Item 2 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the thirteenth session*

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, 17 November 2015

I. Provisional agenda

A. THE PEP 2015 Symposium: Goal 3 of the Paris Declaration

1. THE PEP 2015 Symposium.

* The Steering Committee will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva, Palais des Nations. In accordance with United Nations accreditation procedures, participants are requested to complete the registration form available on the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) website (www.unece.org/meetings/practical_information/confpart.pdf) and to send it to the secretariat by e-mail (secretariat@thepep.org) no later than two weeks before the meeting. On the day of the meeting, delegates should obtain an identification badge from the Pass and Identification Unit at the United Nations Office at Geneva Security and Safety Section at the Pregny gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). A map is available on the UNECE website (www.unece.org/meetings/UN_Map.pdf). For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of the documents mentioned in this provisional agenda to the meeting. Documents for the meeting may be downloaded from THE PEP website (www.thepep.org).
B. General session of THE PEP Steering Committee

2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Election of officers.
4. Adoption of reports of the Steering Committee on its twelfth session and reports of the Bureau on its twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh meetings.
5. Outcome of THE PEP 2015 Symposium.
6. Implementing the Paris Declaration:
   (a) National Transport, Health and Environment Action Plans;
   (b) THE PEP relay race;
   (c) THE PEP Partnerships;
   (d) THE PEP Academy;
   (e) Exploring new tools for the implementation of the Paris Declaration.
7. Managing THE PEP:
   (a) Monitoring implementation of THE PEP goals;
   (b) Communication strategy;
   (c) THE PEP Programme of work 2016–2017;
   (d) Financial matters;
   (e) Strengthening synergies with international organizations and processes.
8. Other business.
9. Date and venue of the next session of the Committee and meetings of the Bureau.

II. Annotations

A. THE PEP 2015 Symposium: Goal 3 of the Paris Declaration

1. The PEP 2015 Symposium

   At its seventh session (Geneva, 22–23 October 2009), the Steering Committee of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) discussed ways to more actively engage member States and other stakeholders on priority issues for THE PEP (ECE/AC.21/SC/2009/7–EUR/09/5088363/7, para. 8). To that end, the Committee agreed that, beginning with its eighth session, in-depth discussions, or symposia, would be organized, including speakers from the private sector, academia, government and civil society (ECE/AC.21/SC/2009/8–EUR/09/5088363/8, para. 46). Topics would be in line with the four priority goals adopted by the Third High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (Amsterdam, 22–23 January 2009) and addressed one goal per year. The Committee at its twelfth session agreed to continue holding annual symposia back to back with the Committee’s meetings and entrusted the Bureau to decide on the topic for 2015. The Bureau, at its subsequent meeting, decided that the topic for 2015 would be the third goal of the Paris Declaration.

   THE PEP 2015 Symposium will be held on Tuesday, 17 November 2015 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, beginning at 3 p.m. The focus will be on Goal 3 of the
Paris Declaration: “to reduce emissions of transport-related greenhouse gases, air pollution and noise”. All stakeholders are encouraged to participate actively in the Symposium. The conclusions of the Symposium will be reviewed at the general session of the Steering Committee the following day (see agenda item 5 below). A detailed programme of the Symposium will be available in due course.

Documentation

Concept note on THE PEP 2015 Symposium (ECE/AC.21/SC/2015/2–EUDCE1408105/1.6/SC13/2).

B. General session of THE PEP Steering Committee

2. Adoption of the agenda

The Steering Committee is expected to adopt the agenda of its thirteenth session as prepared by THE PEP secretariat (the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) and the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe (WHO/Europe)) in consultation with the Bureau of the Steering Committee.

Documentation

Provisional agenda (ECE/AC.21/SC/2015/1 - EUDCE1408105/1.6/SC13/1).

3. Election of officers

The Committee will elect a Chair and one or more Vice-Chairs, as needed. In accordance with its rules of procedure, the Chair will rotate on a yearly basis between representatives of the transport, health and environment sectors. The Chair of the Committee’s thirteenth session should represent the Environment sector. As per the amendment to the rules of procedure adopted by the Steering Committee at its eleventh session, the incoming Chair and the outgoing Chair will serve as Co-chairs, for that session only.

The Committee will review the composition of its Bureau (see annex) and consider electing new members.

