

Meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents (JEG)

Bratislava and online, 24 April 2024

Draft Agenda		
14:00 - 14:25	1. Opening of the meeting	
	 a) Welcome, objectives of the meeting and adoption of the agenda JEG co-Chairs b) Tour de table All participants 	
14:25- 15:15	2. Evaluation of and follow-up to the UNECE workshop and site visit on increasing capacities to prevent, prepare for and respond to accidental water pollution from tailings facilities	
	 a) Summary and key conclusions of the UNECE workshop Slovakian JEG member and JEG co-Chairs b) Impressions from the workshop and discussion of possible follow-up actions All JEG members and participants 	
15:15- 16:00	3. Update of the Guidelines on the Identification of Hazardous Activities under the (Industrial Accidents) Convention to cover more comprehensively the hazards and risks of tailings management facilities (TMF)	
	 a) Introduction to the background note and status of the consideration to update the Guidelines to cover more comprehensively the hazards and risks of TMFs <i>Joseph Orangias, UNECE</i> b) Feedback and discussion on the background note and recommendation <i>All JEG members and participants</i> <u>Background document:</u> Background note, <u>Guidelines</u> (decision 2018/1 in ECE/CP.TEIA/38/Add.1) 	
16:00- 16:30	Coffee break	
16:30- 17:00	4. Review of JEG activities in the biennium 2023–2024	
	 a) Overview and status of JEG activities in the previous/ongoing workplans of the Industrial Accidents and Water Conventions <i>Hanna Plotnykova, UNECE</i> b) Reporting on the implementation of the JEG activities to the 13th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Geneva, 27-29 November 2024) <i>JEG co-Chairs</i> 	
17:00- 18:00	5. Proposed JEG activities in the biennium 2025–2026	
	 a) Organization of the 2025 UNECE-UNDRR-WMO Global seminar on early warning and industrial accident notification systems <i>Joseph Orangias, UNECE</i> b) UNECE Road Map on Mine Tailings Safety and tailings projects in 2025-2026 <i>Claudia Kamke, UNECE</i> c) Possible JEG activities for inclusion in the next workplan of the Industrial Accidents and Water Conventions, including lead parties <i>JEG co-Chairs</i> d) Feedback and discussion on future JEG activities, including lead parties <i>All JEG members and participants</i> 	
18:00- 18:20	6. Any other (related) business	
	 a) 13th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Industrial Accidents Convention (Geneva, 27- 29 Nov. 2024), incl. special sessions on InSAR and Industrial Safety for the Energy Transition 	



	 Zhanar Faizuldayeva, UNECE b) ICOLD-CIGB 2024 – 92nd Annual Meeting (New Delhi, 29 September-3 October 2024), including Workshop on risk assessment embankment dams and Tailings Dams (29 September 2024) Annika Bjelkevik, ICOLD
18:20- 18:30	7. Closing of the meeting
	Wrap-up and summary of the decisions taken