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Agenda item 5: Implementation of the outcomes of the United Nations Environment Assembly in the context of the Programme of work.

This background document has been prepared by the Secretariat to supplement the information provided through the [UNEA Monitoring and Reporting Portal](#), which reflects detailed updates on the implementation of UNEA resolutions as of June 2022, including resolutions and decisions adopted by UNEA at its fifth session.

This document, therefore, aims to capture additional progress made on each resolution and decision since June 2022.

For a more exhaustive update, kindly refer to the UNEA [monitoring portal](#).

Member States are invited to consider the progress made so far and to provide guidance to the Secretariat on the further implementation of these resolutions and decisions.

Resolution 5/1 entitled “Animal welfare-environment-sustainable development nexus”

- A Group of Friends for the resolution was proposed at a meeting hosted by the representative of Ghana and attended by UNEP in September 2022, with the participation of the representatives of Burkina Faso, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ghana and Senegal.
- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 21 October 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed that a Group of Friends of the resolution has been formed to accelerate implementation of the resolution, led by Ghana with the participation of Burkina Faso, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Senegal. UNEP has participated in meetings with the Group and has had consultations with several civil society organizations to gather input and to identify means of mobilizing resources. UNEP has set seed funding from the Environment Fund to undertake an initial scoping which will be initiated in the first quarter of 2023. In the coming days, UNEP will participate in a meeting in Botswana on the margins of the 6th African Animal Welfare Conference to continue discussions with Member States and other interested parties on the implementation of the resolution. In addition, UNEP has discussed the resolution with the Quadripartite Alliance for One Health, and those partners stand ready to assist with the implementation when resources are available.
- The Executive Director, in the same letter, informed that additional voluntary resources are needed to support the work. The estimated cost of undertaking the initial study proposed in the resolution as a full inter-governmental and stakeholder process, is approximately USD 4,560,000. Despite discussions held by UNEP with various groups to explore how resources may be mobilized, unfortunately, no additional resources have been secured. However, UNEP will explore alternative options and revert to Member States in the coming weeks on potential courses of action for the implementation of the resolution.

Resolution 5/2 entitled “Sustainable nitrogen management”

- A briefing on the implementation of the resolution was held for 29 September 2022 during the [159th meeting of the CPR](#).
- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 30 August 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, invited Member States to nominate by 15 September 2022 focal points to join the UNEP Working Group on Nitrogen established pursuant to UNEA resolution 4/14.
- In the same letter the Executive Director invited nominations by 15 September 2022 from Member States to serve as Co-Chairs of the Working Group on Nitrogen, while ensuring geographical balance and gender parity and informed that the appointment of the two Co-Chairs will be coordinated by the Chair of the CPR, under the leadership of the UNEA-6 President. The letter also annexed draft terms of references for the Co-Chairs. The deadline for nomination was subsequently extended to 27 September 2022 at the request of the Chair.
- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 21 October 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed that, pursuant to paragraph 3 (a) of UNEA resolution 5/2, subject to the availability of resources, UNEP stands ready to support Member States, at their request, in the development of national action plans for sustainable nitrogen management.

UNEP plans to issue an official invitation to Member States to submit an expression of interest for support in the development of national action plans.

- The Executive Director, in the same letter, invited governments and other stakeholders in a position to do so to provide extra-budgetary resources at the earliest to support the implementation of resolution 5/2. While some resources already exist, there is a funding gap of US\$ 3.6 million to enable the full implementation of the resolution. A budget summary has been annexed to the letter. The requested funds will contribute toward supporting the development of national action plans, the identification of modalities for policy coordination, the UNEP Working Group on Nitrogen, and the advancement of sustainable nitrogen management. The Executive Director requested in the letter that resources to be received without any specific focus area and should earmarking within the process be necessary, she asked for maximum flexibility.
- Additional information is available [here](#).

