

Economic Commission for Europe
Committee on Environmental Policy
Expert Group on Environmental Performance
Reviews

Thirty-first session

Geneva, 20 October (p.m.) – 23 October 2020

Annotated provisional agenda for the thirty-first session

**To be held in Room S4, Palais des Nations, Geneva,
starting at 14.00 on Tuesday, 20 October 2020,
and continuing at 10.00 on Wednesday, 21 October 2020 until Friday, 23
October 2020**

I. Provisional Agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Designation of rapporteur
3. Review of the third EPR of Romania
4. Other business

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Expert Group will be invited to adopt the agenda for its thirty-first session as contained in the present document.

2. Designation of rapporteur

The Expert Group will be invited to designate a rapporteur to report to the Committee on Environmental Policy, at its twenty-sixth session, on the results of the review of the third EPR of Romania.

3. Review of the third EPR of Romania

The draft report of the third environmental performance review of Romania will be circulated among meeting participants on 6 October 2020. Participants of the review meeting will be invited to submit their proposals and comments on the draft recommendations by 16 October 2020 by email (info.epr@un.org). The secretariat will consolidate the written proposals for modifications and circulate them among the meeting participants.

(a) Self introduction

Participants of the meeting will briefly introduce themselves.

(b) Introductory remarks by the Chair

The Chair will introduce the procedure and rules under which the review will proceed.

(c) Introductory statement by Romania

The Head of the delegation will present the expectations of his/her country from the third EPR.

(d) Discussion of individual chapters

Individual chapters will be discussed in the order and timeframe outlined in part III of this agenda.

Up to 35 minutes will be allocated to each chapter for discussion. This slot of time will be organized in the following way:

- Introduction to the chapter by the reviewers, members of the Expert Group: **5 minutes first reviewer, 5 minutes second reviewer**
- Reply by the country: **5 minutes**
- Discussion on the draft recommendations: **up to 20 minutes.**

Recommendations will be discussed in the order that they appear in the respective chapter in the report.

(e) Concluding remarks

The Chair will invite the delegation of Romania to make a concluding statement.

4. Other business

The secretariat will report on the activities conducted in 2020 in the framework of the United Nations Development Account Project “Evidence-based environmental governance and sustainable environmental policies in support of the 2030 Agenda in South-East Europe”.

III. Organization of work

<i>Date</i>	<i>Item(s) of the agenda</i>
Tuesday 20 October 2020	
14.00 – 16.00	Items 1-2
	Items 3(a)-(c)
	Item 4
Wednesday 21 October 2020	
10:00 – 12.00	Item 3(d) Chapter 1: Legal, policy and institutional framework Chapter 2: Regulatory and compliance assurance mechanisms
	Break
14.00 – 16.00	Chapter 3: Greening the economy Chapter 4: Environmental monitoring, information and science
Thursday 22 October 2020	
10:00 – 12.00	Chapter 5: Access to information, public participation and education on the environment Chapter 6: Implementation of international agreements and commitments
	Break
14.00 – 16.00	Chapter 7: Climate change Chapter 8: Air protection
Friday 22 October 2020	
10:00 – 12.00	Chapter 9: Water management Chapter 10: Waste and chemicals management
	Break
14.00 – 16.00	Chapter 11: Biodiversity and protected areas Item 3(e)