Annotated provisional agenda for the fifteenth session

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 3 p.m. on Monday, 6 November 2017*

I. Provisional agenda

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   1. THE PEP 2017 Symposium.

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* The Steering Committee will be held at Palais des Nations, Geneva. To access the United Nations premises, delegates must be registered in a list of participants. Information will be provided at a later stage.
6. Initial discussions on the preparations for the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment.

7. 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.

8. Managing THE PEP:
   (a) Monitoring progress in the implementation of THE PEP goals;
   (b) Communication strategy;
   (c) THE PEP programme of work for 2017-2018;
   (d) Financial matters;
   (e) Strengthening synergies with other international processes and organizations.

9. Other business.

10. Date and venue of the next session of the Committee and meetings of the Bureau.

II. Annotations

A. THE PEP 2017 Symposium: Working towards Priority Goal 2

1. The PEP 2017 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 and agreed that, beginning with its eighth session, in-depth discussions, or symposiums, 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 address one goal per year. At its fourteenth session (Geneva, 7-9 November 2016), the Steering Committee agreed to continue holding annual symposiums back to back with the Committee’s sessions. At its thirtieth meeting (Geneva, 9 November 2016), THE PEP Bureau decided that the topic for 2017 would be THE PEP Priority Goal 2.

THE PEP 2017 Symposium will be held on Monday, 6 November 2017, beginning at 3 p.m. The focus will be on THE PEP Priority Goal 2: “To manage sustainable mobility and promote a more efficient transport system”. All stakeholders are encouraged to participate actively in the Symposium. The conclusions of the Symposium will be reviewed

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1 Note that a fifth Priority Goal — to integrate transport, health and environmental objectives into urban and spatial planning policies — was added in 2014 through the adoption of the Paris Declaration (ECE/AC.21/2014/2-EUDCE1408105/1.6/4HLM/2, annex). This Goal may also be the focus of future symposiums.
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
THE PEP 2017 Symposium: To manage sustainable mobility and promote a more efficient transport system (ECE/AC.21/SC/2017/3 - EUPCR1612201/4.4/SC15/3)

B. General session of THE PEP Steering Committee

2. Adoption of the agenda

The Steering Committee is expected to adopt the agenda of its fifteenth 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/2017/1 - EUPCR1612201/4.4/SC15/1)

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 fifteenth session should represent the transport 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 fourteenth session and reports of the Bureau on its thirtieth and thirty-first meetings

The Committee will adopt the report of its fourteenth session. It will take note of the reports of the thirtieth (Geneva, 9 November 2016) and thirty-first (Copenhagen, 4-5 July 2017) meetings of its Bureau.

Documentation
Reports of the Steering Committee of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme on its fourteenth session and report of the thirtieth meeting of the Bureau (ECE/AC.21/SC/2016/2 - EUPCR1612201/4.1/SC14/2)
Report of the thirty-first meeting of the Bureau (informal document No. 1)

5. Outcome of THE PEP 2017 Symposium

The secretariat will summarize the conclusions from THE PEP 2017 Symposium. The Committee will be invited to consider the results of the Symposium and decide on follow-up actions. The Committee will also discuss the topic of the next Symposium. In doing so, the Committee might wish to link the topic of the next Symposium to be held in 2018 to the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (Vienna, 2019).
6. Initial discussions on the preparations for the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment

The Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment is expected to take place in Vienna in the first half of 2019. The Steering Committee may wish to start discussions on the preparations for the Fifth High-level Meeting. Discussions could include how to attract high-level attendance in the meeting and what could be the content of the outcome document. The Steering Committee might wish to base its discussions on a concept note on the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment prepared by the secretariat, in consultation with the Bureau.

The Steering Committee might also decide, on the basis of a draft calendar of meetings in preparation of the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment, when to meet next, in the framework of an extended Bureau, to start negotiations of the political outcomes of the Fifth High-level Meeting and to draw-up a road map towards Vienna 2019.