Resolution 5/3 entitled “Future of the Global Environment Outlook”

- A briefing on the implementation of the resolution was held on [16 June 2022 meeting](#) of the Subcommittee of the CPR.
- Another briefing on the implementation of the resolution was held on 29 September 2022 during the [159th meeting of the CPR](#).
- A background note on the overall progress made in the implementation of the resolution is available [here](#), including detailed information on the following aspects of the GEO-7 process:
 - Status update on establishing the Intergovernmental and Multi-stakeholder Advisory Committee (IMAG), meant to advise the ED on the GEO-7 process.
 - Status update on convening of the first open ended expert meeting on GEO-7 (19-22 September 2022, online), which focused on procedural matters.
 - Status update on convening of the second open ended expert meeting on GEO-7 (17-20 October 2022, in person), which will focus on scoping of GEO-7, and the related first meeting of the IMAG.
 - Outline of a roadmap and planned next steps after the September and October meetings.
- The first open ended expert meeting on GEO-7 was held from 19 to 22 September 2022, online, focusing on procedural matters; and the second open ended expert meeting on GEO-7 was held from 17 to 20 October 2022, in person, which focused on scoping of GEO-7, and the related first meeting of the IMAG.

Resolution 5/4 entitled “Sustainable lake management”

- UNEP, together with Indonesia, has developed an action plan to advance the implementation of the resolution. It will focus on (1) crafting a Global Call to Action for Sustainable Lake Management and (2) establishing the world’s very first Lake Innovation Hub. In addition, through the World Water Quality Alliance, a global review of lake restoration needs in order to identify priority lakes has commenced. UNEP has created a pilot version of a global platform mapping the ecological status of major lakes in real time. Two stories related to the resolution have been published on the UNEP website to raise awareness: [First story](#), [second story](#)

- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 21 October 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed that since the adoption of the resolution, several steps have been taken as follows:
 - Meetings have been held with representatives from Nairobi based missions and capitals. A session on valuing wetlands and lakes was organised at the World Water Week Conference in Stockholm in August 2022. A concept note for fundraising purposes has also been developed.
 - Through the UNEP led World Water Quality Alliance, a global survey of lake restoration needs has been initiated, to identify priority lakes that would benefit from restoration efforts.
 - A side event on lakes and wetlands will be organized during the upcoming Ramsar COP 14 (5-13 November 2022).
 - Web stories related to the lake resolution have been published on the UNEP website to raise global awareness of the resolution and the importance of sustainable lake management (see [What you need to know about the global resolution on sustainable lake management](#) and [The interlinked threats facing lakes and why we need to protect them](#)).
- The Executive Director, in the same letter, invited governments and other stakeholders to provide extra-budgetary resources at the earliest to support the implementation of resolution 5/4, which is estimated to require USD 2.3 million for implementation, of which USD 1.1 million is available as co-financing through ongoing projects and available staff resources. The remaining funding gap of USD 1.2 million for the implementation of the resolution is to be met exclusively by voluntary contributions. An annex to the letter provides the budget summary. The requested fund will contribute to mainstream sustainable lake management in the global agenda; to create a knowledge hub on lake management research, capacity building and knowledge management to stimulate South-South and Triangular Cooperation. The funds will also be used for developing a global communication and outreach campaign to raise awareness and catalyse action for sustainable lake management. The Executive Director requested that resources to be received without any specific focus area and that should earmarking within the process be necessary, she asked for maximum flexibility.

Resolution 5/5 entitled “Nature-based solutions for supporting sustainable development”

- An informational webinar to present and discuss the options for intergovernmental consultations was held on 18 July 2022.
- A briefing on the implementation of the resolution was held on 29 September 2022 during the [159th meeting of the CPR](#).
- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 7 July 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, invited expressions of interest from Member States with the intention of appointing two Co-Chairs, one from a developing and one from a developed country, noting that the Co-Chairs will need to have a good understanding of nature-based solutions; invited governments and other stakeholders in a position to do so to provide extra-budgetary resources to support the implementation of the process as well as requesting for resources to be received without any specific focus area and should earmarking to necessary asking Member States for maximum flexibility.

- The Executive Director, in a subsequent letter dated [31 August 2022](#), addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed of the revised process for the appointment of the two Co-Chairs, i.e. that the process will be coordinated by the Chair of the CPR, under the leadership of the UNEA-6 President, taking into account the need for geographical balance and gender parity. Member States were invited to submit the nominations for potential Co-Chairs no later than 15 September 2022. The letter also annexed draft terms of references for the Co-Chairs. The deadline was later extended to 27 September 2022 at the request of the Chair of the CPR.
- A background note on the overall progress made in the implementation of the resolution is available [here](#).

