



### Joint Scientific Advisory Panel and Review Editors Meeting for the Sixth Global Environment Outlook

**Location:** Cairo Marriott Hotel, Cairo, Egypt

October 7-11, 2018

#### **Review Editor's meeting objectives:**

1. Highlight main issues/ comments raised by governments and main stakeholders in the first, second and third order reviews;
2. Assess the extent to which review comments were dealt with during the final technical and the intergovernmental review;
3. Prepare a third order draft (TOD) Review Editor's report for the sixth Global Environment Outlook for presentation to the SAP;
4. Inform the Scientific Advisory Panel on the rigour and management of the peer review workflows for the sixth Global Environment Outlook;
5. Identify improvements in the future Global Environment Outlook assessments regarding the process of peer review, including the work of the review editors;

#### **Scientific Advisory Panel's meeting objectives:**

##### Guidance to the Review Editors

1. To provide advice to the Review Editor's team on:
  - Controversial issues
  - Presentation of findings, messages, key conclusions
  - Main issues arising from the TOD review
2. To comment on the robustness of the peer review process, provide guidance on the key issues raised in the TOD peer review report and recommend improvements for remaining GEO-6 peer review processes;

##### Ensuring the scientific credibility of GEO-6 process

3. To establish the effectiveness of addressing the recommendations and decisions of the Scientific Advisory Panel by the secretariat and experts;
4. To discuss and agree on the criteria for decision making on the scientific integrity of the GEO-6 process;
5. To discuss and evaluate the scientific integrity of GEO-6 process;
6. To draft the Scientific Advisory Panel opinion on the scientific integrity of the GEO-6 process;

##### Future GEOs and other assessment processes

7. To recommend improvements for the overall GEO process for consideration in future assessments; and

Identify mechanisms for ensuring scientific integrity for GEO and other major UN Environment assessments.

## **Provisional Agenda**

**Sunday Oct. 7, 2018 – 08h00 to 17h30**

**Registration and daily subsistence allowance from 08h00 to 09h00:** Secretariat room

**09h00 – 10h00**

**Item 1:** Opening sessions and introductory remarks

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo link (User2): <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/324382189>

**Moderator:** Mr. Pierre Boileau (GEO Head)

**Language:** English

**09h00** Welcome remarks by CEDARE

**09h15** Opening address by Egyptian Ministry of Environment representative. Dr Mona Kamal, Permanent Undersecretary, Ministry of Environment, and Head of Environmental Quality Sector

**09h35** Address by UN Environment Head, Global assessment Unit, Scientific Assessments Branch - Science Division Mr. Pierre Boileau

**09h55** Address by Co-Chair of GEO-6 Joyeeta Gupta

**10h05 – 12h00**

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo link (User2): <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/255938501>

**Item 2:** Opening session and introductory remarks (Secretariat)

**Item 3:** Introduction and objectives of the review editor's meeting and the work schedule (Lead Review Editors)

**Item 4:** Presentation of the review editing process (Lead Review Editors)

**Outcome:** Participants reminded about the review editing process, progress made, modality of work, challenges and expected outcomes of the meeting

**Item 5:** Presentation of review editor's analysis, READ portal, and discussion of review comments from the TOD intergovernmental and technical review period - **Discussion on Part A**

**Outcome:** Verifying that review comments on Part A were fully, and appropriately addressed, and scientific integrity maintained (TOD for Part A review edited)

**12h00 – 13h00**

**Item 6:** Networking lunch for meeting participants

**13h00 – 15h00**

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo link (User2): <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/521105149>

**Item 7:** Discussion of review comments from the TOD intergovernmental and technical review period -**Discussion on Part B**

**Outcome:** Verifying that review comments on Part B were fully, and appropriately, addressed, and scientific integrity maintained (TOD for Part B review edited)

[15h00 – 15h30](#)

**Item 8:** Break

[15h30 – 17h30](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 8): <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/910533757>

**Item 9:** Discussion of review comments from the TOD intergovernmental and technical review period

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**Discussions on Part C and D**

**Outcome:** Verifying that review comments on Parts C and D were fully, and appropriately, addressed, and scientific integrity maintained (TOD for Parts C and D review edited)

**Item 10:** Discussion on TOD Review Editors report structure and preliminary findings

**Outcome:** Identify the main findings for the third order review editor's draft report to be presented to the Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP)

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[Monday October 8<sup>th</sup> 2018; 09h00 to 18h00](#)

[09h00 – 10h30](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/518659661>

**Item 11:** Discussion and drafting of the TOD report. Working Groups: sections A, B, C and D

**Outcome:** Review the main and most significant comments raised by the various reviewers and ensuring that they were addressed in the report; categorisation of comments and identification of controversial issues highlighting disagreements (Guidance on the preparation of the final TOD reports provided)

[10h30 – 11h00](#)

**Item 12:** Break

[11h00 – 12h00](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/349423165>

**Item 13:** Working groups of review editors will be established to develop statistical analysis of specific chapters and finalization of the draft chapter reports.

