

Towards a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution

SPP OEWG Bureau Meeting
12 – 13 June 2025, Montevideo

SPP OEWG Secretariat

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Opening of the meeting and adoption of
the agenda

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OEWG 3.2 preparations

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(a) Preparations for OEWG 3.2

(a) Preparations for OEWG 3.2 – Registration status

Registration OEWG 3.2 (as at 11 June 2025)	
Total no. of approved registrants	656
No of approved registrants from governments (including REIO and observer states)	318
No. of governments represented (including REIO and observer states)	121
Africa	43
Asia Pacific	24
Eastern Europe	15
GRULAC	24
WEOG	15
No. of other approved registrants (Relevant MEAs, NGOs, other UN organisations, etc)	338

(a) Preparations for OEWG 3.2 – Regional and stakeholder meetings

Regional consultations

- Africa: 09:00 – 17:00
- Asia Pacific: 10:00 – 12:00; 14:00 – 17:00
- CEE: 13:00 – 14:00
- GRULAC: 14:00 – 17:00
- EU: 11:00 – 16:00
- JUSCANNZ: 15:00 – 16:00
- EU / JUSCANNZ: 16:30 – 17:30

Stakeholder consultations

- Youth: 09:30 – 13:00
- Major Groups & Stakeholders: 13:30 – 17:00

(a) Preparations for OEWG 3.2 - Logistics

Venue:

Convention and Exhibition Centre, Punta del Este, Uruguay

Key Dates:

15 – 18 June 2025: OEWG 3.2

14 June 2025: Preceding meetings (informal, regional and stakeholder consultations)

OEWG 3.2 website can be found [here](#)

19 and 20 June 2025: Intergovernmental Meeting
IM website can be found [here](#)

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(b) Organization of work at OEWG 3.2

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	Day 1		Day 2		Day 3		Day 4
8:00-8:30	Bureau		Bureau		Bureau		Bureau
8:30-9:00							
9:00-9:30	Regional meetings/ stakeholder groups		Regional meetings/ stakeholder groups		Regional meetings/ stakeholder groups		Regional meetings/ stakeholder groups
9:30-10:00							
10:00-10:30	Opening plenary		Plenary stocktake		Plenary stocktake (TBC)		Plenary
10:30-11:00			CG 1CG 2				
11:00-11:30							
11:30-12:00			Contact Group 1Contact Group 2		CG 1CG 2		
12:00-12:30							
12:30-13:00							
13:00-13:30	Lunch break		Lunch break		Lunch break		Lunch break
13:30-14:00							
14:00-14:30							
14:30-15:00							
15:00-15:30	CG 1CG 2		CG 1CG 3		CG 1CG 2		Plenary
15:30-16:00							
16:00-16:30							
16:30-17:00	Break		Break		Plenary stocktake (TBC)		
17:00-17:30	CG 1CG 2		CG1CG 3				
17:30-18:00							
18:00-18:30	Break (and Bureau/Co-Fac. check-in)		Break (and Bureau/Co-Fac. check-in)		Break (and Bureau/Co-Fac. check-in)		
18:30-19:00							
19:00-19:30	CG 1Contact Group 3		CG 2CG 1		CG cont'd / informals if neededCG cont'd / informals if needed		
19:30-20:00							
20:00-20:30							
20:30-21:00	CG1CG 3		CG 2CG 3		CG cont'd / informals if neededCG cont'd / informals if needed		
21:00-21:30							
21:30-22:00							

(b) Organization of work at OEWG 3.2 – Mandate for CG 1

Proposed Contact Group 1 Mandate:

Bodies of the Panel, Decision-Making, and Related Draft Rules of Procedure

Co-facilitators: Toks Akinseye (UK) and Miguel Ruiz Botero (Colombia).

- Finalize the draft proposals on panel's bodies, including their membership and functions, decision-making and their related draft rules of procedure:
 - Decision Making
 - Institutional arrangements:
 - Governing body of the Panel
 - Bureau
 - Interdisciplinary Expert Committee, and
 - Other subsidiary bodies.
- The related rules included in the mandate of this working group can be found in Annex III of the scenario note (UNEP/SPP-CWP/OEWG.3/INF/8).

(b) Organization of work at OEWG 3.2 – Mandate for CG 2

Proposed Contact Group 2 Mandate:

Other foundational elements, related draft rules of procedure, and draft decision to establish the panel

Co-facilitators: Keima Gardiner (Trinidad and Tobago) and Kateřina Šebková (Czechia)

- Finalize the foundational elements and related draft rules of procedure not considered under Contact Groups 1 & 3:
 - Name of the panel, including rule 2, paragraph (j) of the rules of procedure
 - Preamble [placeholder]
 - Scope, objective and functions
 - Secretariat
 - Financial arrangements
 - Operating principles and approaches
 - Strategic partnerships
 - Evaluation of the operational effectiveness and impact of the panel
- Finalize the draft decision to establish the panel.

