

MGFC and RF and UNEP meeting

Summary

5 May 2025

Time: 9:30 am, Nairobi time

Agenda Points:

- **Update about the OEWG 3.2 (UNEP)**
- **Feedback from MGF Webinar for a Major Groups engagement modalities in SPP chemicals**
- **Updates on INC plastic**
- **Election updates**
- **GoF Updates**
- **SRM Consultative Workshop & Science-Policy Dialogue- extended deadline to register and nominate by 8th April 2025 – Laetitia**
- **Annual reports from Co-chairs – reminder**
- **Potential high-level youth segment (YEA) to be held over the weekend of the GMGSF**
- **AOB**

Participants

- **UNEP:** Laetitia Zobel, Isaiah Otieno, Edwike Nyauncho, John Bernard, Maria Aarre Haanes, Zhenwen Wu, Zuhair Ahmed, Peter Kirongothi, David Ombisi, Rubies Kyama Kwaila, Kennedy Wangari
- **Business and Industry:** Nill
- **Children and Youth:** Clive Donnley
- **Farmers:** AG Kawamura, Paul Temple
- **Indigenous Peoples and their Communities:** Prem Singh Tharu
- **Local Authorities:** Jean-Baptiste Buffet
- **NGO:** Christopher Chin
- **Scientific and Technological Community:** Stephen Stec, Mohamed
- **Women:** Dalia Marquez, Tess Gitau
- **Workers and Trade Unions:** Nill
- **Africa:** David Munene, Nfatou Ndiaye
- **Asia and the Pacific:** Chinkie Pelino Golle
- **Europe:** Oksana Volosko-Demkiv
- **North America:** Kelly Sheridan, Prof. Medani P. Bhandari
- **Latin America and the Caribbean:** Alejandro Luque
- **West Asia:** Marie-Therese Merhej Seif

Summary of Minutes

1. Update about the OEWG 3.2 (UNEP)

Laetitia - all registered participants should receive regular communications

- Updates are also provided on the meeting website OEWG 3.2
- June 13 - reserved for major groups and youth preparations
- Will check with the secretariat on the rooms for the major groups but there might be only one room for the preparatory meetings
- All comments to the meeting documents can only be submitted until 15th of May
- Logistics - the secretariat is yet to approve the to be funded participants, secretariat will decide next week
- only 1 per UNEP major group that will receive the funding support
- we are asked to review the list of those who applied for funding support that is over 100
- UNEP will fund 14-15 participants, and decision will be made next week
- limited interest from other major groups to attend the OEWG

Laetitia - youth is also planning a webinar in preparation of the OEWG 3.2. - on 27 May- an invitation will be sent out in due course. Aseel from CYMG is leading this event.

2. Feedback from MGF Webinar for a Major Groups engagement modalities in SPP chemicals (All)

- Chinkie provided updates on some key discussions during the webinar
- Ajay - raised the concern that regional facilitators were not originally included in the list of those who will deliver statement
- The discussion was good and suggested that the organizers' committee come up with a 2-pager summary on the results of the webinar
- Laetitia - suggested to reach out to the co-chairs, Camilla and Mohamed, MGFC
- Medani suggested circulating the notes from the meeting.

3. Updates on INC plastic (All)

- Clive Donnley - CYMG conducted a consultation. Currently working to secure a venue to conduct youth and children assembly and continuing internal consultations to finalize the plan
- Alejandro Luque - in LAC region, discussing priorities for the negotiations with several members of the region
- A.G. Kawamura - Farmers Group - the group is meeting to prepare an intervention statement
- Prem Singh Tharu - during the permanent forum, IP delegates called for updates on the INC developments and outcomes. They will conduct consultation internally...
- Dahlia MG have election results
- Plans to have an apathy building session ahead of INC
- Laetitia-Suggest if Stephen can Chair the session
- Zuhair-Shares basic info on INC
- the INC will discuss the chair's text, and this can be found on the webpage
- Registration deadline ends on June 6th
- INC has broader participation, and the travel support deadline was closed yesterday.
- Medani-Inquires if the registration link can be shared

- Stephen
- Laetitia-Indigenous people had shared a letter of protest by Indigenous people, In the previous INC Indigenous people allied for their engagement and allowance to speak
- Called for a participation of indigenous people as reflected in the Permanent forum
- Prem-Still awaits feedback on the same and thanks to the info provided.