[12h00 to 13h00](#)

**Item 14:** Lunch

[13h00 – 15h00](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/660052797>

**Item 15:** Plenary presentations of the main findings and results by the working groups (by part and theme) and discussion of the main issues to be presented to the SAP

**Outcome:** Review editors draft TOD reports for parts A, B, C and D and develop list of the main issues to be presented to the SAP

[15h00 to 15h30](#)

**Item 16:** Break

[15h30 to 18h00](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/769384965>

**Item 17:** General discussions on the TOD review editor's report and integration of comments and finalization of the draft TOD review editor's report

**Outcome:** Division of tasks for the SAP meeting and presenting the draft TOD review editors report

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[Tuesday Oct. 9, 2018: 08h30 to 18h00](#)

**Registration of Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP) members from 08h30 to 09h00:** Secretariat Room

[09h00 – 10h20](#)

**Location:** Salon Vert

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/335805749>

**Item 18:**

**Welcome remarks by Emcee**

Opening remarks at the joint session for both the SAP and Review Editors delivered by the **Egyptian Minister of Environment, H.E. Dr Yasmine Fouad**

Address by UN Environment Chief, Scientific Assessments Branch - Science Division Mr. Edoardo Zandri

Welcome remarks by H.E. Dr. Nadia Makram Ebeid, Executive Director, CEDARE

Address by Co-Chair of Scientific Advisory Panel, Nicholas King and Sarah Green

[10h20 – 10h30](#)

**Item 19:** Group Photo

**Location:** TBD

[10h30 – 11h00](#)

**Item 20:** Break

[11h00 – 12h00](#)

**Item 21:** Introductory remarks, introduction and objectives of the joint SAP and Review Editors meeting and work schedule (Secretariat)

**Item 22:** Lead Review Editor's presentations and discussions on the management of the review editing process for the sixth Global Environment Outlook

**Outcome:** SAP fully informed of the review editing process

**Location:** Salon Vert

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/307514965>

**Item 23:** Presentation of the key findings of the TOD Review Editor's report

[12h00 – 13h00](#)

**Item 24:** Working lunch

[13h00 – 15h30](#)

**Location:** Salon Vert

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/354515245>

**Item 25:** SAP and Assessment co-chairs discuss the outcome of the TOD draft review (process and substance)

[15h30 to 16h00](#)

**Item 26:** Break

[16h00 – 18h00](#)

**Location:** Salon Vert

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/474644821>

**Item 27: (SAP only)** Discussion of the TOD Review Editor's report and key findings (SAP to provide first round informal feedback/ comments / guidance possibly to be supported with further information within a short period after the Cairo meeting)

**Outcome:** SAP is fully informed about the TOD Review Editor's report and key findings and informal feedback is given to the review editors

- **Completing satisfaction survey for review editors members**

**Item 28:** Reception hosted by CEDARE (announcement of the exact time and location will be made)

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[Wednesday Oct. 10, 2018: 09h00 to 18h00](#)

[09h00 – 10h30](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/799289637>

**Item 29:** Present and discuss the evidence for decision making criteria 1,2, 4 and 5

[10h30 – 11h00](#)

**Item 30:** Break

[11h00 – 12h00](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/908121573>

**Item 31:** Present and discuss the evidence for decision making criteria 1,2, 4 and 5

[12h00 – 13h00](#)

**Item 32:** Lunch

[13h00 – 15h00](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/400912693>

**Item 33:** Present and discuss the evidence for decision making criteria 3 and 6

[15h00 to 15h30](#)

**Item 34:** Break

[15h30 – 18h00](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/303983213>

**Item 35:** Present and discuss the evidence for decision making criteria 3 and 6

**Outcome:** SAP has reviewed the evidence and discussed to what extent the criteria for scientific integrity have been met

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[Thursday Oct. 11, 2018: 09h00 to 16h15](#)

[09h00 – 10h30](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/198288917>

**Item 36:** Discussion on the scientific integrity of the sixth Global Environment Outlook process

**Outcome:** SAP has evaluated the scientific integrity of the sixth Global Environment Outlook process

[10h30 – 11h00](#)

**Item 37:** Break

[11h00 – 12h00](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/569808933>

**Item 38:** Drafting the Scientific Advisory Panel opinion on the scientific integrity of the sixth Global Environment Outlook process

**Outcome:** SAP has drafted an opinion on the scientific integrity of the sixth Global Environment Outlook process and agreed how it will be used and communicated

[12h00 – 13h00](#)

**Item 39:** Lunch

[13h00 – 16h00](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/660104373>

**Item 40:** SAP to recommend improvements for the overall GEO process for consideration in future assessments and identify mechanisms for ensuring scientific integrity for GEO and other major UN Environment assessments.

**Outcome:** SAP has provided guidance on strengthening future assessment processes and identify mechanisms for ensuring scientific integrity for GEO and other major UN Environment assessments.

[16h00 – 16h15](#)

**Location:** Verdi

GoTo meeting link (User 12) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/543763629>

**Item 41:** Closing ceremonies:

- **Assessment Co-chairs**
- **Scientific Advisory Panel Co-chairs**
- Address by UN Environment Chief, Scientific Assessments Branch - Science Division
- Completing satisfaction survey for SAP and Lead review editors members