4. Adoption of reports of the Steering Committee on its twelfth session and reports of the Bureau on its twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh meetings

The Committee will adopt the report of its twelfth session (Geneva, 19–20 November 2014). It will take note of the reports of the twenty-sixth (Geneva, 21 November 2014) and the twenty-seventh (Copenhagen, 25–26 June 2015) meeting of its Bureau.

Documentation

Report of the Steering Committee of THE PEP on its twelfth session and of the twenty-sixth meeting of the Bureau (ECE/AC.21/SC/2014/6–EUDCE1408105/1.6/SC12/6 and annex); Report of the twenty-seventh meeting of the Bureau (Informal document No. 1).

5. Outcome of THE PEP 2015 Symposium

The secretariat will summarize the conclusions from THE PEP 2015 Symposium. The Committee will be invited to consider the results of the Symposium and to decide on follow-up actions. The Committee will also discuss the topic of the next Symposium.
6. Implementing the Paris Declaration

The Committee will consider progress made in the framework of the four implementation mechanisms of the Paris Declaration: National Transport, Health and Environment Action Plans (NTHEAPs); THE PEP relay race; THE PEP Partnerships and THE PEP Academy.

(a) National Transport, Health and Environment Action Plans

Following on from discussions at its twelfth session, the Committee may wish to further discuss ways to assist member States in developing NTHEAPs and to build the capacity of countries that integrate transport, health and environment policies.

Documentation
Developing national action plans on transport, health and environment (Copenhagen: WHO Regional Office for Europe, Christian Schweizer, Francesca Racioppi and Leda Nemer, 2014).

(b) THE PEP relay race

THE PEP relay race was re-launched in Paris as one of the main mechanisms to implement the Paris Declaration. The relay race, initiated by the Amsterdam Declaration of 2009 is intended to share experience and best practice in sustainable and healthy transport and mobility. The Committee may wish to consider the results of the Irkutsk (and Moscow) Workshop.

The Committee may wish to re-visit the report of the Kaunas workshop on progress made following the publication of the final results of this workshop.

Delegations are invited to propose or confirm offers to host future workshops in 2016 and beyond.

Documentation
Report on Kaunas Workshop (Informal document No. 2) and Report of the Irkutsk Workshop (Informal document No. 3).

(c) THE PEP Partnerships

The secretariat will present a final version of the proposed revision of the terms of reference for THE PEP Partnerships.

The Committee will be invited to discuss and formally approve the Partnership Descriptions of existing partnerships.

Following the Fourth High-level Meeting, further work on the development and quantification of the scope of green and healthy jobs in transport is carried out under the Partnership on jobs in green and healthy transport. The secretariat will present a report on the work in phase 2 of this Partnership.

The delegation of Austria will inform the Committee about progress with the two new partnerships launched at the Fourth High-level Meeting: “THE PEP Partnership on Cycling” and “THE PEP Partnership on Eco-Driving”.

The delegation of France and the Russian Federation will inform the Committee about progress made within THE PEP Partnership on the Integration of Transport, Health, Environmental Objectives into Urban and Spatial Planning Policies.

The secretariat will inform the Committee about revisions to the Health Economic Assessment Tools (HEAT) for walking and cycling. HEAT has been developed as part of a
THE PEP Partnership, with support from Austria, France, Germany, Switzerland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Commission.

Documentation

Draft structure and format for the Pan-European Masterplan for Cycling Promotion (Partnership on cycling) (Informal document No. 4), Factsheet on eco-driving (Partnership on eco-driving) (Informal document No. 5), Draft publication on the Partnership on Jobs in green and healthy transport (Informal document No. 6), Proposed revision of the terms of reference for THE PEP Partnerships (ECE/AC.21/SC/2015/3–EUDCE1408105/1.6/SC13/3), Partnership descriptions (Informal document No. 7).

(d) THE PEP Academy

The Paris Declaration included a new implementation mechanism, THE PEP Academy, intended to link science, policy and practice that serves as a platform to strengthen capacities for integrated transport, health, environment and spatial planning, facilitating the uptake of new knowledge and capitalizes on the achievements and experience of THE PEP.

The Committee may wish to discuss progress with THE PEP Academy. The secretariat will present the proposed workplan activities for THE PEP Academy in 2015–2017.

Documentation


(e) Exploring new tools for the implementation of the Paris Declaration

The secretariat will inform the Committee on progress with the use of the ForFITS (For Future Inland Transport Systems) tool and how it has been implemented to date. ForFITS was developed with the support of the United Nations Development Account (UNDA) with the goal of enhancing international cooperation and planning towards sustainable transport policies, facilitating in particular climate change mitigation. The secretariat will also inform the Committee of the activities that are currently ongoing in relation to the adding functionality to ForFITS.

