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**UNEP Working Group on Nitrogen  
Seventh meeting**  
Virtual, 1-2 July 2025

**Annotated provisional agenda**

**Item 1**

**Opening of the meeting.**

1. The seventh meeting of the UNEP Working Group on Nitrogen will be held online from 1 to 2 July 2025. The meeting will be opened by the Co-Chairs on 1 July at 9:00 a.m. Nairobi time (GMT+3) for participants in the Eastern Hemisphere, and at 5:00 p.m. Nairobi time (GMT+3) for those in the Western Hemisphere. UNEP will be invited to deliver the opening remarks. Following this, the Co-Chairs will draw the participants' attention to the provisional agenda.

**Item 2**

**Update of the UNEP Working Group on Nitrogen.**

2. The Co-Chairs will provide an update on the progress made to date by the UNEP Working Group on Nitrogen.

**Item 3**

**Briefing of the Secretariat of the UNEP Working Group on Nitrogen.**

3. The Co-Chairs will invite the Secretariat of the UNEP Working Group on Nitrogen to brief the Working Group on activities relevant to its mandate.

**Item 4**

**Progress on the development of national action plans on sustainable nitrogen management.**

4. The Co-Chairs will invite Sri Lanka and Trinidad and Tobago to provide updates on the preparation of national action plans.

#### **Item 5**

##### **Roadmap of the Working Group towards 2030 on reducing nitrogen pollution**

4. The Co-Chairs will present the updated roadmap of the Working Group on reducing nitrogen pollution towards 2030.

#### **Item 6**

##### **Monitoring nitrogen pollution**

5. The Co-Chairs will invite the Group on Earth Observations (GEO) Blue Planet and the Northwest Pacific Action Plan (NOWPAP) to present monitoring nitrogen pollution using remote sensing techniques.

#### **Item 7**

##### **Nitrogen financing**

6. The Co-Chairs will invite the World Bank to introduce opportunities for nitrogen financing.

#### **Item 8**

##### **Scientific Support Required for the Working Group**

7. The Co-Chairs will outline the categories of support and critical scientific areas necessary for the Working Group's success.

#### **Item 9**

##### **Updates by MEAs and Partners**

8. The Co-Chairs will invite the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the Ozone Secretariat, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the International Maritime Organization (IMO), the Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC), the Secretariat of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on a Science Policy Panel on Chemicals, Waste and the Prevention of Pollution (SPP), and other partners to update their policies and activities pertaining to nitrogen management.

#### **Item 10**

##### **Other matters.**

9. The Working Group will be invited to raise any other matters.

#### **Item 11**

##### **Closure of the meeting.**

10. The Co-Chairs will close the meeting on 2 July 2025 at 12:00 Nairobi time (GMT+3) for participants from the Eastern Hemisphere, and at 20:00 Nairobi time (GMT+3) for those from the Western Hemisphere.

*To accommodate participants across different time zones, the meeting will take place over two days, from 1 to 2 July, with two sessions scheduled each day. Both sessions will cover the same content, allowing participants to attend the one that best fits their schedule.*

*Morning session: 9:00 - 12:00 EAT/Nairobi time (for the Eastern Hemisphere)*

*Afternoon session: 17:00 - 20:00 EAT/Nairobi time (for the Western Hemisphere)*

## Provisional schedule

| Time (Nairobi/EAT time) | Day 1, Tuesday, 1 July 2025- Eastern hemisphere                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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