

Expected Outcomes of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Working Group

UNEA resolution 5/8: Science-Policy Panel to Contribute Further to the Sound Management of Chemicals and Waste and to Prevent Pollution

- Decided to convene, subject to the availability of resources, an ad hoc open-ended working group (OEWG) to **prepare proposals for the science-policy panel**, to begin work in 2022 with the ambition of completing it by the end of 2024
- Requested the Executive Director, upon completion of proposals prepared by the ad hoc open-ended working group, to **convene an intergovernmental meeting for the purpose of considering the establishment of a science-policy panel**

Proposed approach: Providing a **skeleton outline** for an outcome document containing the proposals to be developed by the OEWG for consideration at the intergovernmental meeting.

Skeleton Outline for Proposals

Working document UNEP/SPPCWP/OEWG.2/2:

“Skeleton outline for proposal for the establishment of a science-policy panel”

- Based on elements in UNEA resolution 5/8 and the outcome of OEWG 1
- Envisaged that the working group will work towards agreed text for the relevant sections

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OEWG 2 working documents

OEWG.2/3* Scope and objective, functions and operating principles

OEWG.2/4* Institutional arrangements and rules of procedure

OEWG.2/5* Relationships with relevant key stakeholders

OEWG.2/6* Work-related processes and procedures

Corresponding information documents

OEWG.2/INF/2: Background document on operating principles

OEWG.2/INF/3: Mapping of capacity-building activities in the chemicals, waste and pollution space

OEWG.2/INF/9: Summary and analysis of submissions received on needs and questions the panel may handle

OEWG.2/INF/4. Background document on institutional arrangements of existing science-policy interfaces

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Text suggestions for proposals to establish a science-policy panel (INF/10)

Elements of secretariat proposals (UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.2/INF/10)

A. Scope, objective and functions

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D. Evaluation of the operational effectiveness and impact of the panel

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Process for determining work programme, including prioritization (Add.2)

Procedures for the preparation and clearance of panel deliverables

Conflict of interest policy (Add.1)

Proposed Clustering of Contact Groups

Contact group 1: Scope, functions, operating principles and conflict of interest

Contact group 2: Institutional arrangements and relationships with key stakeholders

Contact group 3: Work-related processes and procedures of the panel: determining the work programme; identifying and engaging experts; review and adoption of reports and assessments

Contact group 4: Intersessional work and budget in advance of OEWG 3 and beyond