



UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN STATISTICIANS

**through their
Joint Intersectoral Task Force on Environmental Indicators**

jointly with
UNITED NATIONS STATISTICS DIVISION

JOINT MEETING ON ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATORS

31 August - 2 September 2009, Geneva

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME OF THE JOINT MEETING

Item 1: Opening

Timing: Monday, 31 August, 10 – 10.15 a.m.

Opening statements by:

- (a) United Nations Statistics Division;
- (b) UNECE.

Item 2: Election of officers of the Joint Task Force on Environmental Indicators

Timing: 10.15 – 10.30 a.m.

The Joint Task Force will elect its Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson(s).

Item 3: Cooperation framework on environmental indicators for environmental experts and statisticians

Timing: 10.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Mr. Svein Homstvedt (Statistics Norway) will moderate the discussion on this item.

An introductory statement on the mandate of and expectations from the Joint Intersectoral Task Force on Environmental Indicators will be made by:

Mr. Mikhail Kokine (UNECE).

A presentation on the Shared Environmental Information System will be made by:

Ms. Adriana Gheorghe (European Environment Agency – EEA).

A presentation of the preliminary assessment of the application of the indicators from the UNECE Guidelines in the countries of Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asia and South-Eastern Europe (based on national reviews) will be made by:

Mr. Alexandre Shekhovtsov (Russian Federation).

The Joint Task Force will discuss thereafter priorities for cooperation on environmental indicators following brief introductory statements by the moderator. Participants will be invited to come up with their own ideas and proposals.

Item 4: Review of the Guidelines on the Application of Environmental Indicators

Timing: The Joint Meeting will work on this agenda item from Monday afternoon to Wednesday, 2 September, 11.30 a.m.

A. INDICATORS ON AIR AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Mr. Stephen Hall (Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, United Kingdom) will moderate the discussion on this sub-item.

1. Emissions of pollutants into the atmosphere

Timing: 3– 4.30 p.m.

Presentation will be made by the following keynote speaker:

Mr. Martin Adams (European Environment Agency - EEA).

Brief presentations of national experiences will be made by:

- (a) Ms. Natalia Shashlova (Federal State Statistics Service of the Russian Federation);
- (b) Mr. Leo Koltola (Statistics Finland).

Presentations and questions-and-answers periods will be followed by an interactive discussion.

2. Greenhouse gas emissions

Timing: 4.30 – 6 p.m.

Presentation will be made by the following keynote speaker:

Mr. Svein Homstvedt (Statistics Norway).

Brief presentation of national experiences will be made by:

Ms. Natalia Shashlova (Federal State Statistics Service of the Russian Federation).

Presentations and questions-and-answer periods will be followed by an interactive discussion.

B. INDICATOR ON FINAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION

Timing: Tuesday, 1 September, 9.30 – 11.00 a.m.

Ms. Ljubov Gornaja (EEA) will moderate the discussion on this sub-item.

Presentation will be made by the following keynote speaker:

Mr. Svein Homstvedt (Statistics Norway).

A brief presentation of national experiences will be made by:

Mr. Leo Koltola (Statistics Finland).

Presentations and questions-and-answers periods will be followed by an interactive discussion.

C. INDICATORS ON WATER

Ms. Reena Shah (UNSD) will moderate the discussion on this sub-item.

1. Household water use per capita

Timing: 11.00 – 12:30 p.m.

Presentations will be made by the following keynote speakers:

- (a) Mr. Rainer Enderlein (UNECE).
- (b) Mrs. Eszter Horvath (UNSD).

Presentations and questions-and-answers periods will be followed by an interactive discussion.

2. Drinking water quality

Timing: 2.30 p.m.– 3:30 p.m.

Presentation will be made by the following keynote speakers:

Mr. Rainer Enderlein (UNECE).

The presentation and a question-and-answer period will be followed by an interactive discussion.

D. INDICATORS ON LAND USE AND AGRICULTURE

Mr. David Stanners (EEA) will moderate the discussion on this sub-item.

1. Land uptake

Timing: 3.30 – 4.30 p.m.

Presentations will be made by the following keynote speakers:

- (a) Mr. Robert Mayo (FAO);
- (b) Ms. Ljubov Gornaja (EEA).

The presentations and a questions-and-answers period will be followed by an interactive discussion.

2. Fertilizer consumption

Timing: 4.30 – 5.30 p.m.

Presentation will be made by the following keynote speaker:

Mr. Robert Mayo (FAO)

Brief presentation of national experiences will be made by:

Ms. Natalia Shashlova (Federal State Statistics Service of the Russian Federation).

Presentations and questions-and-answers periods will be followed by an interactive discussion.

E. INDICATORS ON WASTE

Wednesday, 2 September, 9.30 – 12.30 p.m.

Mr. Martin Adams (EEA) will moderate the discussion on this sub-item.

1. Waste generation

Timing: 9.30 – 10.30 a.m.

Presentation will be made by the following keynote speaker:

Ms. Reena Shah (UNSD).

Brief presentation of national experiences on all waste indicators will be made by:

Mr. Leo Koltola (Statistics Finland).

The presentations and questions-and-answers periods will be followed by an interactive discussion.

2. Waste re-use and recycling

Timing: 10.30 – 11.30 a.m.

Presentation will be made by the following keynote speaker:

Ms. Reena Shah (UNSD).

The presentation and questions-and-answers periods will be followed by an interactive discussion.

3. Final waste disposal

Timing: 11.30 – 12.30 p.m.

Presentation will be made by the following keynote speaker:

Ms. Reena Shah (UNSD).

The presentation and questions-and-answers period will be followed by an interactive discussion.

Brief presentation of national experiences on all waste indicators will be made by:

Ms. Lyudmyla Kvashuk (State Committee of Statistics of Ukraine).

Item 5: Briefing on additional indicators not covered by the Guidelines

Timing: 2.30 – 4.00 p.m.

Mrs. Eszter Horvath (UNSD) will moderate the discussion on this item.

Presentations will be made by the following keynote speakers:

- (a) Mr. Martin Adams (EEA) on the EEA core set of indicators;
- (b) Mr. Robert Mayo (FAO) on indicator development in FAO;
- (c) Dr. Dafina Dalbokova (WHO/ECEH) on progress made in the development of health and environment indicators;
- (d) Mr. Merab Sharabidze (Black Sea Strategic Action Plan) on environmental indicators for Black Sea cooperation.

Each presentation will follow by a brief questions-and-answers period.

Item 6: Modern presentation formats and tools for effective dissemination of environmental indicators

Timing: 4:00 – 5.10 p.m.

Mr. Mikhail Kokine (UNECE) will moderate the discussion on this item.

Presentations will be made by the following keynote speakers:

- (a) Ms. Vania Etropolska (UNECE);
- (b) Mr. Stephen Hall (Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, United Kingdom).

The presentations and questions-and-answers period will be followed by an interactive discussion.

Item 7: Conclusions and closing

Timing: 5.10 – 5.30 p.m.

The Chairperson of the Joint Task Force will make a concluding statement on the main outcomes of the meeting.
