

Working Group on Strategies and Review

Update on the Sixty-Second Session

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WGSR62 – Agenda:

- The WGSR will cover:
 - Progress in the Implementation of the 2024 – 2025 workplan
 - **Revision of the Protocol to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone, as amended in 2012.**
 - Review of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Body
 - Information-sharing by Parties on the implementation of the Convention
 - Financial Requirements for Implementation of the Convention

Focus on Gothenburg:

- **Revision of the 2012 Gothenburg Protocol:**
 - Draft Plan for the re-negotiations
 - Requesting views from Parties on the order of negotiations as set out in: **ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2024/1**
 - Items proposed to be discussed at WGSR62
 - **Overarching target on heath and Ecosystems:** Tentative discussions on Scope and Indicator(s) for proposed targets (see ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2024/INF.4)
 - **New Emission Reductions Targets:** Tentative discussion of potential base and target years
 - **Methane:** Tentative discussions on how to include methane in in a revised protocol
 - **Technical Annexes:** Tentative discussions on the scope of new annexes
 - **Approaches for Non-Parties:** Tentative discussions of popular approaches to increase implementation and ratification of an amended protocol (see ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2024/INF.7)

Other issues:

- **Progress on implementation of the 2024 – 2025 Workplan:**

- The Co-Chairs of the Task Force on Techno-economic Issues, the Task Force on Reactive Nitrogen, the Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling and the Task Force for International Cooperation on Air Pollution will present progress in the implementation of the 2024–2025 workplan for the implementation of the Convention (ECE/EB.AIR/154/Add.1)
- The Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling will also present the following draft guidance:
 - Clean air in cities (ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2024/INF.5)
 - Draft guidance document on behavioural and structural measures (ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2024/INF.6)

- **Review of the rules of procedure for sessions of the Executive Body**

- The Working Group will be invited to consider the review options and to provide possible recommendations to the Executive Body meeting at its forty-fourth session for possible rule changes.

- **Financial requirements for implementation of the Convention**

- The Working Group will be invited to take note of the information received and expected contributions, as well as on the impact of the liquidity crisis in the United Nations Secretariat on the resources available from the United Nations regular budget to support the implementation of intergovernmental activities under the Convention.



Informal Delegates Meeting:

- An informal delegates meeting will be held from 21–24 October 2024 in Leuven, Belgium.
- The meeting will be chaired jointly by the Chairs of the Executive Body (EB) and the Working Group on Strategies and Review (WGSR).
- The meeting will focus on issues under discussion for the Gothenburg Protocol revision
- Chairs of Task Forces and Centres are also invited to participate
- Parties are encouraged to consider helping with financial contributions to help current Non-Parties to the Protocol to attend.