



# The High Level Mid-term Review meeting of the European Environment and Health Process

Haifa, Israel, 28-30 April 2015



# Environment and health: formal long-standing intersectoral collaboration



Action in Partnership



# About what?

- Report back on the progress on Parma commitments by the Member States, IGOs, NGOs and other EHP stakeholders;
- Evaluate what worked well and what did not;
- Agree on implementation priorities until the Sixth Ministerial Conference;
- Assess the Environment and Health Process as a whole;
- Provide a meaningful input to the preparations of the Sixth Ministerial Conference.



# The structure at a glance:

1. Opening
2. What has been achieved?
3. What has been learned?
4. How was it governed?
5. Which were the challenges?
6. What needs to be done to fulfill the commitments?
7. Where are we going?
8. Closing



# Documentation

## Working documents:

- *Mid Term Review Report*
- *Governing the European Environment and Health Process: lessons learned and way forward*

## Background and information documents:

- *Towards estimating the economic burden of the environmental burden of disease in the WHO European Region*
- *Status of the implementation of the European Regional Framework for Action on Climate Change and Health – Results of the survey of Member States*
- *Water and sanitation in the WHO European Region – 2014 highlights*
- *The school environment: policies and current status*
- *Human bio-monitoring: facts and figures*
- *Towards the elimination of asbestos-related diseases in the WHO European Region*



# Plenty of opportunities to get involved

- **Feedback to the country survey on policy implementation**
- **Mid Term Review Report**
- **Plenary discussions**
- **Poster and video sessions**
- **Display of publications/material**
- **Web, social media, advocacy and awareness raising events in countries**





# Substantial regional and national reporting

## MTR Report

6 thematic publications  
Country best practices

Extremely positive feedback  
from MS

More than 300 articles in  
press around the World



# MTR review: Strengths of the EHP to be capitalized in the preparation of the Sixth Ministerial Conference

**Well constructed political process**

**A strong institutional legitimacy (UNECE and WHO)**

**Technical excellence and relevance**

**National implementation mechanisms**



# The way forward

1. Finish the unfinished business of Parma
2. Review environment and health in the context of the 21<sup>st</sup> century
3. Clearly link the Process to the two strategic frameworks – Health 2020 and the Sustainable development goals
4. Commit to specific outcomes
5. Ensure that MS benefit directly from the regional process

