United Nations Environment Programme
The second Joint Retreat for the Bureaux of the UN Environment Assembly and the Committee
of Permanent Representatives
Tallinn, 6-7 September 2018
Agenda Item 4.6

Agenda Item 4.6: Roadmap for the UN Environment Programme Governing Bodies

Key meetings of Governing Bodies, including in preparation for the 4 <sup>th</sup> session of the UN Environment Assembly	Main activities and outputs	Other meetings relevant for the Assembly
	2018	
January 2018		
16 January – Briefing on the Global Pact for the Environment (9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. CR4)  18 January – Bureau meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (1.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m. Executive Office Boardroom)  30 January – First Bureau meeting of the United Nations Environment Assembly (4.00 p.m. – 6.15 p.m. Executive Office Boardroom)	<ul> <li>Assessment and lessons learnt from the third session of the UN Environment Assembly</li> <li>Draft criteria for selecting the theme for the 4<sup>th</sup> session of the UN Environment Assembly</li> </ul>	15-18 January – International Water Summit (Abu Dhabi, UAE)  23-26 January – World Economic Forum Annual Meeting (Switzerland)  31 January – 4 February – 47 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) (TBC)
February 2018		
6 February — Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 a.m. — 12.30 p.m., CR4)  13 February — Informal breakfast meeting between Erik Solheim and the African Group (8.30 a.m. — 10.00 a.m. Karura Forest)  15 February — Briefing on the Sixth Global Environment Outlook and sustainable UN (9.00 a.m. — 11.30 a.m. CR4). Followed by Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting  20 February — Bureau meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (8.45 a.m. — 9.45 a.m. CW-115)  20 February — 141st meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (10.00 a.m. — 1.00 p.m.; 2.30 p.m. — 5.30 p.m. CR1)  27 February — Joint Meeting of the Bureaux of the UN Environment Assembly and of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (4.00 p.m. — 6.15 p.m. Executive Office Boardroom)	<ul> <li>Consideration of 'Lessons Learned' during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Session of the UN Environment Assembly in 2017</li> <li>Update on the implementation of the Programme of Work and Budget, including the implementation of UN Environment Assembly resolutions</li> <li>Consideration of the theme for the 4<sup>th</sup> session of the UN Environment Assembly</li> <li>Preparations for the 1<sup>st</sup> Joint Preparatory Retreat of the Bureaux of the UN Environment Assembly and of the Committee of Permanent Representatives</li> </ul>	2 February – World Wetlands Day 7 – 13 February – 9th Session of the World Urban Forum (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia) 10 – 12 February – Energizing the 2030 Agenda: Global Preparatory Meeting for Review of SDG 7 (Hong Kong, China)

#### **March 2018**

- **7 March** Briefing to the Committee of Permanent Representatives on the design of a sustainable financial system (2.30 3.30 p.m. CR4)
- **9 March** Informal breakfast meeting between Erik Solheim and the Latin America and the Caribbean Group (8.30 10.00 a.m. Karura Forest)
- **15 March** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 a.m. 12.30 p.m. CR4)
- **20-21 March** Consultative workshop with Multistakeholders on follow up of the 3<sup>rd</sup> session of the UN Environment Assembly and preparations for the 4<sup>th</sup> session of the UN Environment Assembly
- **22-23 March** 1<sup>st</sup> Joint Preparatory Retreat of Bureaux of the UN Environment Assembly and of the Committee of Permanent Representative (Nairobi)

- Decision on the theme of the 4th session of the UN Environment Assembly (no later than 31 March 2018)
- Early notification of the fourth session of the UN Environment Assembly
- Consideration of the follow-up of the 3<sup>rd</sup> session of the UN Environment Assembly and the Ministerial Outcome Document

- 3 March Africa Environment Day
- 3 March World Wildlife Day 2018
- **7 9 March** World Ocean Summit 2018 (Mexico)
- **12 16 March** 6<sup>th</sup> International Marine Debris Conference (San Diego, California, US)
- **18 23 March** 8<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum (Brasilia, Brazil)
- **18 24 March** The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)-6 Plenary and Stakeholder Day (Medellin, Colombia)
- **21 March** 68<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives of UN-Habitat
- **21 March** International Day of Forests
- 22 March World Water Day
- **26-27 March** Preparatory meeting for the UN Economic and Social Council special meeting (Prague, Czech Republic)

