# Roadmap to the Third Session of the UN Environment Assembly

Main Preparatory Meetings	Main Activities and Outputs
2017	2017
13 April – Briefing on a group of technical experts on ascertaining and documenting the current status of knowledge of crimes that have serious impacts on the environment (10.00 am to 11.00 pm CR.4)  13 April – Committee of Permanent Representatives	April  - Letter from President of the Assembly to all Member States on the process of Ministerial Declaration  - Letter from Chair of the Committee to all Member States on the process for developing resolutions for the
Subcommittee meeting (11.00 am to 12.30 pm CR.4)  18 April – Bureau Meeting of the UN Environment Assembly (4.30 pm to 5.45 p.m. Executive Board Rm)  24 April-5 May: COP-13 of the Basel Convention, COP-8 of the Rotterdam Convention, COP-8 of the Stockholm Convention (Geneva, Switzerland).	<ul> <li>Assembly</li> <li>Consideration by Members of the Structure of the Assembly</li> <li>Open Side-Events Applications</li> <li>Members States are invited to signal intention to submit draft resolutions for the Assembly by 30 April.</li> </ul>
<b>4-5 May</b> – High-Level Segment of the Basel-Rotterdam-Stockholm Conventions	May - Development of the report of the Executive Director on the theme of the Assembly
8-12 May – 26th Session of Habitat Governing Council  18 May – Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4) Update on Environment and Emergencies Forum by the	<ul> <li>Initial feed back to the President of the Assembly on process and inputs for Ministerial Declaration (by 5 May)</li> <li>Nominations for Vice-Chairs of the Bureau of the Committee of Permanent representatives (by 12 May)</li> </ul>
Secretariat; and Preparation of UN Environment Frontiers Report (antimicrobial resistance)	- Single online platform for resolutions activated (20 May)
<b>5 June 2017</b> – World Environment Day (Global – Canada; UN Environment Headquarters, Nairobi)	Lonsultations on chairs of sessional bodies of 2017     Environment Assembly.
8-9 June 2017 – Global Dialogue on Oceans (hosted by Costa Rica, Punta Arenas Costa Rica) and World Oceans Day	- Presentation of outline of the Ministerial Declaration for review and comments during Preparatory Retreat.
10-11 June 2017 – Environment Assembly Preparatory Retreat and Consultations on the Ministerial Declaration of the Environment Assembly (hosted by Costa Rica, Punta Arenas, Costa Rica)	<ul> <li>Opening of online registration for Open Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives and Environment Assembly. Presentation of logistical package for delegations.</li> </ul>
13 June 2017 – Informal Regional Ministerial Consultation	- Close Side-Events Applications.
for 2017 Environment Assembly "Europe's call for a Pollution Free Planet" (hosted by Czech Republic in Ostrava, Czech Republic)	- First deadline for Member States to submit draft resolutions to the Secretariat (by 15 June).
20 June – Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4)	- Circulation of Zero Draft of the Ministerial Declaration for comments by Member States.
<b>27 June</b> – 139th meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (9.30 am to 1.00 pm CR.1) (followed by reception in honor of departing Bureau)	- Election of the Committee of Permanent Representatives Bureau and report of the Informal working group on procedural and organizational matters to the 139th meeting of the Committee.
	- Advance release of the Executive Director's report on the theme of the Assembly for review and comments

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# **6 July –** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4) Consideration of the update on UNEP/EA.2/Res.22 "organizational modalities of regular sessions of the United Nations Environment Assembly in order to enhance the budgeting process of the Programme and to better assess the resources allocated by the United Nations to servicing the meetings of the Assembly".

**10-19 July –** High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (New York)

### <u>July</u>

- Statement by the President of the Assembly to the High-Level Political Forum.
- Feedback on the Executive Director's Report on the theme of the Assembly (July – 15 August)

### **AUGUST**

- **7 September** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee Meeting. *Update on:* Preparations for the UN Environment Assembly. (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4)
- **7-8 September –** Second Forum of Ministers and Authorities of Environment of Asia-Pacific (Bangkok)
- **12 September** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee Meeting: (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4) Update by the Secretariat of the Environment Management Group.
- **14 September –** Environment Assembly Bureau meeting (9.30 am to 12.30 pm)
- **4-15 September –** 13th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (Ordos, China).
- **19 September –** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4)
- **21 September –** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4)
- **24-29 September** 1st Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (Geneva, Switzerland)
- **28 September –** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4)

### **AUGUST**

### September

- High-Level outreach on UN Environment Assembly's theme during United Nations General Assembly (New York)
- Distribution of advance Scenario Note for Open Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives and 2017 Environment Assembly.
- Second deadline for Member States to submit draft resolutions to the Secretariat (by September 22).
- Informal consultations on draft resolutions for the Assembly.
- Informal consultations on Ministerial Outcome Document led by the Presidency.
- Final Report of the Executive Director on the theme of the Assembly

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October **3 October – Committee of Permanent Representatives** Orientation of Chairs of sessional committees Subcommittee meeting (9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. CR.4) Distribution of documentation for Open Ended 10 October - 140th Meeting of the Committee of Committee of Permanent Representatives and the Permanent Representatives (9.30 am to 1.00 pm CR.1) Environment Assembly and send-off of draft resolutions to Third Meeting of the Open Ended Committee of 12 October - Orientation of new members of the Permanent Representatives (by 16 October) Committee of Permanent Representatives followed by Briefing on Legal Matters on the Environment Assembly Informal consultation in Nairobi on Ministerial Outcome (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4) of the Environment Assembly. 19 October – Council of Arab Ministers for the Environment - Finalization of logistical preparations. (Venue TBC) - Briefing to Delegations on Rules of Procedure. 22-28 October - 12th Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of President concludes consultations on Ministerial Wild Animals (Manila, Philippines). Declaration before the opening of the 2017 Environment Assembly (Late October) 24 October – UNEA Bureau meeting (tbc) 31 October – Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 am to 12.30 pm CR.4) **November** 7-8 November – Consultations of Executive Director with Regional and Political Groups (TBC) 9 November - Committee of Permanent Representatives Bureau meeting (TBC) 6-17 November – COP-23 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and MOP-13 of the Kyoto Protocol (KP) (Bonn, Germany) 16 November - UNEA Bureau meeting (TBC) 20-24 November – Joint 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and 29th Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (Montreal, Canada). 29 November-1 December – 3rd Meeting of the Open **Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives** December 2-3 December - 17th Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum 4-6 December 2017 - Third Session of the UN Environment Assembly 2018 **25 January – Committee of Permanent Representatives** January – Assessment of 2017 UN Environment Assembly Subcommittee meeting