(b) Organization of work at OEWG 3.2 – Mandate for CG 3

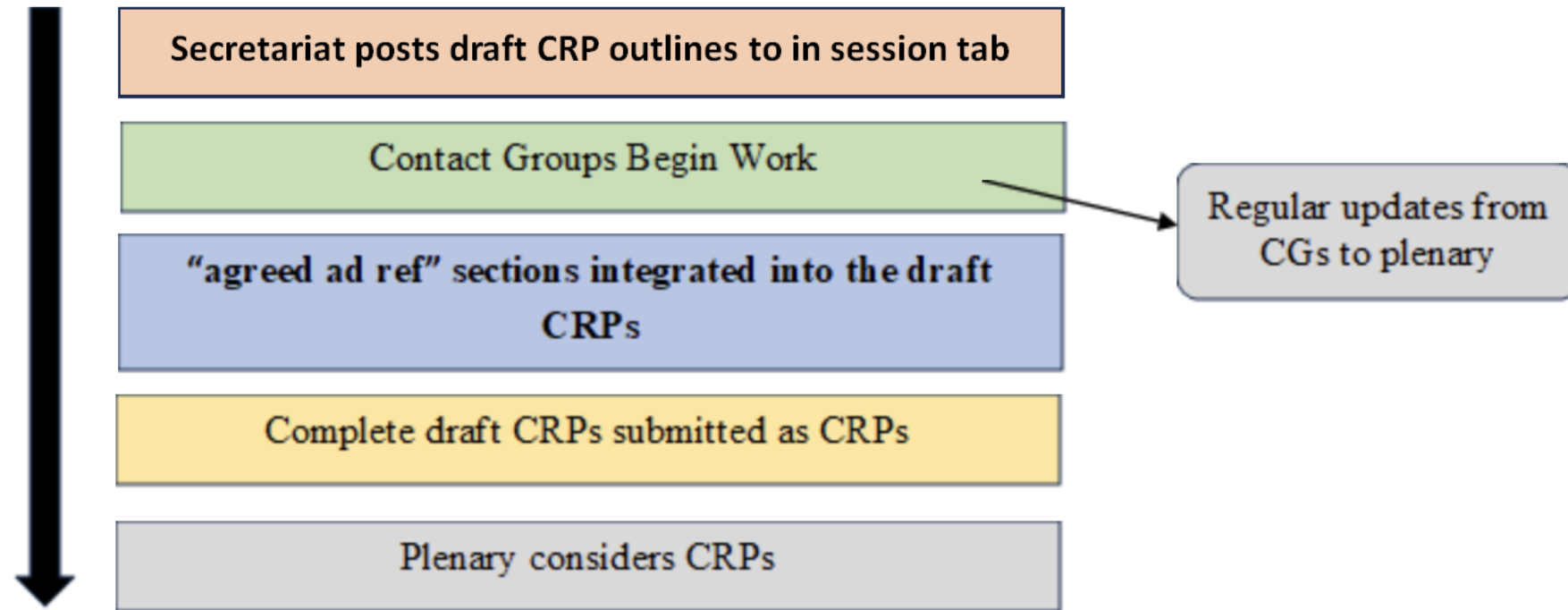
Proposed Contact Group 3 Mandate:

Other draft rules of procedure and the Draft decisions on arrangements for the interim period, and to forward the draft rules, procedures and policies

Co-facilitators: Sam Adu-Kumi (Ghana) and Itsuki Kuroda (Japan)

- Finalize the draft decision on arrangements for the interim period
- Finalize the draft decision to forward the draft rules, procedures and policies
- Finalize the draft rules of procedure not considered under CG 1 & 2:
 - Scope (of the Rules of Procedure);
 - Outstanding definitions;
 - Venues, dates and notification of sessions;
 - Agenda;
 - Representation, credentials and accreditation;
 - Conduct of business; and,
 - Languages
 - Rule in the event of conflicts between the foundational document and the rules of procedure.

(b) Organization of work at OEWG 3.2 – Proposed Document flow



(b) Organization of work at OEWG 3.2 – Common working methods across contact groups

- Work within mandate agreed by plenary, including clear division of labor between contact groups for cross-cutting issues
- Negotiation context introduced when first opening topic:
 - Text had tentatively been agreed
 - Text was “parked at OEWG 3.1”
 - Text had “first reading at OEWG 3.1”
 - Text has not been read
- When section is agreed, indicate “agreed ad ref” and it is incorporated in tentative outcome on in-sessions document page
- Co-facilitators will update each other, across contact groups, on progress achieved
- Plenary stocktake: Agenda item 4 (CG 1, 2, 3) and item 5 (CG 3)

(b) Organization of work at OEWG 3.2 – Plenary Guidance

- Chair will propose to Plenary to consider preambular placeholder in foundational document to be the preambular section of the draft decision on establishment of the panel
- Chair will recall the need to focus on the functions of the Secretariat and that who will host the secretariat and its location will be decided later by the panel itself

(b) Organization of work at OEWG 3.2 – Regional Meetings

- Bureau members are requested to share with their regions the slides on:
 - Tentative schedule
 - CG mandates
 - Document flow and common working methods of contact groups

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Report on preparations for Contact Group 1

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(b) Organization of work at OEWG 3.2

Report on preparations for Contact Group 2

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Report on preparations for Contact Group 3

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Update on IM preparations

(a) Preparations for IM - Registration status

Registration (as at 13 June 2025)	
Total no. of approved registrants	580
No of approved registrants from governments (including REIO and observer states)	297
No. of governments represented (including REIO and observer states)	110
Africa	40
Asia Pacific	21
Eastern Europe	15
GRULAC	18
WEOG	16
No. of other approved registrants (Relevant MEAs, NGOs, other UN organisations, etc)	283

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Other matters

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Closure of the meeting

Thank you



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