Resolution 5/6 entitled “Biodiversity and health”

- For the resolution on biodiversity and health the two main ‘vehicles’ for the implementation are UNEP’s contribution to the One Health quadripartite alliance and the Nature for Health multi donor trust fund. There is progress on both fronts:
 - i. The joint plan of action for the quadripartite One Health alliance has been finalized and is undergoing reviews.
 - ii. Under the Nature for health multi donor trust fund a call for expression of interest has been launched in order to identify regional priorities.
- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 21 October 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed that significant progress has been made to implement the resolution using available resources. UNEP joined the One Health Alliance of FAO, WHO and OIE (now World Organisation of Animal Health, WOAH) and is encouraging and instituting action, fostering cooperation, and raising awareness under the activities of the alliance. The Joint Plan of Action of the Alliance has been finalized and the Alliance will develop an implementation framework and associated joint mobilization of resources. UNEP organized a webinar to brief members of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR) on the Joint Plan of Action in June 2022.
- The Executive Director, in the same letter, also informed that another important instrument to implement the resolution is the Nature for Health (N4H) Fund. The N4H Fund was established with support from Germany to support investments in nature to support the prevention of zoonotic diseases with pandemic potential. Recently, the Fund launched expressions of interest to gather information on how countries are establishing policies and action on preventative One Health approaches and their future interests to partner with the Fund. Resources are still needed to fully capitalize the fund. With the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and GIZ resources, UNEP is also implementing a project on human and wildlife health monitoring in Central Africa to contribute to the assessment of the environmental dimension of One Health.
- The Executive Director, in the same letter, invited Member States to pledge additional resources towards the effective and successful implementation of the resolution; and informed that the funding estimate for the full implementation of the resolution is USD 4.8 million. A significant portion of UNEP’s contribution will be through the One Health Alliance and the N4H Multi-Partner Trust Fund. A comprehensive assessment of the links between biodiversity and health remains unfunded and it is estimated that a minimum of USD 1 million would be required for this purpose.

Resolution 5/7 entitled “Sound management of chemicals and waste”

- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 21 October 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed that UNEP has initiated the implementation of a number of the requests mentioned in resolution 5/7:
 - The [fourth meeting of the intersessional process considering the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 \(IP4\)](#) took place in Bucharest, Romania from 29 August to 2 September 2022. The meeting was adjourned on 2 September 2022 and will be resumed in early 2023 - at a date and location to be determined by the Bureau in consultation with stakeholders - in order to conclude the consideration of its agenda. The outcome of the meeting was [a single consolidated document](#). At the meeting, the Government of Germany announced that the fifth session of the International Conference for Chemicals Management (ICCM5) will take place from 25 to 29 September 2023 in Bonn, Germany.
 - Following the extension of the duration of the Special Programme for five years, UNEP conducted a sixth round of applications, which closed in August 2022, and a seventh round is planned in 2023.
 - The report entitled “An Assessment Report on Issues of Concern: Chemicals and Waste Issues Posing Risks to Human Health and the Environment “ is available on the [UNEP website](#). UNEP is preparing the consultation to seek stakeholder views, through the production of fact sheets on issues of concern and forthcoming short technical briefings. UNEP will host a global consultation, in the course of 2023.
 - UNEP has been actively engaging with the member organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals and beyond. UNEP collaborated closely with the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC), and some IOMC organisations in specific domains, including lead in paint (Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint), Highly Hazardous Pesticides (global action plan on highly hazardous pesticides), Mercury (including through the Global Mercury Partnership, and the PlanetGold Programme on Artisanal Small Scale Gold Mining), Anti-microbial resistance (under the “One Health” approach). UNEP further collaborates closely with Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEA) secretariats.
 - UNEP, jointly with IOMC, developed an [information document SAICM/IP.4/INF/18](#) on Strengthening integrated chemicals and waste management: An IOMC contribution to the intersessional process on the “Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020”.
- The Executive Director, in the same letter, invited governments and other stakeholders in a position to do so to provide extra-budgetary resources at the earliest to support the implementation of the resolution. The costs for the implementation of the resolution are to be met exclusively by voluntary contributions. While some resources already exist, there are funding gaps of:
 - USD 8.9 million of the total estimated costs of USD 11.1 million, for the coming 2 years for the SAICM Secretariat (activities programmed until ICCM5).
 - USD 42 million covering the 5 years extension of the Special Programme – out of which an estimated USD 28 million would be directed to recipient countries

implementing projects approved under five additional rounds of funding under the Special Programme.