# **April 2018**

- **5 April** Informal breakfast meeting between the Western European and Other States Group and Mr. Erik Solheim (8.00 9.30 a.m. Norwegian Residence)
- **19 April** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 a.m. 12.30 p.m. CR4)
- **19 April** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (2.30 p.m. 4.30 p.m. CR4)
- 23 April Informal lunch meeting between the Group of League of Arab States and Mr. Erik Solheim (12.30 – 2.00 p.m. CW-115)
- **24 April** Bureau meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (9.30 a.m. 11.30 a.m. Executive Board Room)
- **24 April** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (2.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m., CR4)

- Preparations for participation of the Assembly President in the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development 2018
- Final consideration of contributions of the UN Environment Assembly to the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development 2018
- Consideration of the structure of the 4<sup>th</sup> session of UN Environment Assembly
- Consideration of a draft roadmap of the next Programme of Work and Budget
- Consideration of the date and format of the next meeting of the Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives

- **11-13 April** 10<sup>th</sup> Africa Carbon Forum (Nairobi, Kenya)
- 22 April Earth Day
- 23 26 April Financing for Development (FfD) Forum 2018 (New York City, US)
- **30 April 10 May** 48th Session of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies (Bonn, Germany)

## May 2018

- **3 May** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. CR4)
- **10 May** Bureau meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (8.00 a.m. 9.30 a.m. Governance Affairs Office Meeting Room)
- **10 May** 142<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (full day meeting: 10.00 a.m. 5.30 p.m. CR1
- **22 May** Briefing by the Carnegie Climate Geoengineering Governance Initiative (9.30 11.30 a.m. CR4)
- 23 May Workshop organized by the Carnegie Climate Geoengineering Imitative (8.30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CR13)
- **24 May** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 a.m. 12.30 p.m. CR4)
- **29-31 May** 1st Ad-Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group meeting on the marine litter and plastic resolution

- Decision on the format and date of the next meeting of the Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives (no later than 142<sup>nd</sup> Committee meeting)
- Consideration of the draft agenda for the Fifth Annual Subcommittee Meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives
- Consideration of the concept note for the theme of the Fourth Session of the UN Environment Assembly
- Discussion on the roadmap of Programme of Work tentative budget envelope options (Subcommittee meeting of 24 May)
- Letter from President of the Environment Assembly to all member States on the process of the Ministerial Outcome Document

- **2 May** Sustainable Energy for All Forum 2018 (Lisbon, Portugal)
- **13 16 May** 4<sup>th</sup> World Conference on Marine Biodiversity (TBC)
- **14 17 May** 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Basel Convention's Household Waste Partnership Working Group (Port Louis, Mauritius)
- 21 22 May Development Cooperation Forum 2018 (New York City, US)
- **22 May** International Biodiversity Day
- 23 May 3 June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (Colombo, Sri Lanka)

## June 2018

- **14 June** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (9.30 a.m. 12.30 p.m. CR4)
- **19 June** Bureau meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (2.30 p.m. 4.00 p.m. Executive Office Boardroom)
- **20 June** –Bureau meeting of the UN Environment Assembly (5:00 7:15 p.m. Executive Office Boardroom)
- **26 June** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting (2.00 p.m. 4.00 p.m. CR4)

- Consultations on a first draft outline of the new Programme of Work and budget envelope for 2020-2021
- 4 8 June 9<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties to the Nairobi Convention for the Protection, Management and Development of Marine and Coastal Environment of the Western Indian Ocean Region (Mombasa, Kenya)
- **5 June** World Environment Day
- **6 8 June** International Workshop on International Environmental Governance (Switzerland)
- 8 June World Oceans Day
- **20 June** 69<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives of UN-Habitat
- **2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2018** 6<sup>th</sup> Conference of Parties to the Framework Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Caspian Sea (Baku, Azerbaijan TBD)

