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Ad-Hoc Open-Ended Meeting GEO-7/3: Seventh Edition of UNEP's Global Environment Outlook (GEO-7) Summary for Policymakers (SPM) Review and Approval Meeting

Location: United Nations Office at Nairobi
Gigiri, Nairobi, Kenya
Conference Room 2 (in person/hybrid)

27-31 October 2025: 09h00-21h00 EAT

Meeting objectives:

1. Review of the draft GEO-7 Summary for Policymakers
2. Acknowledge the Validation Opinions of the GEO-7 main report
3. Accept the GEO-7 main report
4. Approve the GEO-7 Summary for Policymakers

Structure and approach to the meeting, based on the GEO-7 procedures:

- The meeting will be chaired by the GEO-7 Ad-Hoc Open-Ended Meeting bureau that was elected during the first Ad-Hoc Open-ended Meeting in September 2022.
- Only verbal comments made during the meeting in plenary will be accepted.
- Remote connection is available for delegates who are unable to attend in person.
- Breakout rooms can be provided for the regional groupings, if needed.
- Approval of the document is planned for the last session of the meeting.

Meeting Documents:

- UNEP/EA.5/Res.3
- GEO-7 procedures document
- GEO-7 scoping document
- Second Order Draft of the GEO-7 Summary for Policymakers
- Validation opinions of the IMAG and MESAG
- Technical guidance for remote connection

Timings and activities may be adapted depending on the needs of the meeting.

Registration will be open on Monday 27 and Tuesday 28 October from 08h00 to 09h00 at

the UN Pavilion and Secretariat desk between CR2 and CR2.

Annotated provisional agenda

1. **Opening session, introductory remarks.** Opening remarks by the UNEP Executive Director

2. **Introduction of meeting officials.** The meeting will recognize the GEO-7 Intergovernmental and Multi-stakeholder Advisory Group (IMAG), Multidisciplinary Expert Scientific Advisory Group (MESAG) and Assessment Co-chairs.

3. **Acceptance of the GEO-7 main report.** The GEO-7 main report is accepted by the Ad-hoc Open Ended Meeting participants, while taking note of the validation opinions provided by the Intergovernmental and Multistakeholder Advisory Group (IMAG) and the Multidisciplinary Expert Scientific Advisory Group (MESAG) for the GEO-7 process.

4. **Modalities for the meeting and adoption of the agenda.** The approach for conducting the meeting based on the GEO Procedures document is presented and the agenda is adopted.

5. **Review of the GEO-7 Summary for Policymakers (SPM).** The Secretariat will present the draft GEO-7 Summary for Policymakers and Member States representatives participating in the meeting are invited to review the draft SPM and to provide comments.

6. **Approval of the revised GEO-7 Summary for Policymakers (SPM) document.** The Member States representatives participating in the meeting will be invited to approve the final version of the GEO-7 Summary for Policymakers.

7. **Other matters.** The meeting may discuss any other matters related to its work.

8. **Closing of the meeting.** The meeting is expected to close at 21h00 on Friday 31 October 2025.

Detailed provisional agenda

Monday 27 October 2025 – 09h00 to 21h00

Location: CR2
Online participants may join the meeting with this link: Click here to join the meeting

09h00 – 09h50
Item 1: Opening sessions, introductory remarks

- Welcome from the co-chairs of the GEO-7 Ad Hoc Open Ended Meeting
- Opening remarks from Inger Andersen, UNEP Executive Director
- General remarks from the floor

09h50 – 10h00
Group photo

10h00 – 10h05
Item 2: Introduction of meeting officials

10h05 – 10h10
Item 3: Acceptance of the GEO-7 main report

10h10 – 10h40
Item 4: Modalities of the meeting by the bureau of the Ad-Hoc Open-Ended Meeting

- Organization of work
- Presentation by assessment co-chairs

10h40 – 12h30
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

12h30 – 14h00
Lunch break

14h00 – 17h00
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

17h00 – 18h00
Break

18h00 – 20h45
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

20h45 – 21h00
Closing of the first day of the meeting:

- Recap of the day
- Plans for next day

Tuesday 28 October 2025 – 09h00 to 21h00

09h00 – 12h30
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

12h30 – 14h00
Lunch break

14h00 – 17h00
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

17h00 – 18h00
Break

18h00 – 20h45
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

20h45 – 21h00
Closing of the meeting:

- Recap of the day
- Plans for next day

Wednesday 29 October 2025 – 09h00 to 21h00

09h00 – 12h30
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

12h30 – 14h00
Lunch break

14h00 – 17h00
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

17h00 – 18h00
Break

18h00 – 20h45
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

20h45 – 21h00
Closing of the meeting:

- Recap of the day
- Plans for next day

Thursday 30 October 2025 – 09h00 to 21h00

09h00 – 12h30
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

12h30 – 14h00
Lunch break

14h00 – 17h00
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

17h00 – 18h00
Break

18h00 – 20h45
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

20h45 – 21h00
Closing of the meeting:

- Recap of the day
- Plans for next day

Friday 31 October 2025 – 09h00 to 21h00

09h00 – 12h30
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

12h30 – 14h00
Lunch break

14h00 – 17h00
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

17h00 – 18h00
Break

18h00 – 19h30
Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers

19h30 – 20h30
Item 6: Approval of the revised GEO-7 Summary for Policymakers (SPM) document.

20h30 – 21h00
Closing of the meeting.

****Housekeeping notes:**

i. DSA for participants funded by UNEP will be provided at a location to be specified by the Secretariat.
ii. There are no specific breaks for tea/coffee scheduled in the agenda. However, tea and coffee will be available from 10:30 – 11:30 and 15:00 – 16:00 outside the meeting room. Please note that tea and coffee are not allowed in the conference rooms. Please bring your reusable cup to avoid waste.
iii. Water will be available in the meeting rooms. Please bring your reusable water bottle.
iv. Lunch and dinner will not be provided by UNEP, but food and meals are available in the UNON compound.
v. For remotely connected participants, please indicate your Country's name or the name of the Major Group or Stakeholder you represent in your meeting name handle, then followed by your name. Online participants will have the floor after the participants present in-person in the meeting room.

Annex 1: Detailed Agenda in a table format

Legend:

	Working sessions
	Breaks

Timings and activities may be adapted depending on the needs of the meeting.

Date	Time	Agenda item	Location
Monday 27 October 2025	08h00 – 09h00	• Welcome and registration of the meeting participants	UN pavilion and Secretariat service desk outside CR2
	09h00 – 10h00	**Item 1: Opening sessions, introductory remarks** • Welcome from the co-chairs of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Meeting • Opening remarks from Inger Andersen, UNEP Executive Director • General remarks from the floor	CR2
	09h50 – 10h00	**Group Photo**	Outside CR 2, on the stairs
	10h00 –10h05	**Item 2: Introduction of meeting officials.**	CR2
	10h05 –10h10	**Item 3: Acceptance of the GEO-7 main report.**	CR2
	10h10 – 10h40	**Item 4: Modalities of the meeting by the Bureau of the Ad-Hoc Open-Ended Meeting** • Organization of work • Presentation by GEO-7 Assessment Co-chairs	CR2
	10h40 – 12h30	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	12h30 – 14h00	Lunch break	
	14h00 – 17h00	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	17h00 – 18h00	Break	
	18h00 – 20h45	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2

	20h45 – 21h00	**Closing of the first day of the meeting**: • Recap of the day • Plans for next day	CR2
Tuesday 28 October 2025	08h00– 08h45	Welcome and registration of the meeting participants	UN pavilion and Secretariat service desk between CR2 and CR2
	09h00 – 12h30	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	12h30 – 14h00	Lunch break	
	14h00 – 17h00	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	17h00 – 18h00	Break	
	18h00 – 20h45	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	20h45 –21h00	**Closing of the second day's meeting**: • Recap of the day • Plans for next day	CR2
Wednesday 29 October 2025	09h00 – 12h30	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	12h30 – 14h00	Lunch break	
	14h00 – 17h00	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	17h00 – 18h00	Coffee break	
	18h00 – 20h45	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	20h45 – 21h00	**Closing of the third day's meeting**: • Recap of the day • Plans for next day	CR2
Thursday 30 October 2025	09h00 – 12h30	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	12h30 – 14h00	Lunch break	
	14h00 – 17h00	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2

	17h00 – 18h00	Break	
	18h00 – 20h45	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	20h45 – 21h00	**Closing of the fourth day's meeting**: • Recap of the day • Plans for next day	CR2
Friday 31 October 2025	09h00 – 12h30	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	12h30 – 14h00	Lunch break	
	14h00 – 17h00	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	17h00 – 18h00	Break	
	18h00 – 19h30	**Item 5: Review of the Summary for Policymakers**	CR2
	19h30 – 20h30	**Item 6: Approval of the revised GEO-7 Summary for Policymakers (SPM) document.**	CR2
	20h30 – 21h00	**Closing of the meeting**	CR2