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Annotated provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting.

The Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Environment Programme will open the meeting on Monday, 7 September 2026 at 10:00 (GMT+3).

2. Adoption of the agenda.

The Committee will be invited to adopt the provisional agenda for the meeting, as set out in document UNEP/CPR/ASC/13/1. The Committee will also have for its consideration the annotated provisional agenda as contained in document UNEP/CPR/ASC/13/1/Add.1.

3. Management and administration of the United Nations Environment Programme.[1]

The Secretariat will present an overview of UNEP's budget, human resources, resource mobilization, accountability framework, including audits and Enterprise Risk Management, efficiency measures, and other administrative matters, including the administrative process reform initiatives, in alignment with the UN80 Initiative, followed by an exchange of views with the members of the Committee and stakeholders. The Committee will be invited to take note of the presentation and provide guidance, as appropriate.

4. Programme Performance Report of the United Nations Environment Programme for 2024–2025.[1]

The Secretariat will report on the implementation of the programme of work and budget for the biennium 2024–2025, including institutional learning on subprogramme evaluation recommendations. Presentations will be made on the three strategic objectives and the foundational and enabling subprogrammes, followed by an exchange of views with the members of the Committee and stakeholders. The Committee will be invited to take note of the presentations and provide guidance, as appropriate.

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5. Contribution of the regional forums of ministers of the environment and environment authorities to the UNEP medium-term strategy and programme of work.

In accordance with UNEA resolution 6/3, in particular paragraphs 1 (a), 1 (b) and 5, the Secretariat will brief on the support provided by UNEP for the implementation of the decisions adopted at the sessions of the regional forums of ministers of the environment and environmental authorities, which are aligned with and contribute to the implementation of the medium-term strategy for the period 2026–2029 and the programme of work for the biennium 2026–2027. The Committee will also hear from the representatives of the Chairs of the ministerial forums on how regional priorities are reflected in the medium-term strategy and the programme of work, and emerging issues and support needed to address environmental issues to support sustainable development.

The Committee will be invited to take note of the briefing and provide guidance on the further measures to be undertaken by the Secretariat and Member States to strengthen the contribution of the regional forums of ministers of the environment and environmental authorities to the effective implementation of UNEP's medium-term strategy and programme of work.

6. Briefing on the UN80 Initiative.

The Secretariat of the UN80 Initiative will present an overview of the implementation of the UN80 Initiative Action Plan and the implementation pathways of the Plan of Action, including a comprehensive coverage of the three workstreams under the UN80 Initiative: (i) efficiency in the UN Secretariat; (ii) mandate implementation review; and (iii) structural and programmatic realignments. The briefing will be followed by an exchange of views with the members of the Committee and stakeholders. The Committee will be invited to take note of the presentation.

7. Briefing on Work Package 27 of the UN80 Initiative Plan of Action.

The Secretariat will present an overview of the outcomes of the Work Package 27 of the UN80 Initiative Plan of Action, and the implementation pathways. The briefing will be followed by an exchange of views with the members of the Committee and stakeholders. The Committee will be invited to take note of the briefing and provide guidance, as appropriate.

8. Funding base of the United Nations Environment Programme.

The Secretariat will convene a panel discussion to explore what motivates Member States and challenges faced to honour their commitments to provide secure, stable, adequate and increased funding for UNEP as reiterated by the General Assembly in its resolutions 66/288 and to contribute their full share to the Environment Fund as determined by the Voluntary Indicative Scale of Contributions (VISC) established by the Governing Council in its decision SSVII/1 to broaden the funding base and to enhance the predictability of the core contributions to the Environment Fund. The discussion will be held in the context of a rapidly changing global financial and political landscape where the importance of adequate and predictable core funding to the Environment Fund, UNEP's financial backbone for delivering results and demonstrating value for money, cannot be overstated.

The Committee will be invited to take note of the views presented by the panel and engage in the discussion, as well as provide guidance on collective actions that the Secretariat and Member States should take to secure the sources UNEP needs for maximising the delivery of its programme of work with impact.

9. Operationalizing the One Impact Framework.

The Secretariat, in line with UNEP's programme of work for the biennium 2026–2027, including the One Impact Framework, will update on the development of UNEP's impact measurement methodology, with a focus on UNEP's methodological approach to measuring and demonstrating impact. The briefing will be followed by an exchange of views with the members of the Committee and stakeholders. The Committee will be invited to take note of the presentation as well as the programme of work 2026-2027 with updated baselines and provide guidance, as appropriate.

10. Briefing on the sessions of the Conference of the Parties of the three Rio Conventions.

The Secretariats of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) will brief on the outcomes of, or preparations for the 2026 sessions of their respective Conference of the Parties (COPs). The Secretariats of the Conventions will also provide an update on ongoing collaboration initiatives among the Convention Secretariats in the context of the COPs.

In accordance with paragraph 1 of the Committee's decision 166/1, UNEP will complement these briefings by providing information on the relevance of the outcomes of the 17th session of the UNCCD COP to the implementation of UNEP's programme of work and on UNEP's preparations and planned engagement for the 17th meeting of the CBD COP and the 31st session of the UNFCCC COP.

The briefings will be followed by an exchange of views with the members of the Committee and stakeholders.

11. Coordination within the United Nations system on the environment, including through the Environment Management Group.

The Secretariat of the Environment Management Group (EMG) will provide an update on its work, highlighting progress achieved, key developments, and planned next steps associated with the UN80 Initiative. The update will focus on common approaches and integration of environmental considerations across the work of fifty-one UN entities through system-wide collaboration facilitated by the EMG.

The briefing will be followed by an exchange of views with the members of the Committee and stakeholders. The Committee will be invited to take note of the update and provide guidance, as appropriate, including on how the EMG and UNEP can further leverage the collective strengths of the UN system to advance the integration of environmental considerations across UN entities.

12. Consideration of a draft Chair's summary of the meeting.

The meeting will be invited to consider and endorse a draft Chair's summary covering agenda items 1 to 11, capturing the salient points raised and the overall spirit of the discussions held under those items. The summary will subsequently be finalized for formal consideration at the 175th meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, scheduled for 16 September 2026.

As agenda items 12, 13 and 14 will be considered during the course of the last meeting, the Chair's summary of those discussions will be prepared following the annual subcommittee meeting and incorporated into the final version of the summary for consideration by the Committee at its 175th meeting.

Any draft recommendations proposed by the members of the Committee during the annual subcommittee meeting will be discussed at a subsequent subcommittee meeting for consideration at the 176th meeting of the Committee, scheduled for 23 November 2026.

13. Other matters.

The meeting will consider any other matters related to its work.

14. Closing of the meeting.

The meeting is expected to close on Friday, 11 September 2026 at 18:00 (GMT+3).