

(d) Concluding remarks

The Chair will make concluding remarks.

3. Third Environmental Performance Review of Kyrgyzstan

The Expert Group will be invited to consider developments regarding the Third EPR of Kyrgyzstan with a view to submit the EPR recommendations to the 28th session of the Committee on Environmental Policy for adoption.

4. Designation of rapporteurs

The Expert Group will be invited to designate rapporteur(s) to report to the Committee on Environmental Policy, at its twenty-eighth session, on the Third EPR of Kyrgyzstan and on the results of the review of the EPR of Mauritania.

5. Activities under the Environmental Performance Review Programme

The secretariat will provide additional information about activities carried out since June 2023 under the EPR Programme.

6. Other business

The Expert Group will be invited to discuss any other business that might be brought to its attention. Experts wishing to propose items are invited to inform the secretariat as soon as possible.

III. Organization of work

Date	Item(s) of the agenda
Monday, 9 October 2023	
10:00 - 10:05	Item 1
	EPR of Mauritania
10:05 - 10:15	Items 2(a)-(b)
10:15 - 13:00	Item 2(c)
	Chapter 1: Legal, policy and institutional framework
	Chapter 2: Regulatory and compliance assurance mechanisms
	Chapter 3: Greening the economy and financing environmental protection
	Chapter 4: Environmental monitoring and information
	Chapter 5: Public participation
	Chapter 6: Education for sustainable development
13:00 - 15:00	Lunch break
15:00 – 18:00	Chapter 7: Implementation of international environmental agreements and commitments
	Chapter 8: Climate change
	Chapter 9: Air protection
	Chapter 10: Water management
	Chapter 11: Waste and chemicals management
	Chapter 12: Biodiversity and protected areas
Tuesday, 10 October 2023	
10:00 - 13:00	Chapter 13: Agriculture and the environment
	Chapter 14: Fisheries, maritime economy and the environment
	Chapter 15: Industry, mining and the environment
	Chapter 16: Energy and the environment
	Chapter 17: Health and the environment
	Item 2(d)
13:00 - 15:00	Lunch break
15:00 - 18:00	Item 3
	Item 4
	Item 5
	Item 6