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**Annual programme of work of the Environment subprogramme for 2021****Draft programme of work of the Environment subprogramme for 2021****Note by the Secretariat****Introduction**

1. The present document sets out the draft programme of work of the Environment subprogramme (“the subprogramme”) for 2021. The Committee on Environmental Policy is invited to adopt and recommend it to the Executive Committee for approval. Any subsequent additional, discontinued or carried over outputs will be reflected in Umoja system used by the Secretariat for planning, monitoring and reporting on the implementation of the programme.
2. The draft programme of work applies a results-based management approach, a broad management approach that establishes a logical relationship between the hierarchical results (deliverables – objectives – impact) known as the “results chain”, the resources (human and financial) known as “inputs” and the external factors (strategic, governance, operational, financial), which can prevent the objective from being achieved.
3. The objective, the strategy, the planned results and the deliverables in the draft programme of work correspond to those contained in the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) proposed programme budget for 2021 (A/75/6 (Sect. 20)). The work of the subprogramme is aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals. In attaining its objective, the subprogramme builds on cross-sectoral collaboration with other subprogrammes in relevant ECE nexus areas where multiple Sustainable Development Goals converge.<sup>1</sup> This type of collaboration enables the subprogramme to maximize existing synergies, increase the efficiency of its work and have a multiplying effect on the impact of its actions to support countries in implementing Sustainable Development Goals. The subprogramme deliverables fall into the following main categories: (a) facilitation of the intergovernmental process and expert bodies; (b) generation and transfer of knowledge,

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<sup>1</sup> The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) nexus areas are as follows: (a) sustainable use of natural resources; (b) sustainable and smart cities for all ages; (c) sustainable mobility and smart connectivity; and (d) measuring and monitoring Sustainable Development Goals.



including technical cooperation projects, training events, seminars, workshops and publications; (c) other substantive deliverables, and (d) communication deliverables.

4. The details of the proposed publications are provided in annex I to the present document. The overall ECE legislative mandates and those specific to the subprogramme are listed in annex II to the present document.

## **I. Objective**

5. The objective – to which the subprogramme contributes – is to improve environmental governance and performance for safeguarding the environment and health.

## **II. Strategy**

6. Responsibility for the subprogramme is vested in the Environment Division.

7. The strategy of the subprogramme is based on the implementation of the core interlinked functions of international policy dialogue, normative work, capacity-building and the dissemination of good practices and lessons learned in the areas of air quality, water, industrial safety, public participation, impact assessment, environmental monitoring and assessment, environmental performance, education for sustainable development and mainstreaming of environmental concerns into other dimensions of sustainable development. Through its work, the subprogramme will contribute to the four ECE nexuses, as reflected in paragraph 3 above.

8. To contribute to improving environmental governance and performance for safeguarding the environment and health, the subprogramme will support the implementation of outcomes of global and regional summits and conferences on environment and sustainable development, including by supporting Governments in the achievement of all the Sustainable Development Goals, given that the environment represents one of the dimensions of sustainable development. The subprogramme will support and promote the implementation by countries of the ECE multilateral environmental agreements mainly contributing to achieving Goals 3 (good health and well-being), 6 (clean water and sanitation), 9 (industry, innovation and infrastructure), 11 (sustainable cities and communities), 12 (responsible consumption and production), 13 (climate action), 15 (life on land) and 17 (partnerships for the Goals). In addition, it will support and promote the implementation by countries of the ECE policy tools, including: the ECE Environmental Performance Review Programme, mainly contributing to achieving Goals 6, 11, 12, 13 and 15; the ECE Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Programme, mainly contributing to achieving Goal 17; the ECE Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development, contributing to achieving Goals 4 (quality education) and 12; and the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme, mainly contributing to achieving Goals 3, 11, 13 and 17. Furthermore, the subprogramme will support and promote the sharing of information (for example, through the Shared Environmental Information System), experiences and good practices in the ECE region, which is expected to result in strengthened integration of environmental concerns into sectoral policies in the ECE member States. The subprogramme will continue to promote synergies between ECE multilateral environmental agreements, which are expected to result in enhanced cross-border cooperation between countries and effective international and national cooperation.