July 2018		
Summer break	<ul> <li>Preparations for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Joint         Preparatory Meeting of the         Bureaux of the UN Environment         Assembly and of the Committee         of Permanent Representatives</li> <li>Statement by the President of the         Environment Assembly to the High-         Level Political Forum</li> <li>Finalization of the agenda of the         5<sup>th</sup> Annual Subcommittee         meeting of the Committee of         Permanent Representatives</li> </ul>	9 – 18 July – High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) 2018 (New York City, US)  10 – 11 July – Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Ministers of Environment Forum (Brades, Montserrat)  8 July – Montreal Protocol IMPCOM 60 (Vienna, Austria)  8 – 14 July – Montreal Protocol OEWG 40 (Vienna, Austria)  16 – 26 July – 30 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Animals Committee and 24 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Plants Committee of the Convention on International Trade with Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (Geneva, Switzerland)
August 2018		
Summer break	<ul> <li>Draft outline of the Ministerial         Outcome Document from the         President of the Assembly         shared with member States and         Stakeholders</li> <li>Preparations of documentation         for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Subcommittee         meeting of the Committee of         Permanent Representatives</li> </ul>	17 August – Launching Ceremony of the Interim Secretariat of China-Africa Environmental Cooperation Center (Nairobi, Kenya)  29 - 30 August - Global Landscape Forum "Landscape Restoration in Africa: Prospects and Opportunities" (Nairobi, Kenya)
September 2018		
6 – 7 September – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Joint Preparatory Retreat of the Bureaux of the UN Environment Assembly and of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (Tallinn, Estonia)  13 September – Orientation Session for new members of the Committee of Permanent representatives (9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CR4)	- Consultations on the draft outline of the Ministerial Outcome Document, followed by the development of a Zero Draft by the President of the Assembly to be shared with member States and Stakeholders  - Call for proposals for Assembly side events	3 – 6 September – 11 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Basel Convention's Open-ended Working Group (Geneva, Switzerland)  11 – 14 September - 14 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of Chemicals Review Committee, Rotterdam Convention (Rome, Italy)  15 – 16 September – Civil Society Regional Consultative Meeting for Africa (Gigiri, Nairobi, Kenya)
20 September – Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting	Preparation of the Executive     Director's report on the theme     of the Assembly	17 – 20 September - AMCEN Special Session (Gigiri, Nairobi, Kenya)
28 September – Bureau meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives	- Consultations on the draft Programme of Work and budget for 2020-2021	17 – 21 September – 14 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Stockholm Convention's Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee (Rome, Italy)
<b>28 September</b> – 143 <sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (full day meeting: 10.00 a.m. –	Consideration of the structure     and format of the Fourth     Environment Assembly	<b>19 September</b> – 70 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee of Permanent

5.30 p.m. CR1)	- Consideration of guidance to Member States on the process for developing resolutions for the Assembly
	Consideration of a

- Consideration of a communication Strategy for the Assembly
- Preparation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Subcommittee meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives

Representatives of UN-Habitat

**24 – 27 September** - GEO-6 Summary for Policy Makers Drafting Meeting. (Cancun, Mexico)

**25 September – 5 October** – 73<sup>rd</sup> Session of the UN General Assembly: High-level General Debate (New York City, US)

## October 2018

- **9 October TBC** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting
- **16 October TBC** Bureau meeting of the UN Environment Assembly
- **22 October TBC** Bureau meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives
- **22-26 October** 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Subcommittee meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (10:00a.m. 1:00p.m.; 2:00p.m. 5:00p.m. CR1)

- Consultations on the Zero draft Ministerial Outcome Document
- Launch of the on-line registration for the Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives and the Environment Assembly
- Initial consultations / presentations of draft resolutions/decisions for the Assembly
- In-depth consultations on an advanced draft Programme of Work and Budget 2020-2021 at the 5th Annual Subcommittee Meeting

- **1 5 October** 70<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) Standing Committee (Sochi, Russia)
- **7 11 October** GEO-6 review editors and scientific assessment panel meeting (Cairo, Egypt)
- **8 10 October** 8<sup>th</sup> Session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of Populations of European Bats (Monte Carlo, Monaco)
- 9 12 October (DATE TBD) XXI Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean (9-10 October: preparatory meeting of highlevel experts; 11-12 October: Ministerial segment)
- 21 25 October Council of Arab Ministers Responsible for the Environment (Cairo, Egypt)
- **21 29 October –** 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties to the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands (COP13) (Dubai, UAE)
- **28 31 October -** Our Oceans Conference 2018 (Bali, Indonesia)
- **29 October 2 November** SAICM OEWG3 (Dhaka, Bangladesh)
- **31 October 1 November -** The Fourth Intergovernmental Review of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities (Bali, Indonesia)

