High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment
Steering Committee of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme
Eleventh session
Geneva, 27 and 28 November 2013
Item 2 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the eleventh session

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, 27 November 2013*

I. Provisional agenda

THE PEP 2013 Symposium: Safe and Healthy Active Mobility in Urban Areas

1. THE PEP 2013 Symposium.

General session of THE PEP Steering Committee

* 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 (http://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 (http://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).
2. Adoption of the agenda.

3. Election of officers.

4. Adoption of reports of the Steering Committee and its Bureau.


7. Implementing the Amsterdam Declaration:
   (a) National Transport, Health and Environment Action Plans;
   (b) THE PEP relay race (staffete);
   (c) THE PEP Partnership.

8. Managing THE PEP:
   (a) Monitoring implementation;
   (b) Communication strategy;
   (c) Programme of work for 2013–2014;
   (d) Financial matters;
   (e) Strengthening synergies with international organizations and processes.

9. Other business.

10. Date and venue of the next session.

II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

THE PEP 2013 Symposium: Green and health-friendly mobility for sustainable urban life

1. The PEP 2013 Symposium
   1. At its seventh session, the Steering Committee of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) discussed ways to stimulate participation and to more actively engage member States and other stakeholders on relevant issues involving the three sectors.
   2. The Committee agreed that, beginning with its eighth session, a symposium would be organized at the beginning of its annual session focusing on the four priority goals of the Amsterdam Declaration (i.e., one goal per year, from 2010–2013). The Symposium, with the participation of selected speakers from Governments, civil society, academia and the private sector, would allow the Committee to deepen the debate and to contribute to the assessment of progress made leading up to the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment in 2014 (ECE/AC.21/SC/2009/8–EUR/09/5088363/8, para. 46).
   3. THE PEP 2010 symposium, “Green and health-friendly investment and jobs in transport”, was held on 8 December 2010 on a topic related to Amsterdam Goal 1 (sustainable economic development and green job creation). THE PEP 2011 symposium, “Inclusive and innovative urban mobility” was held on 16 December 2011 and focused on Goal 2 (manage sustainable urban mobility and promote a more efficient transport system). THE PEP 2012 Symposium, “Green and health-friendly mobility for sustainable urban life” was
4. THE PEP 2013 symposium “Safe and Healthy Walking and Cycling in Cities” will be held on 27 November 2013 and focus on Goal 4 (promote policies and actions conducive to healthy and safe modes of transport).

5. 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 2013 Symposium (ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/2−EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/2).

### General session of THE PEP Steering Committee

2. **Adoption of the agenda**

6. The Steering Committee is expected to adopt the agenda of its eleventh 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/2013/1–EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/1).

3. **Election of officers**

7. The Committee will elect a chair and one or more vice-chairs. 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 eleventh session should represent the health sector.

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

4. **Adoption of reports of the Steering Committee and its Bureau**

9. The Committee will adopt the report of its tenth session (Geneva, 14–15 November 2012), as well as the reports of the eighteenth (Geneva, 16 November 2012), nineteenth (Paris, 4-5 April 2012) and twentieth (Copenhagen, 11-12 July 2013) meetings of the extended Bureau.

**Documentation**

Report of the Steering Committee of THE PEP on its tenth session and report of the eighteenth meeting of the extended Bureau of the Steering Committee (ECE/AC.21/SC/2012/9–EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC10/9); report of the nineteenth meeting of the extended Bureau of the Steering Committee (informal document No. 1); report of the twentieth meeting of the extended Bureau (informal document No. 2).

5. **Outcomes of THE PEP 2013 Symposium**

10. The secretariat will summarize the conclusions drawn from THE PEP 2013 Symposium. The Committee will be invited to consider the results of the Symposium and...
to decide follow-up actions. The Committee may wish to decide whether it would like to continue THE PEP Symposium series following the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (4HLM) which is expected to renew the Amsterdam Goals and agree a fifth goal focused on urban resilience, spatial planning and translating national policy to local action for sustainable urban transport.