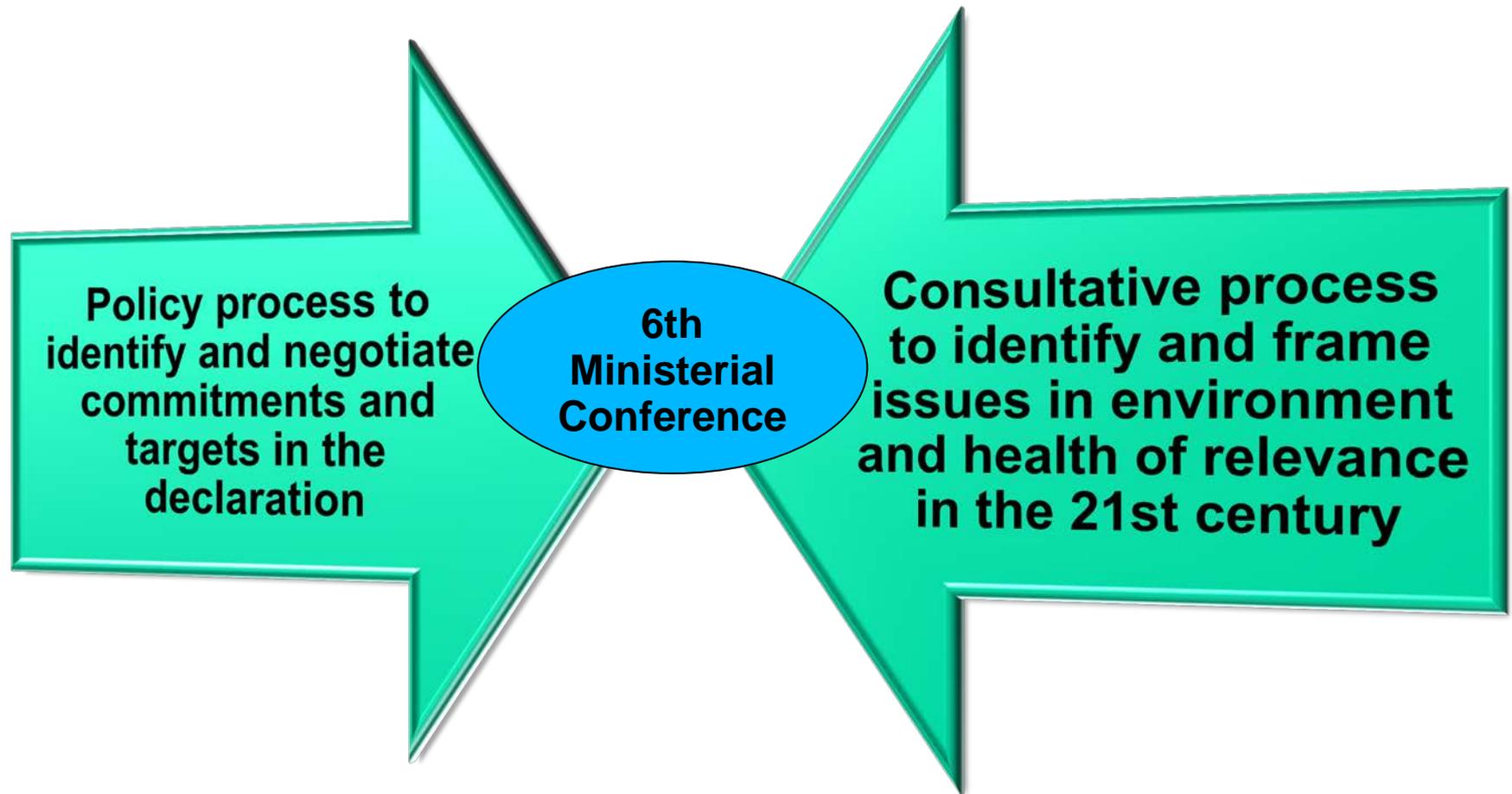


# Health 2020 – European health policy framework for the 21<sup>st</sup> century

- Address upstream determinants of health (environmental, social and economic)
- Address equity
- Establish and maintain good governance
- Work across and with other sectors
- Health as a human right
- Build resilient communities and safe environments



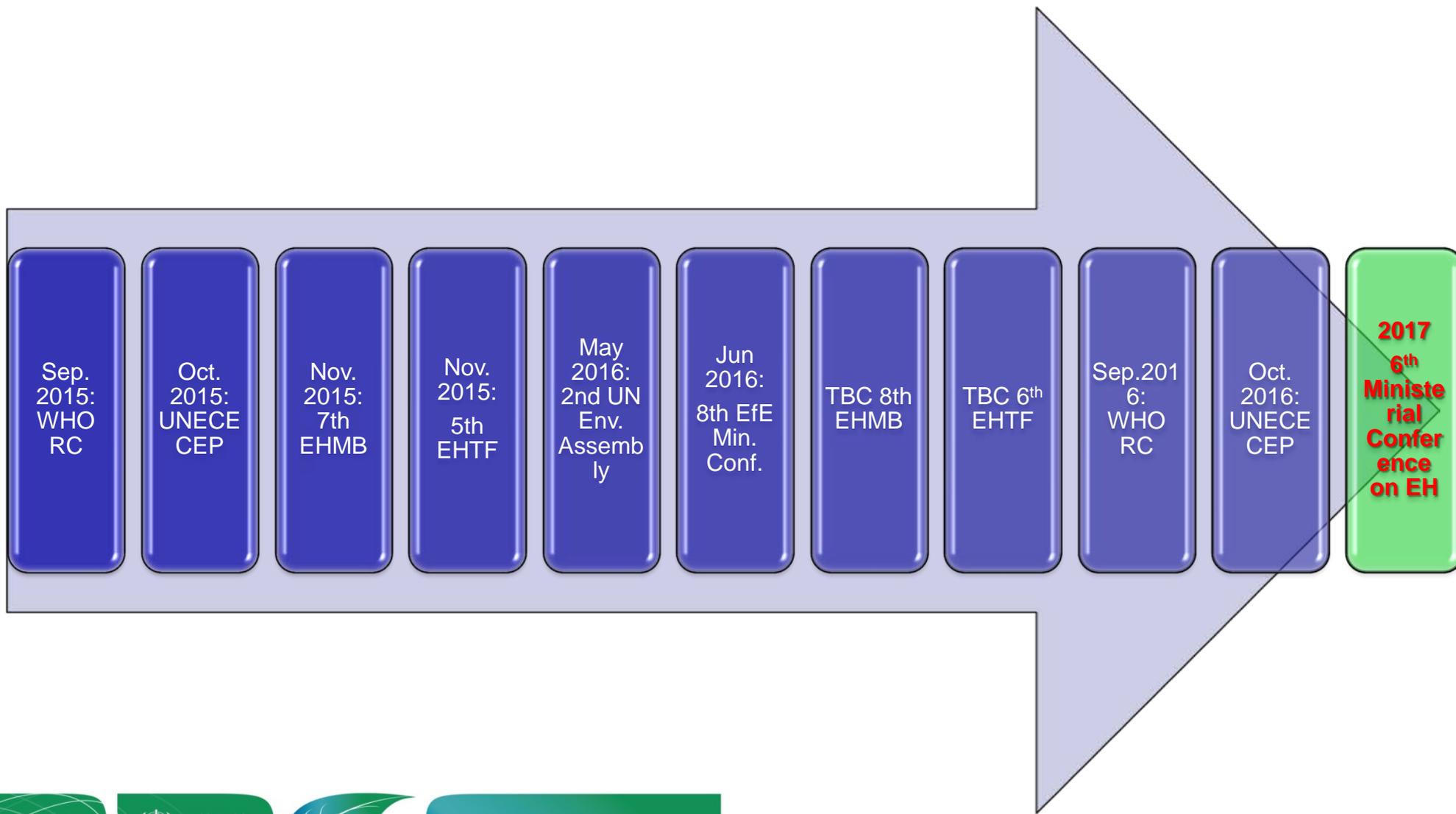
# Implement a Roadmap towards the Sixth Ministerial Conference in 2017



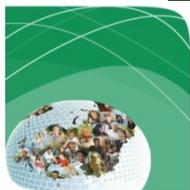
# Themes of the Roadmap to 2017



# Timeline towards the Sixth Ministerial Conference on Environment and Health



# On the way to the next Conference...!



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AND HEALTH PROCESS