Documentation

Concept note on the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (informal document No. 2)
Draft calendar of meetings in preparation of the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (informal document No. 3)

7. Implementing the Paris Declaration

The Committee will consider progress made in the framework of the four implementation mechanisms of the Paris Declaration (ECE/AC.21/2014/2-EUDCE1408105/1.6/4HLM/2, annex): national transport, health and environment action plans; THE PEP relay race; THE PEP Partnerships; and THE PEP Academy.

(a) National transport, health and environment action plans

The secretariat and a representative from Serbia will present a summary of a workshop on the preparation of a national transport health and environment action plan in Serbia (Belgrade, 2 March 2017).

The Committee may wish to provide feedback on the workshop and provide suggestions on ways forward. Furthermore, the Committee might wish to consider possibilities to assist other member States requiring support in developing national transport, health and environment action plans and to build the capacity of countries to integrate transport, health and environment policies. The Committee might also wish to hear about good practices and lessons learned from member States.

Documentation


(b) THE PEP relay race

THE PEP relay race was relaunched at the High-level Meeting 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 workshop in Mannheim (Germany, 19-21 September 2017).
The Committee may wish to revisit the report of the Petrozavodsk, Vienna and Vladivostok workshops on progress made.

Delegations are invited to propose or confirm offers to host future workshops in 2018 and beyond.

**Documentation**

Report of the Mannheim Workshop (informal document No. 4)

(c) **THE PEP Partnerships**

The Committee will be invited to discuss and formally approve partnership descriptions that are not yet approved.

The secretariat will inform the Committee on the completion of the second phase of the partnership on jobs in green and healthy transport, and of the relevant publication, and will present the initial directions of a third phase on green jobs in transport, which is financed thanks to a contribution from France.

The delegation of Austria will inform the Committee about progress with 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 in THE PEP Partnership on the integration of transport, health and 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.

The secretariat will present a draft outline of a publication on THE PEP Partnerships. The publication is to be part of promotional material on the occasion of the Fifth Transport, Health and Environment High-level Meeting (Vienna, 2019).

**Documentation**

Draft Pan-European Master Plan for Cycling Promotion (Partnership on Cycling) (informal document No. 5)

Factsheet on eco-driving (Partnership on eco-driving) (informal document No. 6)

Publication on Riding Towards the Green Economy: Cycling and Green Jobs (informal document No. 7)

Partnership descriptions (informal document No. 8)

Draft outline of a publication on THE PEP Partnerships (informal document No. 9).

Revised HEAT manual and user guidance (informal document No. 10)

(d) **THE PEP Academy**

The Paris Declaration provided for the establishment of a new implementation mechanism, THE PEP Academy. The objective of THE PEP Academy is to link science, policy and practice, and serve as a platform to strengthen capacities for integrated transport, health, environment and spatial planning, thereby facilitating the uptake of new knowledge and capitalizing on the achievements and experience of THE PEP.
The Committee may wish to discuss progress with regard to THE PEP Academy. The secretariat will present the proposed workplan activities for THE PEP Academy in the period 2017-2018.

Documentation

Workplan for activities of THE PEP Academy in 2017-2018 (informal document No. 11)

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

The secretariat will inform the Committee on progress with the use of the “For Future Inland Transport Systems” (ForFITS) tool and how it has been implemented to date. ForFITS was developed by the ECE Sustainable Transport Division as part of a United Nations Development Account project 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 adding new functions to the tool.

The Steering Committee might consider assessing the degree to which THE PEP activities are aligned to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (New York, United States of America, 25 September 2015) and, therefore, how the implementation of the Paris Declaration would contribute to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

The Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (Paris, 2014) welcomed a study on "Signs and Signals for Cyclists and Pedestrians", prepared by the French Centre for Studies and Expertise on Risks, Environment, Mobility and Development (CEREMA). The High-level Meeting invited the Global Forum on Road Traffic Safety (WP.1) to consider, on this basis, possible amendments to the Convention on Road Signs and Signals (Vienna, 1968). Subsequently, the eleventh session of the Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals (WP.1/GE.2) (Geneva, 29-30 May 2017) of the Global Forum for Road Traffic Safety discussed the study and requested a follow-up of specific recommendations from the study in order to consider possible amendments to the relevant legal instruments. The Steering Committee will, thus, be presented with specific recommendations from the study for its consideration.

