Environmental monitoring, assessment and reporting
Regional network of networks and Workplan
New mandate and terms of reference called for

- A consultation process to investigate the possibility of establishing a regional environmental information & assessment network of networks
  - Questionnaire circulated to explore potential drivers & topics for regional network of networks and expectations for its functioning
  - Informal background document on possible working modalities to explore possible scenarios for how it could be operationalized
  - Discussion by Working Group
  - Discussion by Joint Task Force

- Development of inclusive platform to discuss integration of environmental, economic & social considerations regarding 2030 Agenda, System of Environmental-Economic Accounting, green economy and other areas
Working Group on Environmental Monitoring and Assessment
Regional network of networks

- Working Group proposed
  - efforts should be directed towards improving participation in its activities and ensuring that it capitalizes on existing structures to achieve the objective of serving as a regional network of networks and to strengthen relations with current partners and others
  - secretariat should develop a document setting out how to use available structures to enhance the visibility of Working Group, improve participation in its meetings and activities and find topics of common interest for the pan-European region. In this way, Working Group would attract wider participation and thus itself continue to develop as a regional network of net

- Proposed modalities for establishing a regional environmental information & assessment network of networks (ECE/CEP/2017/14)
Approved the outline of activities leading up to 2021 (ECE/CEP/2017/13)

Based upon
- Batumi Ministerial Declaration
- Renewed mandate and terms of reference of Working Group
- Cooperation with the Joint Task Force

Planned activities grouped under four topics
- Sustainable Development Goals and green economy
- Reporting and assessment
- Environmental statistics
- Cross-cutting goals and objectives
A mid-term progress report on the establishment of the Shared Environmental Information System in Europe and Central Asia for 2018
Shared Environmental Information System
Mid-term review

- Scope – sufficient but realistic
- Assessment framework – comprehensive but not complex; easy to use
- Timetable – ambitious
- Focal points

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### Mid-term review

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