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10:00 – 18:00 (GMT+3)

Hybrid

Item 6 of the provisional agenda

Report of the subcommittee

Draft report of the Subcommittee meetings of the Committee of Permanent Representatives

1. Since the 172nd quarterly meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR, the Committee), held on 24 November 2025, four meetings of the subcommittee of the Committee have taken place. Detailed meeting agendas, background documentation, and meeting summaries are available on the respective meeting webpages. Links are provided below.
2. At the [subcommittee meeting held on 29 January 2026](#):
 - a. Members of the Committee considered a briefing on the main outcomes of the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC COP30) and its impact on UNEP's climate action, followed by a presentation on UNEP's ongoing projects that address the issue of subsidies that are harmful to biodiversity and nature and promote sustainable incentives through analyses, campaigns and policy advocacy in line with Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF) target 18, including on identifying and analyzing existing finance mechanisms that cause harm to biodiversity, promoting nature-positive practices, and campaigns to reform harmful agricultural subsidies.
 - b. Several questions were raised by delegations on the items considered at the meeting, to which the Secretariat provided responses.
 - c. A concise record of the meeting's deliberations is reflected in the [Chair's summary](#).
3. At the [subcommittee meeting held on 3 March 2026](#):

- a. Delegations considered a revised draft contribution of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA) to the 2026 High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF).
- b. Several questions were raised by Member States on the item considered at the meeting, to which the President of UNEA and the Secretariat provided responses.
- c. A concise record of the meeting's deliberations is reflected in the [Chair's summary](#).

4. At the [subcommittee meeting held on 12 March 2026](#):

- a. Members considered a briefing on the evaluation of the Chemicals and Pollution Action Subprogramme and the management response by the Secretariat, followed by the consideration of the assessment of the seventh session of UNEA (UNEA-7).
- b. Several questions were raised by delegations on the items considered at the meeting, to which the Secretariat provided responses.
- c. A concise record of the meeting's deliberations is reflected in the [Chair's summary](#).

5. At the [subcommittee meeting held on 19 March 2026](#):

- a. Members of the Committee heard a briefing on the newly established Office of Science and initiatives taken to strengthen UNEP's science function, including the results of the process of consolidation of the Early Warning and Assessment Division's relevant functions with the Chief Scientist Office and the reassignment of its project-based operations to other divisions and offices, followed by continued consideration of the assessment of UNEA-7.
 - b. Several questions were raised by delegations on the items considered at the meeting, to which the Secretariat provided responses.
 - c. A concise record of the meeting's deliberations is reflected in the [Chair's summary](#).
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