

MGFC and RF and UNEP meeting

Summary

2nd October 2023

Time: 4pm-5pm, Nairobi time

Agenda Points:

- **INC-3 presentation, Q&A (@Juan Pablo Celis Garcia)**
- **Update on NBS @Nasrudin Abdi**
- **Update on OEWG 2, Chemicals SPP**
- **Update on 10th Annual Subcommittee meeting**
- **Update on UNEA 6**
- **AOB**

Participants

- UNEP: Ulf Bjornholm, Isaiah Otieno, Aurora Cheung, Edwike Nyauncho, Maria Haanes, Melissa Ngilandala
- UNEP INC Secretariat: Juan Pablo Celis Garcia, Nasrudin Abdi
- Business and Industry: Nill
- Children and Youth: Nill
- Farmers: A.G. Kawamura...attempted to participate
- Indigenous Peoples and their Communities: Lena Yanina Estrada
- Local Authorities: Jean-Baptiste Buffet, Magash Naidoo
- NGO: Christopher CHIN, Djatougbe AZIAKA
- Scientific and Technological Community: Mohamed Aly, Stephen Stec
- Women: Dalia Fernanda Marquez Anez
- Workers and Trade Unions: Nill
- Africa: Ayman Cherkaoui made several attempts to participate and took part partially
- Asia and the Pacific: Nill
- Europe: Nill
- North America: Nill
- Latin America and the Caribbean: Nill
- West Asia: Nill

Summary of Minutes

1. INC-3 presentation, Q&A (@Juan Pablo Celis Garcia)

- INC-3 will take place from **13 to 19 November 2023** in **Nairobi, Kenya**.
- The registration deadline is **6 October 2023**, with up to 5 delegates per organization allowed to participate.
- A briefing for observers will be held with the INC Chair, UNEP's Executive Director, and the INC's Executive Secretary.
- There will be a dedicated room for observers, though this space will not host events and is for networking only. The exact location will be shared soon.
- **Side Events:** Notifications for side events will be sent out shortly.
- Observers will be able to make interventions at the chair's discretion. The MG system will not be utilized for this purpose.
- **Preparation for INC-4:**
 - It is recommended to register as soon as the platform opens and apply for visas as early as possible.
 - Ensure that the correct documentation is uploaded to avoid delays in registration.
 - Stay updated for any travel support opportunities provided by the INC Secretariat.
 - Observers must be accredited to UNEP, ECOSOC, or an MEA.

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2. Update on NBS @Nasrudin Abdi

- The NBS meeting will be held from 9 to 13 October 2023, consisting of both regional and global consultations.
- The NBS Secretariat has shared the meeting agenda with member states and stakeholders, with 104 stakeholders approved.
- The Secretariat requested Laetitia to facilitate MG participation, and 18 participants from MGs have been selected.
- Co-chairs will prepare a summary paper on the process to be presented at UNEA.
- **Request from Stephen:** Asked for the list of approved stakeholders. Nasrudin confirmed that the list can be made available for MGs to understand the participants under the MG system.
- More information on the meeting can be found [here](#).

3. Update on OEWG 2, Chemicals SPP by Nasrudin Abdi

- The OEWG 2 meeting will be held from 11 to 15 December 2023.
- Informal, regional, and stakeholder consultations will occur on **9 to 10 December 2023**.
- Informal consultations and webinars were held in preparation.
- The Secretariat will fund several stakeholders and support regional consultations.
- Nominations for OEWG 2 are ongoing, with the deadline being 10 October 2023.
- A webinar was held with stakeholders, and a task force has been formed. If anyone is interested in joining, they can contact Mohammed.
- Dalia asked whether regional meetings could be followed online and whether travel support for

regional meetings is available. Laetitia confirmed that all RCMs will be hybrid, and LAC representatives from MGFC will receive travel support for RCMs.

4. Update on 10th Annual Subcommittee meeting by Ulf Bjornholm from CSU

- The 10th Annual Subcommittee meeting will take place from 20 to 24 November 2023 in Nairobi.
- There will be a review on UNEP's work and the implementation of resolutions, including UNEP Reform at the country level.
- There is limited funding for MG participation, with 9 MGFC members (one per MG) eligible for funding.
- **Co-chairs** of MGFC will facilitate nominations. Co-chairs of each MG must consult among themselves and provide the name that is nominated to the Co-chairs of MGFC.

5. Update on UNEA 6 by Ulf Bjornholm from CSU

→ UNEA 6 Preparations:

- The theme for UNEA 6 has been agreed upon.
- The first version of the Ministerial Declaration is available, with the second version expected soon.
- Expected resolutions will come from Africa, USA, and other countries.
- Registration for UNEA 6 is open.
- The agenda structure has been endorsed by the Bureau.
- The Executive Director will present her report at UNEA 6.

→ Global Stakeholder Consultation:

- Patrizia provided an update on logistics for stakeholder consultations for UNEA 6, based on her previous experience.
- More information will be shared in the coming days.
- For any questions, contact Patrizia.

6. A.O.B. (Any Other Business)

- **Second Telecall Segment:** This was for MG members only and was chaired by Dalia, who had internet connection issues. Mohamed assisted with this part of the agenda.
- The main discussion was on **internal organization** and updating the **MGFC engagement guidelines**.
 - A drafting team of 3 people will be formed to develop guidelines for handling missed calls and updating new members. Duncan volunteered, and two others expressed interest.
 - A second drafting team of 2 people will be created to write a letter to the Executive Director to follow up on the process of appointing a new Head of CSU before UNEA 6. Arthur Kawamura is part of this team.