

# **Update on outreach and communications**

# Eighth Environment for Europe Ministerial Conference: side-event on air quality



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## High-level segment on improving air quality



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## Side-event on SDG 3: Healthy lives



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# Communications

Environmental Policy

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Air Pollution

> The Air Convention and its Protocols

> Convention bodies

> Guidance documents and other methodological materials

Capacity building

Cross-sectoral linkages

Air pollution and health

Air pollution and food production

Air pollution, ecosystems and biodiversity

Air pollution and climate change

Air pollution and economic development

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## Air Pollution

### About Air Pollution

Air pollution has significant impacts on our health, environment and economy. Pollutants in the air we breathe come from multiple sources, including sectors such as industry, transport and agriculture. Every day, air pollution causes respiratory and cardiovascular diseases. It also damages vulnerable ecosystems and biodiversity and leads to a decrease in agricultural crop and commercial forest yields. It is therefore paramount that we take action together — across sectors and national boundaries.




### Our Focus

To improve air quality on the local, national and regional levels. UNECE member States have successfully to gradually reduce and prevent air pollution in the region. One of the achievements has been achieved is the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution (CLRTAP) of 1979. Over the years, it has been extended by eight protocols that identify specific measures for Parties to cut their emissions of air pollutants. Fifty-one UNECE member States are Parties to the Convention. Member States also formulate air pollution policies in the framework of the Environmental Policy.

### Key documents

Workplan 2016-2017 

Long-term strategy 

Rules of procedure 

### Events

Ozone Conference  
CIEMAT  
07 to 09 February  
MADRID, Spain