# Key issues, documents and timetable


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| Item 1: Adoption of the agenda | Monday 10:00-10:15 | • Annotated provisional agenda (ECE/MP.EIA/WG.1/2008/1)  
• Report of the 4th meeting of the Parties (ECE/MP.EIA/10)  
• Rules of Procedure (decision I/1) | • Delegations might consider the definition and role of observers (rule 7 of the rules of procedure), and might agree to establish a small group to draft recommendations. |
| Item 2: Status of ratification of the Convention, its amendments and its Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment | Monday 10:15-11:00 | • Status of ratification as at 12 February 2009 (90 days before end of meeting) (informal document, English only)  
• For latest situation, see [http://www.unece.org/env/eia/ratification.htm](http://www.unece.org/env/eia/ratification.htm) | • Delegations might report on planned ratifications.  
• The delegations of Member States that are not Parties to the Convention (Andorra, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Russian Federation, San Marino, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, United States of America, and Uzbekistan) might report on preparations for their ratification and implementation of the Convention, and identify measures to support their ratification.  
• Delegations are to decide on the timing and preparations for third meeting of the Signatories to the Protocol.  
• Delegations might agree a list of possible decisions and establish a small group to develop drafts. |
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| Item 3: Compliance with and implementation of the Convention | Monday 11:00-13:00 | • Report of the Implementation Committee’s fifteenth session (ECE/MP.EIA/IC/2008/2)  
• Questionnaire on implementation of the Convention in the period 2006-2009 (informal document, English and Russian)  
• Detailed timetable for the questionnaire’s issue and completion and for preparation of the draft 3rd review of implementation (informal document, English only). | • The delegations of Armenia and Ukraine, among others, might wish to comment on the report of Chair of the Committee.  
• Delegations might report on how they have responded to the findings of the 2nd Review of Implementation.  
• Delegations are to recommend any necessary amendments to the draft questionnaire and to agree its subsequent circulation.  
• Delegations are to agree a detailed timetable for submission of completed questionnaires, and for generation of the subsequent draft 3rd review of implementation.  
• Delegations might agree to establish a small group to provide editorial advice to the secretariat on preparation of the draft 3rd review. |
| Item 4: Subregional cooperation and capacity-building | Monday 15:00-16:00 | • Summaries of the workshop findings (ECE/MP.EIA/WG.1/2009/3)  
• See website http://www.unece.org/env/eia/bucharest_agreement.html | • The delegations of Bulgaria and Republic of Moldova are to report on subregional workshops.  
• Delegations might recommend that the short awareness-raising paper on the relationship between EIA and SEA be considered by the Meeting of the Signatories to the Protocol for possible action.  
• Lead countries for the other subregional workshops might report on the outcomes of their activities, or on preparations for workshops.  
• The delegation of Romania is to report on the status of the Bucharest Agreement.  
• The delegations of the countries of South-Eastern Europe might report on actions taken to bring about the entry into force of the Bucharest Agreement. |
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| Item 5: Exchange of good practices                                         | Tuesday 10:00-13:00 15:00-18:00 | • Application of the Convention to complex activities (ECE/MP.EIA/WG.1/2009/4)  
• Parts Two and Three of Current Policies, Strategies and Aspects of EIA in a Transboundary Context, 1996, number 6 in the environment series (ECE/CEP/9) (English only)  
• Programme for seminar (informal, English and Russian) | • Delegations are to decide on follow-up actions regarding the application of the Convention to complex activities, including large-scale projects. Actions might include the establishment of a small group to draft guidelines or recommendations. |
| (a) Large-scale transboundary projects                                      |                               |                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| (b) Other activities foreseen in the workplan                              | Monday 16:00-17:00            | • Checklist for financial institutions on projects with transboundary impacts (informal, English and Russian) | • The representative of EBRD is to report on progress with the preparation of the guidance note and checklist.  
• Delegations might decide on possible follow-up actions.                     |
| Item 6: Promoting ratification and application of the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment | Monday 17:00-18:00           | • See website: [http://www.unece.org/env/sea/eecca_capacity.htm](http://www.unece.org/env/sea/eecca_capacity.htm) and [http://www.unece.org/env/sea/belgrade_initiative.htm](http://www.unece.org/env/sea/belgrade_initiative.htm) | • The representative of UNDP is to report on the holding of the subregional training workshop.  
• The delegations of Slovenia, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan are to report on preparations for activities to facilitate the ratification of the Protocol.  
• The representative of UNDP and the delegations of Armenia, Belarus and Republic of Moldova might provide further information on the Belgrade Initiative on SEA. |
| Item 7: Budget and financial arrangements                                  | Wednesday 10:00-11:00        | • Biannual financial report (informal, English only)  
• List of contributions received (informal, English only) | • Delegations might provide information on further contributions.  
• Delegations might respond to the Bureau’s actions to encourage further contributions to the trust fund. |
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<td>Item 8: Financial assistance to representatives of countries with economies in transition, non-governmental organizations and countries outside the region</td>
<td>Wednesday 11:00-12:00</td>
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<td>• Delegations might respond to the Bureau’s proposal on a mechanism for promoting greater participation of NGOs in work under, and the application of, the Convention.</td>
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<td>Item 9: Other business</td>
<td>Wednesday 12:00-13:00 15:00-…</td>
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<td>Item 10: Presentation of the main decisions taken and closing of the meeting</td>
<td>Wednesday …-18:00</td>
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<td>• Delegations are to agree on the main decisions taken at the meeting, amended as necessary, and to agree on the date and venue of next meeting.</td>
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