4. Election updates

- Isaiah-Teresia Gitau alongside Dahlia is the new WMG Co-facilitatorss
- Tess-Happy to contribute to the process
- Farmers MG elections coming to an end soon
- Business and Industry work is still in progress to finalize elections

5. GoF Updates

- Maria-GOF the net meeting will be next month, and elections will be conducted soon
- Any other MG that has not elected a rep should do so.
- David-UNEP is reaching out to MS to get a replacement of Chairs
- Encourages Meaningful participation and calls for continued momentum
- Stephen-Encourages involvement of MG in the GOF, It also provides a chance to know what areas in terms of RES some MS are interested in.
- Tess introduced herself as the new WMG Co-facilitator.

6. SRM Consultative Workshop & Science-Policy Dialogue- extended deadline to register and nominate by 8th April 2025 - Laetitia

- Laetitia - the workshop is happening a week after, hybrid
- There are 18 registrants from MGS, those nominated and replacements or nominated experts, and no updates yet from the Chief Scientists. We will make a follow-up if there are documents that can be reviewed. Asked Stephen if he given his seat
- Stephen - he will be attending
- Laetitia - then it's Mohammed who gave up his seat for another expert. Asked if there is any coordination from the MGFC like who will take notes and prepare reports.
- Stephen - there was a message sent with the list of nominated people. In the notes, there was an extension until 8th of May. Within the MG, there are diverse groups within the S and T MG and there are diverse opinions - no texts on geoengineering and ??? in the Ministerial Declaration. We did not propose comments on the ZD of MD as we are just waiting to see and wait for the completion of the ST MG election.
- Dalia - thanked Laetitia and UNEP CSU, women nominated 3 experts who will be taking notes and will share those with all the MGFC
- Laetitia - great if women is doing the note taking but may also share it with other MGFC

7. Annual reports from Co-chairs - reminder

- Dalia - reminder to all co-chairs to share annual reports, AG of farmers group already shared their report, and other facilitators are reminded to submit. There is a template, and the deadline of the reports is at the end of the term. For those joining recently, submit the report at the end of the first year and those leaving submit at the end of term.

8. Potential high-level youth segment (YEA) to be held over the weekend of the GMGSF

- Stephen - this schedule has been confirmed, requesting CYMG to present this
- Clive - concept is already prepared and communicated with the UNEP CSU for review and will share the concept note once comments from the CSU are received.
- David - the idea is to have the youth segment before the OCPR.
- Mohammed-YEA is a good idea but having a segment on second day is okay instead of having Parallel session
- Stephen-It's good to take account and ensure nothing is left out. Warn against having much happening on the same day.

9. AOB

- The next webinar needs full acknowledgement and Participation
- Inquiries from CSU -Is the consultation split into 2 segments or the same for youth and all MGs
- CSU will respond soon but it is likely to be half day/half day
- Mohammed- SPP webinar report will be shared soon
- Dahlia-There has been poor communication between some MG but as co-chairs,they aim to coordinate the process based on consensus and call on the MG engagement in a better mechanism.
- Stephen-This is the last meeting, expresses gratitude to all and appreciates the great work. Wishes all best of luck and hopes to meet soon in other processes.
- Meadani-Thanks Stephen
- Mohammed-Expresses gratitude in working with Stephen and wishes him all the best.
- Dahlia-Happy to have worked with Stephen and privilege to have worked together
- Prem-It has been great engaging with Stephen since UNEA 3 and wishes him all the best.