

Draft Annotated Agenda

Europe's Environment Assessment of Assessments

Second meeting of the Steering Group on Environmental Assessments

Monday, 1 November 2010, Geneva

Palais des Nations

10.00 Introduction and updates from Steering Group Members

SGEA members will be given the opportunity to report on any recent relevant developments, country and international initiatives that may be of interest for the EE-AoA process.

10.30 Presentations and discussions on progress to date:

- Follow-up and actions since the first SGEA meeting

The meeting will overview and discuss the steps taken since the first SGEA meeting in March to assess progress and identify actions which still need to be followed.

- Analysis and results of the Review Template

The EEA will demonstrate the use of the online EE-AoA Web Portal and present the current status of the input provided by the countries and international organizations in the Virtual Library and Review Template.

- Identified gaps (geographical coverage, thematic balance etc)

On the basis of the status report above, SGEA members will be expected to: discuss the coverage and contents of the work to date; give guidance on what to improve; make proposals how to fill gaps; and provide concrete suggestion about how to advance further the engagement with countries and international organizations to complete the needed coverage.

11.30 Discussion on the report for the Astana Conference:

- Outline of the report for the Astana Conference and report production (see paper)

As a basis for discussion, the EEA will give a presentation of the expected outline of the Astana report, its content and related products. This will cover the latest understanding of the assessment framework relevant for Astana and beyond, and important links to other related ongoing work in Europe (especially EEA's 2010 State & Outlook Report

and the transboundary water assessment for the Astana ministerial) and globally (GEO-5, Rio+20). Furthermore, the following elements will be presented and discussed: the analysis, country input and coverage of international conventions.

13.00-15.00 *Lunch break*

15.00 Continuation on the discussion on the report for the Astana Conference

16.30 Next steps:

Discussion on next steps in the assessment and production of the report:

- Role of Steering Group and members, countries and thematic experts
- Inputs and resource needs
- Consultation & review process
- Outcomes & products, translation & communication

SEGA members will be expected to discuss how to improve the framework for future cooperation with the Steering Group members, with countries and with the international organizations in order to achieve timely, relevant and reliable results. This will include the inputs and resources needs, the consultation and review process and the translation and communication of the expected outcomes and products.

17.30 Proposals for CEP consideration

The Steering Group will review the points to be taken to the UNECE/CEP on 2 November.

18.00 Meeting adjourns

The next formal meeting of the Steering Group is scheduled to be held in Geneva on 23 May 2011. If needed the Co-Chairs may convene another SGEA meeting either in person or by video or Web conferencing.