9. To contribute to improving environmental governance and performance for safeguarding the environment and health, the subprogramme will also continue to conduct Environmental Performance Reviews, assisting countries in the implementation of the recommendations from those Reviews and monitoring the impact of the recommendations on national policies. Using a country needs-based approach, the subprogramme will support countries, with a focus on those in the Caucasus, Central Asia and Eastern and South-Eastern Europe, in environmental policymaking, monitoring, assessment and management, including by providing an intergovernmental platform for representative policymaking and decision-making, organizing workshops and training events and providing advisory services, which are expected to result in strengthened capacities of countries for the effective development

and implementation of environmental legislation and policy. Work will also be undertaken with interested non-ECE countries, in particular those wishing to join the multilateral environmental agreements that are open to global accession.

10. Past results in these areas include: (a) pragmatic road maps from the “Words into Action” series to guide policymakers, technical working groups, international organizations and non-governmental organizations in their work on disaster risk reduction, in particular on water-related disasters and transboundary cooperation, and on man-made and technological hazards; (b) a midterm review of the establishment of a Shared Environmental Information System in Europe and Central Asia, based on self-assessments of member States for selected environmental indicators; (c) gap analysis reviews of the establishment of the System, environmental data and information to cover the production of regional or international environmental indicators for seven countries in Central Asia, the Caucasus and South-Eastern Europe; (d) progress in ECE member States in moving towards more environmentally friendly and healthy transport thanks to the studies done under the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme, which highlighted the potential job creation of cycling promotion and the use of public transportation, and relay-race workshops, organized in Rimini, Italy, in 2018, and Kazan, Russian Federation, in 2019, which continued to provide the link between the national and local levels; (e) reducing fuel consumption and, therefore, pollution and expenditures by using eco-driving methods, which is another result achieved in some ECE countries, such as Austria, through Pan-European Programme partnerships; (f) reinforcing transboundary cooperation agreements in transboundary water basins through accession of the first countries from outside the ECE region, namely, Chad and Senegal, and an announcement of interest in ratifying the Convention by another 15 countries from outside the Pan-European region during the eighth session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes (Water Convention) (Nur-Sultan, 10–12 October 2018); and (g) establishing legally binding emissions reduction commitments for 2020 and beyond for the major air pollutants (sulphur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, ammonia, volatile organic compounds and fine particulate matter) through the entry into force, on 7 October 2019, in 18 countries in Europe and North America, of amendments to the Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone, negotiated under the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution and adopted in 2012.

### III. Planned results for 2021

#### Result 1: extension of the life of nuclear power plants (result carried over from 2020)

11. The subprogramme will continue the work related to the extension of the nuclear power plants, in line with its mandate, and will assist countries in widely disseminating and applying the guidelines to decisions on the extension of the life of nuclear power plants, which is expected to be demonstrated by the performance measure for 2021 below. For 2020, a proxy performance measure is indicated (see table 1 below), to reflect that the General Assembly, in its resolution [74/251 on programme planning \(A/RES/74/251\)](#), approved a programme narrative at the subprogramme level that is composed solely of the objectives.

Table 1

#### Performance measure

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
-	Absence of guidance on extending the life of nuclear power plants	Development of guidance on extending the life of nuclear power plants	Adoption of guidance on extending the life of nuclear power plants	Wide dissemination and application by countries of the guidance on

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
				extending the life of nuclear power plants

## **Result 2: enhanced environmental performance in the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe region (new result)**

12. The subprogramme has been supporting countries in improving their environmental governance and performance by conducting Environmental Performance Reviews, assisting countries in the implementation of the recommendations from those Reviews and monitoring the impact of the recommendations on national policies. Since the beginning of the third cycle of Reviews, in 2012, 16 countries have requested ECE to conduct a Review of their environmental performance. During the period 2012–2017, third-cycle Reviews were conducted in the Republic of Moldova (2013), Montenegro (2014), Serbia (2014), Georgia (2015), Belarus (2015), Tajikistan (2017), Bulgaria (2017), Albania (2017) and Bosnia and Herzegovina (2017). In 2018, third-cycle Reviews were conducted in Kazakhstan and North Macedonia. Romania and Uzbekistan were undergoing their Reviews in 2019. Requests for further Reviews have been received from Azerbaijan, Morocco and Ukraine, which are expected to be conducted during the period 2020–2021. Reviews take 12 to 18 months to complete and are published in the following year.