- USD 514,000 for the other requests in the resolution.
- The Executive Director, in the same letter, informed that the requested funds could contribute to the implementation of UNEP's work on chemicals and waste, including substantive and technical contributions to the beyond 2020 process, the smooth organisation of ICCM5 and the Secretariat, the implementation of the Special Programme, substantive work on issues of concern, as well as the preparation of required reports that are currently unfunded. The Executive Director requested resources to be provided with as much flexibility as possible. Should earmarking within the process be necessary, she asked for maximum flexibility.

Resolution 5/8 entitled “Science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution”

- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 19 April 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed that the first session of the open-ended working group (OEWG) was expected to take place in October 2022 at a location to be confirmed; invited Member States to nominate, through their respective regional groups the candidates for the Bureau of the OEWG; also invited Member States in a position to do so to provide extra-budgetary resources to support the implementation of the resolution; provided an overview of the estimated costs related to establishment of a Secretariat to the OEWG and expected operational costs provided in an Annex; and requested Member States to nominate a national focal point; all with a deadline of 30 June.
- A briefing on the implementation of the resolution was held on [7 July meeting of the Subcommittee of the CPR](#).
- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 21 July 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, extended the deadline to 15 August 2022 for the Chairs of the regional groups to communicate candidatures for the 10-member Bureau, taking into account the principle of equitable geographical representation as well as gender balance, and for the nominations of national focal points; informed that following the guidance received during the 7 July 2022 meeting of the subcommittee, the first session of the open-ended working group will be held in two parts – the first part to be held on 6 October in Nairobi in a hybrid format and the second part, which will be the resumed first session, is expected to be held in the first quarter of 2023; extended her appreciation to the Governments of Thailand and Brazil for their offers to host one of the OEWG meetings; provided a detailed revised overview of the areas for funding support in annex I to the letter; and requested for resources for the implementation of the resolution to be received without specific area of support and should an earmarking within the process be necessary, she asked for maximum flexibility.
- At its [first meeting](#), the OEWG will be invited to consider important procedural matters, including the election of a Chair and other members of the Bureau of the OEWG, as well as adopt its rules of procedure. The meeting will allow Governments and regional economic integration organizations as well as observers the opportunity to deliver general statements on the establishment of a science-policy panel.
- At the resumed first session, to be held in Bangkok, the OEWG will be invited to engage in substantive discussion on various aspects of the establishment of the science-policy

panel, options for the timeline to prepare proposals and the identification of a date and venue for the second session, tentatively scheduled for late 2023.

- Additional information is available on the website of the [OEWG-1](#).

Resolution 5/9 entitled “Sustainable and resilient infrastructure”

- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 21 October 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed that the implementation of the resolution has focused on the continued collection and promotion of existing knowledge and best practices, development of new tools and knowledge, and provision of country-level technical assistance, and capacity building at the global, regional, and national levels. Highlights include the launch of a national infrastructure resilience roadmap with the Government of Ghana; a sustainable infrastructure barrier analysis and roadmap in Chile; development of a pilot version of a measurement framework for measuring national progress on sustainable infrastructure, and delivery of capacity building and training to more than 700 policymakers and practitioners worldwide, including private sector participants.
- The Executive Director, in the same letter, invited governments and other stakeholders in a position to do so to provide extra-budgetary resources at the earliest to support the implementation of the resolution. The costs for the implementation of the resolution are to be met exclusively by voluntary contributions. It is estimated that UNEP will need approximately US\$ 3.5 million to implement the resolution, of which approximately US\$ 800,000 has been earmarked from existing Environment Fund and extra-budgetary resources to support the implementation of the resolution. There is an estimated funding gap of US\$ 2.7 million of the total estimated costs to support overall coordination, planning and implementation of capacity building and knowledge sharing, research and knowledge generation, and direct technical assistance provided to countries to enable the full implementation of the resolution. A budget summary is made available in the Annex to the letter. The Executive Director requested resources to be provided without any specific focus area. Should earmarking within the process be necessary, she asked for maximum flexibility.