6. Preparation of the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (April 2014)

11. At its tenth session, the Committee launched its preparations for the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment to be held on 14-16 April 2014 in Paris, hosted by the Government of France. The High-level Meeting will be held in concert with the Transport Research Arena (TRA) a forum of transport research, science and technology, expected to attract at least 2,000 people. The main preparatory work for the High-level Meeting has been carried out by the Extended Bureau (4-5 April 2013, Paris and 11-12 July, Copenhagen). Two ad hoc informal meetings were held between the secretariat and France (20-21 February 2012, Paris and 3 June in Lyon). The current draft programme for the 4HLM is presented in Informal Document no. 3 (Update on the preparations for the 4HLM).

12. At its April 2013 meeting, the Extended Bureau agreed a theme for the 4HLM: “City in Motion: People First!” to underline the importance of sustainable urban mobility choices supporting the individual lives and livelihoods of citizens, with an emphasis on the health and environmental benefits of active mobility.

13. Several side events, exhibitions and a joint seminar between THE PEP, the International Transport Forum (ITF) and the Transport Research Arena (TRA) are being planned. Background documents will highlight the success achieved in the last five years of THE PEP and the effective implementation of the Amsterdam Goals. The extended Bureau agreed to retain the original Amsterdam Goals and to add a fifth goal reflecting the need for urban resilience and spatial planning to prepare cities for impending change, including both demographic and environmental change. The renewed goals will be enshrined in the draft Paris Declaration, to be discussed during upcoming meetings of the extended Bureau (Geneva, 29 November 2013 and Zürich, February 2014) and adopted by the High-level Meeting.

Documentation

Discussion on the Outcome Document for the Fourth High Level Meeting (ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/3−EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/3, Update on the preparations for the 4HLM (Informal document No. 3).

7. Implementing the Amsterdam Declaration

14. The Committee will consider progress made in the framework of the three implementation mechanisms enshrined in the Amsterdam Declaration: National Transport, Health and Environment Action Plans (NTHEAPs); THE PEP relay race; and THE PEP Partnership.

(a) National Transport, Health and Environment Action Plans

15. At its tenth session, the Committee considered the finalized text for a manual for developing national transport, health and environment action plans (NTHEAPs) which is now available for use. The Committee may wish to discuss ways to build capacity of member States to integrate transport, health and environment policies and to develop country-specific training, where the manual would be an important reference document.
Assistance to member States in the development of NTHEAPs is a deliverable of THE PEP Partnership.

**Documentation**

NTHEAP manual (informal document No. 9).

(b) THE PEP relay race (staffete)

16. At its tenth session, the Steering Committee considered the results of the workshop “Sustainable development of urban transport: challenges and opportunities” held on 7 and 8 June 2012 in Moscow and endorsed the action points for policymakers. Representatives of Azerbaijan, Belgium, Kazakhstan and Lithuania expressed interest in hosting future workshops under THE PEP Staffete.

17. THE PEP relay race (staffete) continued its journey in 2013 by passing the “baton” of key messages on sustainable mobility across the ECE–WHO/Europe region, beginning in Amsterdam and thereafter to Prague, Skopje, Batumi (Georgia), Kyiv, Moscow and Almaty (Kazakhstan). The Committee may wish to consider the results of the subregional workshop on Green and Health-friendly Sustainable Mobility: Focus on Urban Central Asia. The workshop was held on 26-27 September 2013, organized by the Ministry of Transport and Communication, Ministry of Environmental Protection and the Ministry of Public health, Republic of Kazakhstan and AKIMAT (municipal authority of Almaty) in cooperation with the GEF-UNDP Project “City of Almaty Sustainable Transport”.

18. The Committee may wish to re-visit the results of the Moscow workshop to assess progress made since the June 2012 workshop.

19. The representative of France will present the Draft Compendium of Staffete Experiences 2009-2013, reflecting the results and action points for policymakers of the entire series of staffete workshops held during the relay race, from Amsterdam to Paris.

