
Economic Commission for Europe

Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents

Thirteenth meeting

Geneva, 27–29 November 2024

Item 6 (c) of the provisional agenda

Implementation of the Convention: election of the members of the Working Group on Implementation for the period 2025–2028

Candidatures for election of members of the Convention's Working Group on Implementation

Note by the secretariat

Summary

At its thirteenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties will be invited to elect not more than 10 members of the Working Group on Implementation from among the candidates nominated by Parties, for a term to last until the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. In accordance with rule 23 of the rules of procedure, candidatures shall be communicated by the Parties to the secretariat at least eight weeks ahead of the meeting, i.e., by 2 October 2024. The secretariat shall communicate the list of candidates to the Parties at the latest six weeks before the meeting, i.e., by 16 October 2024. The present document contains the candidatures communicated by the Parties to the secretariat in line with the above.

Introduction

1. In accordance with the terms of reference of the Working Group on Implementation (ECE/CP.TEIA/32/Add.1), as amended by the Conference of the Parties at its ninth meeting (Ljubljana, 28–30 November 2016), the Working Group on Implementation under the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents shall be composed of not more than 10 members representing and nominated by Parties, with due consideration to the need for a balanced representation of the different geographical subregions of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and gender. They shall serve as members of the Working Group for one term of office and be eligible for re-election. A term of office commences at the end of an ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Parties and runs until its second ordinary meeting thereafter.

2. In accordance with rule 23 of the rules of procedure, as amended by the Conference of the Parties at its ninth meeting (ECE/CP.TEIA/37), candidatures shall be communicated by the Parties to the secretariat at least eight weeks ahead of the meeting. The secretariat shall communicate the list of candidates to the Parties at the latest six weeks before the meeting. Unless the Conference of the Parties decides otherwise, subsidiary bodies shall elect their own chair and, as required, vice-chairs at the commencement of their first meeting after the meeting of the Conference of the Parties or when at least one third of the Parties present at the meeting request it.

Candidatures

3. By 2 October 2024, the secretariat received the following communications by Parties nominating candidatures for election as members of the Working Group on Implementation at the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Geneva, 27–29 November 2024):¹

Party	Name	Affiliation
Austria	Mr. Rupert Bliem	National Coordinator eSPIRS, Department V/11 – Plant-related Environmental Protection, Environmental Assessment & Air Pollution Control, Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology
Belarus	Ms. Tatyana Logutova	Deputy Head of International Cooperation Unit of Ministry of Emergency Situations, Gospromnadzor
Belgium	Ms. Inge Leenders	Advisor for the Environment Department of Flanders
Kazakhstan	Mr. Serik Akhmetov	Deputy Director of the International Water Assessment Centre
Republic of Moldova	Mr. Vitalii Mutaf	Main Consultant of Pollution Prevention Policy Department, Ministry of Environment
Romania	Mr. Francisc Senzaconi	Head of the Disaster Risk Control Office from General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations, Ministry for Internal Affairs
Serbia	Ms. Sanja Stamenkovic	Senior Advisor, Department for Major Chemical Accident Protection, Ministry of Environmental Protection
Slovakia	Ms. Mária Šebestová	Senior Advisor for the Prevention of Major Industrial Accidents, Ministry of Environment
Sweden	Ms. Helena Fridh	Senior Executive Official, Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency
Switzerland	Mr. Raphaël Gonzalez	Scientific Advisor, Major Accident and Earthquake Mitigation Section, Federal Office for the Environment FOEN

¹ The list is presented in alphabetical order of the Parties which nominated candidates.