**Date TBC** – International Resource Panel IRP (Paris, France)

#### November 2018

- **8 November TBC** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting
- **22 November TBC** Bureau meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (early am Venue TBD)
- **22 November TBC** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting
- **27-29 November** 2<sup>nd</sup> Ad-Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group meeting on the marine litter and plastic resolution

- Consultations on the Zero draft Ministerial Outcome Document
- Preparations for the 4<sup>th</sup> Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives
- Finalization of the sixth Global Environment Outlook report
- Close of call for proposal for side events (30 November 2018)
- Finalization of the report of the Executive Director background report for the UN Environment Assembly
- Development of a draft scenario note of the 4<sup>th</sup> session of the UN Environment Assembly
- Consultations / presentations of draft resolutions/decisions
- Submission of a final draft
   Programme of Work 2020-2021
   to member States

- **3 November** Montreal Protocol IMPCOM 61 (Quito TBC)
- **5 9 November** 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (Quito, Ecuador) (High-level Segment of 8 November)
- 17 29 November 2018 UN
  Biodiversity Conference (14-15
  November High-level Segment):
  14<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Conference of
  the Parties to the Convention on
  Biological Diversity; 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of
  the Conference of the Parties
  serving as the meeting of the
  Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on
  Biosafety; 3rd Meeting of the
  Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on
  Access and Benefit-sharing (Sharm
  El-Sheikh, Egypt)
- **19 23 November** 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (Geneva, Switzerland) (High-Level segment not expected)
- **26 28 November** Nairobi blue economy conference
- **30 November 1 December** G20 Summit (Buenos Aires, Argentina)

November-December - 23<sup>rd</sup>
Intergovernmental meeting of the Action Plan for the Protection,
Management and Development of the Marine and Coastal
Environment of the Northwest
Pacific Region (Date TBD, Russian Federation)

#### December 2018

- **DATE TBC** Bureau meeting of the UN Environment Assembly
- **6 December TBC** Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting
- **18 December** Bureau meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (early am – Venue TBD)
- **18 December** 144<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives

- Draft Ministerial Outcome document shared with member States and Stakeholders
- Consultations on / presentations of draft resolutions/decisions
- Final preparations of background documentation for the Assembly
- Release of the sixth Global Environment Outlook Report on 11 December 2018 (3 months prior to the Assembly)
- Finalization of the draft Programme of Work 2020-2021 for consideration at the 144<sup>th</sup> Meeting
- **3 14 December** 24<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework
  Convention on Climate Change; 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and 3<sup>rd</sup> Agreement meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (Katowice, Poland)
- **4 8 December** 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds (TBD, Republic of South Africa)
- **6 December** 71<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives of UN-Habitat

	2019	
January 2019		
8 January TBC – Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting  17 January TBC – Bureau meeting of the UN Environment Assembly  29 January TBC – Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting	<ul> <li>Consultation on the draft         Ministerial Outcome Document</li> <li>Consultations on draft         resolutions/decisions</li> <li>Deadline for the submission of         draft resolutions ahead of Open         Ended meeting of the         Committee of Permanent         Representatives (exact date to         be further considered)</li> <li>Negotiations on the summary         for policy makers of the sixth         Global Environment Outlook         report for policymakers</li> <li>Finalization of logistical         arrangements for the Assembly</li> <li>Release of background reports         for the UN Environment         Assembly (22-25 January 2019)</li> </ul>	10 – 11 January – Partnership for Action on Green Economy (PAGE) Ministerial Conference (Durban, South Africa)  21 – 24 January (Date TBD) – Asia Pacific regional preparatory meeting for the Fourth Session of the UN Environment Assembly (21 January - Civil Society Organizations Meeting; 22-23 January - Senior Officers Meeting; and 23-24 January - Ministerial Segment)
February 2019  7 February TBC – Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee meeting  19 February TBC – Bureau meeting of Committee of Permanent Representatives  19 February TBC – 145 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives  26 February TBC – Joint Meeting of the Bureaux of the UN Environment Assembly and of the Committee of Permanent Representatives	- Consultation on the draft Ministerial Outcome Document  - Consultations on draft resolutions/decisions  - Briefing on logistical arrangements for the Assembly  - Final inputs to the draft Ministerial Outcome Document to be received by 25 February	
March 2019 4 – 8 March – Fourth Open-ended		
meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives  11 – 15 March - Fourth Session of the		
UN Environment Assembly		
April 2019		
	Assessment of the fourth session     of the UN Environment     Assembly	