Documentation

Progress with the ForFITS (For Future Inland Transport Systems) CO2 assessment tool (Informal document No. 9).

7. Managing THE PEP

(a) Monitoring progress on the implementation of THE PEP goals

At its twenty-seventh meeting, the Bureau of the Steering Committee agreed to adapt further the existing THE PEP questionnaire from 2014 to the new elements in the Paris Declaration and to circulate it to member States prior to the thirteenth session of the Committee. This questionnaire was sent to all THE PEP focal points in September 2015. The Secretariat will present the results from the survey to the thirteenth session of the Committee.

Delegations may wish to report on projects and activities in their countries that have been or are planned to be undertaken at national or municipal levels. They are encouraged to report not only on good practices and experience gained, but also on the challenges they face in implementing environment- and health-friendly transport policies in their countries. The SC also may wish to consider other ways in which to monitor and assess progress made by member States in implementing the Paris goals.
The Committee may consider the options for alternative monitoring of implementation and in particular the costs and feasibility of option B as presented by the secretariat.

Documentation
Regional overview of 2015 on the implementation of the Paris Declaration (Informal document No. 10).

(b) Communication strategy
At its twelfth session, the Steering Committee was informed about the upgrading of THE PEP Clearing House. The Committee asked the secretariat to prepare a report on the possible ways forward for the Clearing house. The Committee may wish to be informed on the findings set out in the secretariat’s report on the Clearing House. The Committee is also invited to take note of the publications that have been produced/updated since the twelfth session including the Paris Declaration booklet and the THE PEP Promotional Brochure.

The Committee may wish to be informed about forthcoming publications to be produced by UNECE in the 2016–17 biennium (“Implementation of the Paris Declaration of the 4th HLM” and “THE PEP Partnerships”). It may wish to discuss UNECE publications foreseen for the 2018–19 biennium in order to give a clear mandate to the secretariat to produce these documents. The Committee may wish to provide further direction to increase the visibility of THE PEP.

The Committee will consider a list of proposed communication opportunities for THE PEP in 2016 and request relevant preparations.

Documentation

(c) THE PEP Programme of work 2016–2017
The Committee is invited to review activities completed in 2015 and to adopt its programme of work for 2016.

Documentation

(d) Financial matters
The secretariat will inform the Committee on the use of funds in 2015 and provide an outlook for planned expenditures in 2016, on the basis of its programme of work. Delegations are expected to make pledges of contributions, in cash or in kind, to support the implementation of THE PEP in 2015–2020.

Documentation
Status of THE PEP Trust Fund (ECE/AC.21/SC/2015/5–EUDCE1408105/1.6/SC13/5).

(e) Strengthening synergies with international organizations and processes
The Committee will be informed about collaboration between THE PEP and related international processes with a view to strengthening synergies.

The Committee may wish to discuss ways to strengthen collaboration with international organizations and processes.
8. **Other business**

The Committee may wish to consider other issues of interest in the field of transport, health and environment.

9. **Date and venue of the next session of the Committee and meetings of the Bureau**

The fourteenth session of the Steering Committee is tentatively scheduled to take place on 7-8 November 2016 at the WHO Headquarters in Geneva, beginning with THE PEP 2016 Symposium and followed by a meeting of the Bureau on 9 November 2015.

The twenty-ninth meeting of the Bureau of the Steering Committee of THE PEP is scheduled to be held in Copenhagen in summer 2016.

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**III. Organization of work**

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* The session will be followed by the twenty-eighth meeting of the Bureau of THE PEP Steering Committee on Thursday, 19 November, beginning at 9.30 a.m.
Annex

**Composition of the Bureau**

The current composition of the Bureau is as follows:

**Health sector**

- Mr. François André (Belgium)
- Mr. Mihail Kochubovski (the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)
- Mr. Ion Shalaru (Republic of Moldova)
- Ms. Vigdis Ronning (Norway)

**Transport sector**

- Ms. Annette Gogneau (France)
- Mr. Vadim Donchenko (Russian Federation)
- Mr. Matthias Rinderknecht (Switzerland)

**Environment sector**

- Mr. Jared Banks (United States of America)
- Mr. Robert Thaler (Austria)
- Ms. Nino Tkhilava (Georgia)
- Ms. Biljana Filipovic (Serbia)