UNECE RPM for Rio+20: Questions for discussion under agenda items 5, 6 and 7

Item 5

Assessment of progress in the implementation of the outcomes of the major summits on sustainable development and addressing new and emerging challenges

Questions for discussion

(a) What have been the major achievements in the region since the Rio Conference in 1992 and what efforts are needed to make further progress?

(b) What are the emerging challenges in the region and which policies and measures are required to effectively address them?

Item 6

A green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication

Questions for discussion

(a) What policy mixes have the potential to achieve a green, inclusive and competitive economy over the short, medium and long term, and what role does regional cooperation play in this respect?

(b) Which support measures should countries take to address the socio-economic impacts of structural change arising from the transition to the green economy?

(c) What are the most promising models for engaging the business in building the green economy?

(d) In which areas can the region share good practices and lessons learned to contribute to a global green economy?

Item 7

The institutional framework for sustainable development

Questions for discussion

(a) How can sustainable development be effectively reflected in financial and economic decision-making at the national level and how can intersectoral cooperation and decision-making be enhanced?

(b) How can the Major Groups effectively engage in decision-making processes at the national level?

(c) How can progress towards sustainable development be measured effectively?

(d) How can countries’ efforts be best supported through regional cooperation?