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## Joint Task Force on Environmental Statistics and Indicators

Agenda Item 8: Training session on the status of production, sharing and use of the regional set of environmental indicators and environmental statistics

### Revising the SEIS Assessment Framework


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Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS)


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**What is SEIS?**


- SEIS was established to create an improved environmental information system and to improve the exchange and use of environmental data and information.
- SEIS is a set of principles, operationalized as a distributed environmental information system that is connected and integrated with the help of modern technologies.



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**What did we set out to do?**

- Declaration: “Greener, cleaner, smarter!” by Ministers of the region of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE/BATUMI.CONF/2016/2/Add.1)


10. While welcoming progress in developing the Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS) to support a regular process of environmental assessment, we invite countries to continue their efforts and to **further develop their national information systems to have SEIS in place in the countries of Europe and Central Asia by 2021**. In this regard, we note the value of UNEP Live and the Group on Earth Observations as global knowledge-sharing platforms. We welcome the launch of the European regional assessment of the Global Environment Outlook, **as the regular pan-European environmental assessment**. The GEO-6 Assessment for the pan-European region is built on existing national, sub-regional and thematic assessments, including The European environment - state and outlook 2015 report produced by the European Environment Agency in 2015.

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**Working Group on Environmental Monitoring and Assessment**

- Following a decision by the Working Group at its twentieth session (Geneva, 3-4 September 2018), it was agreed to make further adjustments to the SEIS Assessment Framework (ECE/CEP/AC.10/2018/5).

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- Two groups: Meeting Room **VIII** (with interpretation) and **S-4** (without interpretation)

**Group I (Room VIII)**

- Agenda item 4. Amendments of the Guidelines for the Application of Environmental Indicators
  - Revising the metadata sheets
  - Revising the ECE set of environmental indicators
  - Revising the web-based guidelines

**Group II (Room S-4)**

- Agenda item 3. Progress in establishing a Shared Environmental Information System to support a regular process of environmental assessment.
  - Revising the SEIS Assessment Framework.

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Any questions?