13. The efficiency and effectiveness of the Environmental Performance Review methodology have attracted the attention of countries outside the ECE region, leading to requests for a transfer of know-how from ECE to other United Nations regional commissions. Morocco was the first country outside the ECE region for which a Review was carried out – in 2012, by ECE in cooperation with the Economic Commission for Africa – followed by Mongolia in 2017 – in cooperation with the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

14. Third-cycle Environmental Performance Reviews focus on environmental governance and financing in a green economy context, countries' cooperation with the international community and environmental mainstreaming in priority sectors. The subprogramme assists, on an ad hoc basis upon request, reviewed countries in their efforts to implement recommendations from their Reviews by organizing regional and subregional workshops focused on specific topics addressed in the Reviews (for example, on environment and transport, or environment and energy) and capacity development work at the national level, including through implementing United Nations Development Account projects.

15. Since 2017, Environmental Performance Reviews have addressed relevant Sustainable Development Goals and targets thereof. The Reviews have the potential to address up to 137 relevant targets under all the Goals. The coverage of targets is tailored to the content of each Review, which, in turn, is determined in consultation with the Government concerned. While relevant targets of the Goals have been addressed in the Reviews conducted since 2017, those most covered are Goals 6, 11, 12, 13 and 15.<sup>2</sup>

### **Internal challenge and response**

16. The challenge for the subprogramme, as identified in the 2019 evaluation of the Environment Performance Review Programme<sup>3</sup> carried out at the request of ECE, was to establish a more effective and structured approach to supporting efforts by countries in achieving and monitoring the Sustainable Development Goals and their targets covered by the Reviews. In response, the subprogramme will work with the ECE Expert Group on Environmental Performance Reviews to revise the structure of the chapters in order to:

<sup>2</sup> Coverage of the Sustainable Development Goals and their targets can be viewed at [www.unece.org/env/epr](http://www.unece.org/env/epr).

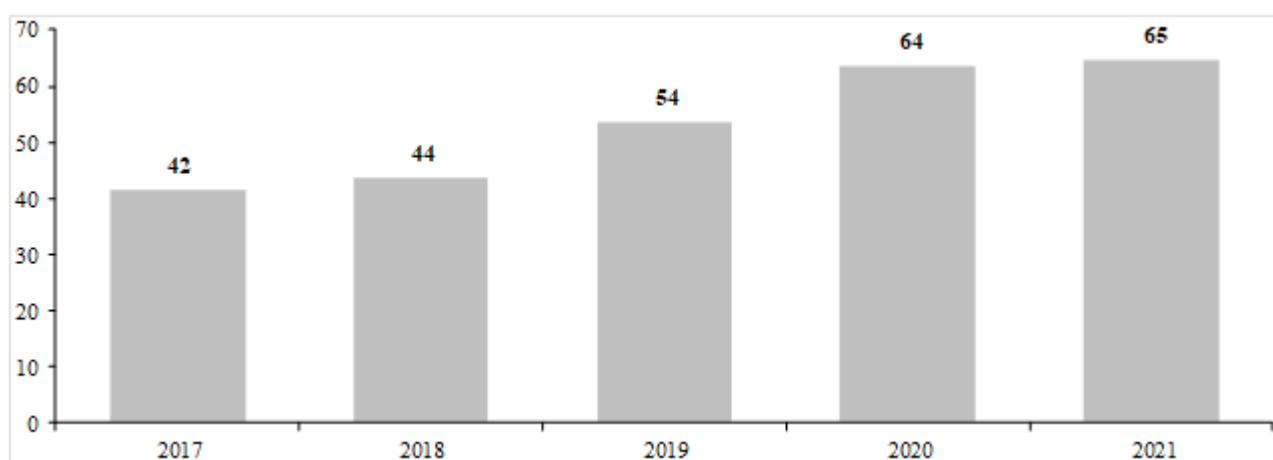
<sup>3</sup> Available at [www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/OPEN\\_UNECE/03\\_Evaluation\\_and\\_Audit/Evaluation\\_Reports-with\\_SPs/01-Environment/Evaluation\\_of\\_EPR\\_2015-2019.pdf](http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/OPEN_UNECE/03_Evaluation_and_Audit/Evaluation_Reports-with_SPs/01-Environment/Evaluation_of_EPR_2015-2019.pdf).

integrate the Goals more deeply and coherently; design capacity development activities and materials to support countries in their implementation of the relevant recommendations; and extend cooperation with other United Nations entities and international organizations.