Resolution 5/10 entitled “The environmental dimension of a sustainable, resilient and inclusive post COVID-19 recovery”

- UNEP is mobilizing and scaling up targeted support across multiple fronts to Member States and UN country teams for enhancing the resilience and design of green recoveries, through targeted knowledge products and technical assistance at global, regional and national level.
- A recent milestone was the explicit mention of the Sustainable Budgeting Approach, a technical tools UNEP in cooperation with the University of Oxford has developed to support countries’ efforts for efficient public spending for sustainable recovery, in the statement by the African Ministers of finance, economy and environment for climate COP27 at the Egypt International Cooperation Forum.
- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 21 October 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed that UNEP has been scaling up support at global, regional, and national level to deliver on the resolution’s mandate. UNEP has embedded a resilience

framing into its green recovery support provided to ensure that Member States' economic development and environmental objectives are not affected adversely by the rapidly deteriorating global macro-outlook. UNEP will be working with its partners and sister agencies to focus our efforts on supporting Member States with knowledge products and peer-to-peer exchange to identify contextualised and concrete policy opportunities and implementation pathways to support both economic development and environmental sustainability objectives across high-impact sectors. UNEP intends to brief the Member States on the implementation of this resolution in early 2023.

- The Executive Director, in the same letter, invited governments and other stakeholders in a position to financially support at the earliest the implementation of the resolution. The costs for the implementation of the resolution, estimated at USD 3 million, are to be met exclusively by voluntary contributions. While some resources already exist, there is a funding gap of USD 2.5 million of the total estimated costs to enable the full implementation of the resolution. The requested funds will contribute to further developing and refining relevant knowledge products such as the Global Recovery Observatory as well as the Sustainable Budgeting Approach, sharing such knowledge and experiences of building resilient and inclusive recovery and providing technical assistance, including capacity building on the application of relevant knowledge products by convening regional and national level consultations in close cooperation with the United Nations Country Team (UNCT). The Executive Director requested resources to be provided without any specific focus area. Should earmarking within the process be necessary, she asked for maximum flexibility.

Resolution 5/11 entitled “Enhancing circular economy as a contribution to achieving sustainable consumption and production”

- A briefing on the implementation of the resolution took place during the [22 September meeting](#) of the Subcommittee of the CPR.
- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 21 October 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment informed that the implementation of the resolution as a contribution to achieving sustainable consumption and production has advanced in three directions:
 - UNEP is developing the first report, to be published in 2023, on Used Vehicles and the Environment that details the global flow of used heavy duty vehicles (HDVs) from the three main developed markets to developing countries, and the regulatory framework in recipient countries;
 - UNEP is facilitating global conversations on natural resources and materials in the context of the circular economy through the Global Alliance on Circular Economy and Resource Efficiency (GACERE) and the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns (10YFP). Background knowledge and evidence-based recommendations to these global conversations is being provided through the preparation of various reports, including among others, the International Resource Panel's Global Resources Outlook; and

- UNEP's support through the GO4SDGs initiative to the African Circular Economy Alliance (ACEA), and to the coordination of the Latin America and Caribbean Circular Economy Coalition (LACCEC) is creating opportunities, to promote innovative pathways to sustainable consumption and production at regional level in multiple sectors.
- The Executive Director, in the same letter, informed that following the recent approval of the Global Strategy for Sustainable Consumption and Production 2023-2030 by the 10YFP Board, of which circularity is a cross-cutting objective, UNEP invites governments and other stakeholders in a position to do so to support ongoing resource mobilization efforts in the context of the 2023-2024 Results Framework for the 10YFP Secretariat.
- The Executive Director, in the same letter, also informed that at present the implementation needs concerning resolution 5/11 for the remaining of the year 2022 are secured and the 10YFP Secretariat has also successfully secured a quarter 25% of the required resources for 2023. Continued support from an increased number of Member States will contribute to multi-stakeholder engagement at a global level over the next two years, with a focus on high-impact sectors; support to developing countries for circularity and SCP and strengthened and mobilized regional networks. The total funding gap is estimated at USD 2.3 million. The Executive Director requested resources to be provided without any specific focus area. Should earmarking within the process be necessary, she asked for maximum flexibility.