20. Delegations are invited to propose future workshops in 2014 and 2015.

**Documentation**


(c) THE PEP Partnership

21. Following the re-launch of THE PEP Partnership, a further development and quantification of the economic scope of green and healthy jobs in transport is planned. A draft report will be presented to the Committee for consideration to be published at the 4HLM.

22. The delegation of Austria will inform the Committee about progress made in the development of the TRANSDANUBE initiative, a transboundary project on sustainable mobility management and eco-friendly tourism along the Danube River which may contribute to both THE PEP Partnership and the European Union Danube Strategy.

23. Austria will, moreover, present a new proposal for a THE PEP Partnership on a pan-European platform for national cycling coordinators.

24. The secretariat will brief the Committee regarding revisions to the Health Economic Assessment Tools (HEAT) for walking and cycling. HEAT has been developed as part of a THE PEP Partnership, supported by Austria, Switzerland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Commission.
25. A representative of France will inform the Committee of progress made by the French Ministry in charge of transport (the Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy) on the Executive Summary of the Results of the Study on Signs and Signals and the status of the full report to be launched at the 4HLM.

Documentation
(ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/5−EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/5, Executive Summary: Results of Study on Signs and Signals). Green and healthy jobs in transport (informal document No. 6).

8. Managing THE PEP

(a) Monitoring implementation

26. At its tenth session, the Steering Committee considered replies to the Questionnaire on the implementation of the Amsterdam Goals and agreed to re-circulate it in 2013 in order to have a basis for producing a Draft Assessment Report of Progress made on THE PEP for the 4HLM.

27. The questionnaire was sent to all THE PEP focal points in August 2013. Based on the replies, the secretariat produced a Draft Assessment Report for the consideration of the Committee.

28. Additionally, delegations may wish to report on specific projects and activities that have been or are planned to be undertaken at the national level. 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 policy in their countries.

Documentation
Draft Assessment Report of Progress made on THE PEP (informal document No. 4).

(b) Communication strategy

29. At its tenth session, the Steering Committee was informed about the upgrading of THE PEP Clearing House. The Committee may wish to review its role and function over the longer term and consider measures to ensure adequate resources. The Committee may wish to provide further direction to increase the visibility of THE PEP.

Documentation
Proposed communication activities for 2014 (informal document No. 8).

(c) Programme of work for 2013-2014

30. The Committee is invited to review activities completed in 2013 and to adopt its programme of work for 2014.

Documentation
THE PEP programme of work for 2013–2014
(ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/6−EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/6).

(d) Financial matters

31. The secretariat will inform the Committee on the use of funds in 2013 and provide an outlook for planned expenditures in 2014, 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 2014–2015.

**Documentation**

Status of THE PEP Trust Fund (ECE/AC.21/SC/2013/7– EUDCE1206040/1.9/SC11/7, English only).

(e) **Strengthening synergies with international organizations and processes**

32. The Committee will be informed about collaboration between THE PEP and related international processes with a view to strengthening synergies.

33. The Committee may wish to discuss ways to strengthen collaboration with international organizations and processes, as well as to promote THE PEP as a model for other regions. In particular, the Committee may wish to continue its discussion on a proposal by the Bureau to collaborate with the World Bank in the Mediterranean region.

9. **Other business**

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

10. **Date and venue of the next session**

35. The twelfth session of the Steering Committee is tentatively scheduled to take place on 19 and 20 November 2014 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, beginning with THE PEP 2013 Symposium and followed by a meeting of the Bureau on 21 November 2014.

**III. Organization of work**

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* The session will be followed by a meeting of the Extended Bureau of THE PEP Steering Committee on Friday, 29 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)

Transport sector

• Ms. Nadine Asconchilo (France)
• Mr. Vadim Donchenko (Russian Federation)
• Mr. Matthias Rinderknecht (Switzerland)

Environment sector

• Mr. Bart Cobbs (United States of America)
• Mr. Robert Thaler (Austria)
• Ms. Nino Tkhilava (Georgia)
• Ms. Biljana Filipovic (Serbia)