#### **Expected progress towards the attainment of the objective, and performance measure**

17. This work is expected to contribute to improved environmental governance for safeguarding the environment and health in the reviewed countries, which would be demonstrated by the number of Sustainable Development Goals and relevant targets covered by Environmental Performance Reviews. The figure below illustrates the coverage of the Sustainable Development Goals by the Reviews in countries reviewed since 2017. The number of targets covered by future Reviews will depend on the topics chosen for their Review by the countries concerned, but is expected to remain close to one third of all 169 targets in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

#### **Performance measure: number of targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development covered by Environmental Performance Reviews**



## **IV. External factors**

18. The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objective on the assumption that:

- (a) Member States continue to support the work of ECE;
- (b) All relevant stakeholders at the national level have the political will and sufficient capacity to integrate the environmental dimension into policy formulation and to implement national legislation in accordance with the ECE multilateral environmental agreements;
- (c) All relevant stakeholders at the national level have sufficient awareness of environmental issues and the active support of the public in the implementation of national and regional policies;
- (d) Voluntary resources continue to be available;
- (e) At the country level, there is no critical impact on resource availability owing to global, regional or national economic developments.

## **V. Deliverables to be implemented in 2021**

19. Table 2 below table lists all deliverables, by category and subcategory, that are expected to contribute to the attainment of the objective stated above.

Table 2  
**List of deliverables, by category and subcategory**

<i>Deliverables</i>	<i>2021 plan</i>
<b>A. Facilitation of the intergovernmental process and expert bodies:</b>	
<b>Parliamentary documentation (number of documents)</b>	<b>190</b>
1. Documentation for the Committee on Environmental Policy and subsidiary bodies	30
2. Documentation for the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes and subsidiary bodies and the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Water and Health and subsidiary bodies	30
3. Documentation for the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents and subsidiary bodies	-
4. Documentation for the Executive Body for the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution and subsidiary bodies	34
5. Documentation for the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context and subsidiary bodies and the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context and subsidiary bodies	10
6. Documentation for the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters and subsidiary bodies and the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters and subsidiary bodies	71
7. Documentation for the High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment and subsidiary bodies	4
8. Documentation for the Steering Committee on Education for Sustainable Development	11
<b>Substantive services for meetings (number of three-hour meetings)</b>	<b>243</b>
9. Meetings of the Committee on Environmental Policy and subsidiary bodies	30
10. Meetings of the Parties to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes and subsidiary bodies and Meetings of the Parties to the Protocol on Water and Health and subsidiary bodies	48
11. Meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents and subsidiary bodies	17
12. Meetings of the Executive Body for the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution and subsidiary bodies	31
13. Meetings of the Parties to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context and subsidiary bodies and Meetings of the Parties to the Convention serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on	34

<i>Deliverables</i>	<i>2021 plan</i>
Strategic Environmental Assessment to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context and subsidiary bodies	
14. Meetings of the Parties to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters and subsidiary bodies and Meetings of the Parties to the Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers and subsidiary bodies	74
15. Meetings of the High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment and subsidiary bodies	3
16. Meetings of the Steering Committee on Education for Sustainable Development	6
<b>B. Generation and transfer of knowledge:</b>	
<b>Seminars, workshops and training events (number of days)</b>	<b>71</b>
17. Workshops on environmental issues, including on air quality, water, industrial safety, public participation, environmental assessment, monitoring and performance and education for sustainable development, for government officials and other stakeholders in the ECE region to improve environmental governance and performance	71
<b>Publications (number of publications)</b>	<b>17</b>
18. Guidance, policy briefs, good practice publications on environmental issues and multilateral environmental agreements administered by the subprogramme	10
19. Progress reports and performance reviews on environmental issues	2
20. Multilateral environmental agreements administered by the subprogramme, after amendments enter into force	1
21. Publications on the multilateral environmental agreements administered by the subprogramme	4
<b>C. Substantive deliverables:</b>	
Consultation, advice and advocacy: advisory services for government officials and other stakeholders of member States of the United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia on water, energy and other environmental issues (6)	
<b>D. Communication deliverables:</b>	
Outreach programmes, special events and information materials: environmental performance review (synopsis (2) and highlights (2)); Electronic newsletter of the Working Group on Environmental Monitoring and Assessment	
External and media relations: press releases on environmental issues (5)	
Digital platforms and multimedia content: update and maintenance of the website of the subprogramme	

