Highlights from the meeting with the Bureaux of EMEP and WGE

14-17 March 2016

The chairs of EMEP and WGE

The Assessment Report and trends reports

- The AR report, presented by the chairs of TFIAM and WGE, was welcomed and approved. Final comments could be made during the meeting or in the week theirafter
- The WGE trends report was approved
- The progress of the TFMM trends report was presented and the meeting urged for prompt finalisation.
 - Both reports will be available on the CLRTAP web site

The 2014-2015 work plan

- All subsidiary bodies to EMEP and WGE presented progress and achievements in relation to the 2014-2015 work plan.
- In general, the bodies achieved results in line with the work plan.
- It is however difficult to measure to what extent the objectives in the work plan is met.

2016-2017 work plan

- Setting priorities
 - The Bureaux could not agree on a definite list of priorities but requested the subsidary bodies to further discuss these items at their meetings.
 - Some aspects were however mentioned as particular important
 - Improvements on emission data in various aspects
 - Support to parties on national monitoring and research, access to data and development of tools.
 - Higher involvement of the national experts in the scientific work
 - Extension of technical support to EECCA
 - PM and ozone (health issues),
 - Cooperation with external partners (also to save resources)
 - The issue will be further discussed in September

2016-2017 work plan (cont.)

Setting priorities

- Should be driven by the conclusions of the AR and in relation to the ad hoc group under EB
- Should be driven by the resources that can be allocated to the scientific work
- The mandates of the EMEP task forces and Centres will be revised. A template has been presented and discussed in March. Revised mandates will be presented during the Joint EMEP/WGE meeting in September .
- A common web site for all WGE activities (together with EMEP)

Other issues

• CCE.

 The meeting expressed its deep concern with respect to the decrease and possible expire of national financial support. In particular, meeting saw a strong need for keeping the database and for processing the data from present call.

• Emissions

 There seems to be enough experts for both the stage 3 review and the adjusment review.

Outreach

- Workshop between EMEP and AMAP in February outlined particular areas for further collaboration.
- TF HTAP meeting followed to target more specific issues. There
 is a bifg interest from AMAP for our activities related to Mercury
 and POPs

Collaboration with Copernicus

- Copernicus is a European system for monitoring the Earth.
 Satellites and ground based monitoring. Aim to survey and monitor several areas of global and regional interest e.g. climate, agriculture, air pollution, water resources and security
- Copernicus Atmosphere Services (CAMS) are coordinated by ECMWF
- Interested in collaboration with EMEP/WGE
- Three areas were identified
 - Emissions
 - Monitoring
 - Scientific research

Copernicus collaboration (cont.)

- Emissions.
 - Collaboration on emission inventories between CAMS emission activities and CEIP/TFEIP
- Monitoring
 - Further development of monitoring in areas with scarce monitoring (preferably in the EECCA countries)
 - Interest to support data acquisition
- Research and development
 - Collaborate in areas where satellite measurements can fill gaps in source-receptor relationships and effects of transboundary and hemispheric distribution of atmospheric pollutants.