Report from the Task Force on Access to Justice to WGP-24

Report to the 24th Meeting of the Working Group of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention in Geneva 1-3 July 2020

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My presentation

- Study on A2J in information cases…
- Study on A2J in air quality cases from external reports…
- Case-law data base; 118 cases from 18 Parties…
- Planning for 12th Meeting of the Task Force on Access to Justice…
- Chair’s note on the future work of the TF…
A2J in Information Cases

- 12 Parties incl. EU, simple questionnaire, responses in fall of 2018, draft by chair discussed on the 12th Meeting of the Task Force in February 2019…

- Further discussion on Bureau meetings in June and September 2019…

- Another draft by the chair posted in the beginning of 2020…

- Viewpoints from Parties during the Spring…

- New draft submitted to secretariat in June, will be posted shortly…

- …to be finally discussed on 13th TF meeting…
...13th Meeting of TF on A2J in 2021

- Final discussion on Information study...
- First report on Study on Air Quality cases from examples from different regions; what can be learned..?
- Segment on Public Interest Lawyers and collective actions...
Chair’s note on the future...

- Annual meetings...
- Substance focus: Permits and collective redress, energy projects, chemicals management and biodiversity...
- Horizontal focus as well; positive examples..
- Tools promoting effective A2J; e-justice initiatives, ADR, etc....
- Collecting cases and data...
- Meetings, develop guidance, exchanging experience...
- Networking; workshops, webinars...
....and finally...

THANK YOU FOR LISTENING..!

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