## Annex I

## Details of proposed publications and information materials for 2021

## A. Publications

<i>Item No.</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Mandate</i>	<i>Print and/or electronic</i>	<i>Trim size</i>	<i>No. of pages</i>	<i>Original language(s)</i>	<i>Translated language(s) and source of funding (RB or XB)</i>	<i>No. of copies and language(s)</i>
1	Code of good practice for wood-burning and small combustion installations	ECE/EB.AIR/144 (para. 27 (b))	Print and electronic	A4	37	E	F, R - already translated (all RB)	300E, 50F, 100R
2	Seventh pan-European environmental assessment	ECE/CEP/2017/2 (annex II, para. 2 (b))	Print and electronic	A4	180	E	F, R (all RB)	600E, 100F, 200R
3	Environmental performance review of specific member country	ECE/AST.ANA.CO.NF/2011/2/Add.1 (para. 13); ECE/CEP/S/2011/2 (paras. 72,73 and 84 (v))	Print and electronic	A4	500	E	R (RB): Translated into R only if it is an official language in the reviewed country	800E, 500R
4	Environmental performance review of specific member country	ECE/AST.ANA.CO.NF/2011/2/Add.1 (para. 13); ECE/CEP/S/2011/2 (paras. 72, 73 and 84 (v))	Print and electronic	A4	500	E	F (RB): Translated into F only if it is an official language in the reviewed country	800E, 500F
5	Reprint of the Aarhus Convention (once GMO amendment enters into force)	ECE/MP.PP/2014/2 (para. 22)	Print and electronic	A4	180	trilingual - E/F/R; A; S, C	A, C, S (all RB): only about 5 pages will need to be translated	2000 (trilingual - E/F/R); 1000A, 1000C, 1000S
6	GMO Pocket Guide -	Is expected from the twenty-fourth	Print and electronic	A4	80	E	F, R (all RB)	1000E, 1000F, 1000R



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		meeting of the Working Group of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention in 2020						
7	Sixth Review of Implementation of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (2016–2018)	ECE/MP. EIA/23/Add.2–ECE/MP. EIA/SEA/7/Add.2, decision VII/1 (paras. 11 and 12)	Electronic		40	E/F/R	F, R (all RB) (About 4 pages to be translated)	Electronic only publication
8	Third Review of Implementation of the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment (2016–2018)	ECE/MP. EIA/23/Add.3–ECE/MP. EIA/SEA/7/Add.3, decision III/1 (paras. 10–12)	Electronic		45	E/F/R	F, R (all RB) (About 4 pages to be translated)	Electronic only publication
9	Progress report on implementing the UNECE Strategy for ESD from 2015 to 2020 and good practice examples	Expected from the ECE Steering Committee on Education for Sustainable Development in 2020	Print and electronic	A4	180	E	F, R (all RB)	300E, 50F, 300R
10	Good practices in UNECE region: Youth Engagement in Education for Sustainable Development	Expected from the ECE Steering Committee on Education for Sustainable	Print and electronic	A4	120	E	F, R (all RB)	300E, 50F, 300R

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		e Development in 2020						
11	Implementation guide on the Industrial Accidents Convention for Eastern Europe and the Caucasus	Expected from Conference of the Parties to the Industrial Accidents Convention at its eleventh meeting (Bonn, Germany, 1–3 December 2020)	Print and electronic	A4	90	R	E, F (all RB)	400E, 200F 500R
12	Handbook on water allocation in the transboundary context	ECE/MP. WAT/54/Add.1, programme activity 3.3.1	Print and electronic	A4	100	E	A, F, R, S Translation into A and S to be covered from XB resources; F and R - RB	100A, 500E, 200F, 100R, 100S
13	Solutions to water-food-energy-ecosystems Nexus issues and experiences from addressing the Nexus	ECE/MP. WAT/54/Add.1, programme activity 3.2.1	Print and electronic	A4	80	E	A, F, R, S Translation into A and S to be covered from XB resources; F and R - RB	100A, 500E, 200F, 100R, 100S
14	Developing agreements in transboundary basins: checklist and good practices	ECE/MP. WAT/54/Add.1, programme area 1.3	Print and electronic	A4	60	E	A, F, R, S Translation into A and S to be covered from XB resources; F and R - RB	100A, 500E, 200F, 100R, 100S