Resolution 5/12 entitled “Environmental aspects of minerals and metals management”

- A briefing on the implementation of the resolution is scheduled for the [13 October meeting](#) of the Subcommittee of the CPR.
- The Executive Director, in a letter dated 29 September 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, informed that the intergovernmental regional consultations, to be convened pursuant to UNEA resolution 5/12, are tentatively planned to be held in-person in all six regions from January to April 2023; informed of the funding gap of 36.5% of the total estimated costs to conduct the consultations and to enable the full implementation of the resolution, providing the budget summary in an annex to the letter, requesting resources to be received without any specific focus area and asking for maximum flexibility should earmarking be necessary.
- In the same letter, the Executive Director invited Member States to (i) nominate a national focal point to be engaged in the intergovernmental regional consultations and global meeting; (ii) submit expressions of interest for the role of the Co-Chairs; (iii) indicate an interest to host any of the intergovernmental regional consultations; and (iv) pledge additional resources towards the convening of the intergovernmental regional consultations. Member States are requested to provide the information no later than 31 October 2022.

Resolution 5/13 entitled “Due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution, in accordance with paragraph 3 of Article 101 of the Charter of the United Nations”

- In line with the Executive Director’s 4-point plan contained in [UNEP/EA.5/26](#), para. 29, UNEP is working on increasing internal direction, messaging, guidance and monitoring and awareness campaigns targeting top management and operations, strengthening accountability mechanisms. As of June 2022, UNEP has embarked on various outreach events with different partners, internal and external to the organization, reaching a total direct and indirect engagement of nearly 6000 potential candidates. UNEP also advanced the design of a Young Talent Pipeline initiative for entry level professional positions that will focus on improving geographical representation in the organization.
- The Pipeline will aim to attract young talent from less represented regional groups and un- and underrepresented Member States, who are young graduates or have entry level work experience to gain work experience in UNEP. UNEP has established a strategic partnership with the OneUN Talent Outreach working group (including 20+ UN entities, agencies, funds and programmes) to increase the competitiveness and visibility of UNEP as an employer of choice for young talent from un- and underrepresented Member States and less represented regional groups.

Resolution 5/14 entitled “End plastic pollution: towards an international legally binding instrument”

- A briefing on the implementation of the resolution was held on [5 May 2022 meeting](#) of the Subcommittee of the CPR.
- The open-ended working group met in Dakar from 29 May to 1 June 2022. Additional information on the work of the open-ended working group is available [here](#).
- A second briefing on the implementation of the resolution was held on [7 July 2022 meeting](#) of the Subcommittee of the CPR.
- The [first session of the INC](#) is scheduled to be held in Uruguay at the Punta del Este Convention and Exhibition Centre from 28 November to 2 December 2022. Additional information is available [here](#).
- A multi-stakeholder forum requested by the resolution to be organized in conjunction with INC-1 will be held on 26 November 2022 with details to be made available on the [meeting portal](#).

Decision 5/2 entitled “Medium-term strategy for the period 2022–2025 and programme of work and budget for the biennium 2022–2023”

- Implementation of the MTS 2022–2025 and programme of work and budget for the biennium 2022–2023 is on track. The first update on the progress of the implementation will be done through the first Programme Performance Report for the MTS 2022–25 and Programme of Work in January 2023. UNEA decision 5/4 decided to extend the programme of work for the period 2022–2023 by two years, to the end of 2025, with the budget and targets being pro-rated accordingly.

Decision 5/3 entitled “Adjournment and resumption of the fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly

- The [resumed fifth session of UNEA](#) was held from 28 February to 2 March 2022 in accordance with UNEA decision 5/3. UNEA adopted 14 resolutions and one decision as well as a Ministerial Declaration during the resumed fifth session.
- A [special session](#) of the United Nations Environment Assembly to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Environment Programme, was held in Nairobi for two days, on 3 and 4 March 2022, in conjunction with the resumed fifth session of the Environment Assembly, under the leadership of the Presidency and the Bureau of the sixth session of the Environment Assembly. The special session adopted a [political declaration](#) to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Environment Programme.

Decision 5/4 entitled “Provisional agenda, date and venue of the sixth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly”

- The UNEA 6 bureau at its [meeting](#) on 1 July 2022 agreed to apply the [guidelines and the roadmap](#) suggested by the Secretariat and requested the Secretariat to prepare a paper with proposed themes for discussions at the joint bureau meeting to be held on 17 October 2022.
- The Secretariat prepared options for the theme of UNEA 6 will be made available in advance of the [Joint Bureau meeting](#) of UNEA and the CPR to be held on 17 October 2022 for consideration by the joint bureaus.
- The options for a theme for the sixth session of UNEA will be presented during the annual subcommittee meeting, with the participation of the President of UNEA, followed by an exchange of views with Member States and Stakeholders.