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15	Water policy reforms in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia – Achievements of the European Union Water Initiative 2006–2020	ECE/MP. WAT/WG.1/2019/2 (para. 65 (b))	Print and electronic	A4	30	E	R (RB)	150E, 100R
16	Policy and technical guidance on sanitation management	ECE/MP. WH/19/Add.1–EUPCR/1814149/1.2/2019/MOP-5/06/Add.1 Programme area 5	Print and electronic	A4	80	E	F, R (all RB)	300E, 100F, 100R
17	Progress on transboundary water cooperation under the Water Convention	ECE/MP. WAT/WG.2/2019/2 - forthcoming	Print and electronic	A4	80	E	F, R (all RB)	400E, 200F, 300R

## B. Information/promotional materials

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*Abbreviations:* A, Arabic; C, Chinese; E, English; ESC, education for sustainable development; F, French; GMO, genetically modified organism; R, Russian; RX, regular budget; S, Spanish; XB, extrabudgetary.

**Annex II****Legislative mandates****A. Overall United Nations Economic Commission for Europe legislative mandates****1. General Assembly resolutions**

<i>No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
<u>66/288</u>	The future we want
<u>67/10</u>	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Eurasian Economic Community
<u>67/290</u>	Format and organizational aspects of the high-level political forum on sustainable development
<u>69/277</u>	Political declaration on strengthening cooperation between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations
<u>69/313</u>	Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development (Addis Ababa Action Agenda)
<u>70/1</u>	Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
<u>70/133</u>	Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly
<u>70/221</u>	Operational activities for development of the United Nations system
<u>71/14</u>	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization
<u>71/16</u>	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization
<u>71/162</u>	Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly
<u>71/243</u>	Quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system
<u>72/230</u>	Development cooperation with middle-income countries
<u>72/234</u>	Women in development
<u>72/237</u>	South-South Cooperation
<u>72/279</u>	Repositioning of the United Nations development system in the context of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system
<u>73/10</u>	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Central European Initiative

<i>No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
<u>73/13</u>	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization
<u>73/14</u>	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development – GUAM
<u>73/16</u>	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Commonwealth of Independent States
<u>73/195</u>	Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration
<u>73/231</u>	Disaster risk reduction
<u>73/236</u>	Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all
<u>74/216</u>	Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

## 2. Resolutions of the Economic and Social Council

<i>No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
1998/46	Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields
2006/38	Workplan on reform of the Economic Commission for Europe and revised terms of reference of the Commission
<u>2013/1</u>	Outcome of the review of the 2005 reform of the Economic Commission for Europe

## 3. Economic Commission for Europe decisions

<i>No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
A (64)	The Work of the Economic Commission for Europe
A (65)	Outcome of the review of the 2005 reform of ECE
A (66)	Endorsement of the High-level statement on the post-2015 development agenda and expected sustainable development goals in the ECE region
A (68)	High-level statement
B (68)	Extension of the mandate of the Regional Forum on Sustainable Development

## B. Legislative mandates specific to the subprogramme

### 1. Resolutions of the General Assembly

<i>No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
<u>2994 (XXVII)</u>	United Nations Conference on the Human Environment

<i>No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
<u>47/193</u>	Observance of World Day for Water
<u>62/68</u>	Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm
<u>64/200</u>	International Strategy for Disaster Reduction
<u>67/291</u>	Sanitation for All
<u>69/172</u>	Human rights in the administration of justice
<u>69/215</u>	International Decade for Action, “Water for Life”, 2005–2015, and further efforts to achieve the sustainable development of water resources
<u>69/235</u>	Industrial development cooperation
<u>70/169</u>	The human right to safe drinking water and sanitation
<u>70/209</u>	United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (2005–2014)
<u>71/222</u>	International Decade for Action, “Water for Sustainable Development”, 2018–2028
<u>71/313</u>	Work of the Statistical Commission pertaining to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
<u>72/222</u>	Education for sustainable development in the framework of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
<u>73/226</u>	Midterm comprehensive review of the implementation of the International Decade for Action, “Water for Sustainable Development”, 2018–2028

## 2. Economic Commission for Europe decisions

<i>No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
CEP/AC.13/ 2005/2	Report of the High-level meeting of Environment and Education Ministries (2005) adopting the UNECE Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development
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ECE/MP.PP/ 2017/16–ECE/MP.PRTR/ 2017/2 and Add.1	Report of the Joint High-level Segment of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) on its sixth session, and the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers on its third session, and the Budva Declaration on Environmental Democracy for Our Sustainable Future, adopted at the two Meetings of the Parties
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