Documentation

Progress with the ForFITS (For Future Inland Transport Systems) carbon dioxide assessment tool (informal document No. 12)

Progress with the development of THE PEP publication on the links between THE PEP and the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda

Informal note on specific recommendations from THE PEP/CEREMA study on road signs and signals for cyclists and pedestrians (informal document No. 13)

8. Managing THE PEP

(a) Monitoring progress in the implementation of THE PEP Goals

At its thirty-first, the Bureau of the Steering Committee agreed to further adapt the existing THE PEP questionnaire to the Paris Declaration and to circulate it to member States prior to the Committee’s fourteenth session. The questionnaire was sent to all THE PEP focal points in September 2017. The secretariat will present the results from the survey.

Delegations may wish to report on projects and activities in their countries to implement THE PEP Goals that have been or are planned to be undertaken at the 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 Steering Committee may also wish to consider other ways in which to monitor and assess progress made by member States in implementing the Goals.

Regional overview of 2017 on the implementation of the Paris Declaration (informal document No. 14)

(b) Communication strategy

The secretariat will present the new Clearing House and THE PEP website that was developed from the mandate by the Steering Committee at its thirteenth session. The Committee will be invited to consider ways to enrich both the Clearing House and the new web site with content and relevant news. Member States will have the possibility to submit material to the Clearing House in a decentralized way, and will be informed about the modalities that would allow THE PEP focal points to gain access to the Clearing House.

The Committee will also be invited to take note of the relevant publications that have been produced and/or updated since the thirteenth session.

The Committee will be invited to consider publications to be produced by ECE in the 2018 - 2019 biennium and to give a clear mandate to the secretariat for their preparation. 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 2018 and is expected to request the relevant preparations.

Documentation

New Clearing House user manual for THE PEP focal points (informal document No. 15)
Proposed communication activities for 2018 (informal document No. 16)

(c) THE PEP Programme of work for 2017-2018

The Committee is invited to review activities completed in 2017 and to adopt its programme of work for 2017-2018.

Documentation


(d) Financial matters

The secretariat will inform the Committee about the use of funds in 2017 and provide an outlook for planned expenditures in 2018 on the basis of its programme of work. Delegations are expected to pledge contributions, in cash or in kind, to support the implementation of THE PEP activities.

Documentation

Status of THE PEP Trust Fund (ECE/AC.21/SC/2017/5 - EUPCR1612201/4.4/SC15/5)

(e) Strengthening synergies with other international processes and organizations

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

The secretariat will report on the outcome of the Sixth Ministerial Conference on Environment and Health (Ostrava, Czechia, 13-15 June 2017).
The Committee may wish to discuss ways to promote THE PEP as a model for other regions and to strengthen collaboration with international organizations and processes.

9. Other business

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 of the Committee and meetings of the Bureau

The sixteenth session of the Steering Committee is tentatively scheduled to take place from 12 to 14 December 2018 at the World Health Organization Headquarters, Geneva: beginning with THE PEP 2018 Symposium and followed by a meeting of the Bureau on 14 December 2018.

The thirty-third meeting of the Bureau of the Steering Committee of THE PEP is provisionally scheduled to be held in Copenhagen in the summer of 2018, unless differently decided.
## III. Organization of work

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*The session will be followed by the thirty-second meeting of the Bureau of the PIP Steering Committee on Wednesday, 8 November, beginning at 2.30 p.m.*
Annex

Composition of the Bureau

The current composition of the Bureau is as set out below.

Health sector

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

Transport sector

• Mr. Vadim Donchenko (Russian Federation)
• Mr. Julien Fernandez (France)
• Mr. Matthias Rinderknecht (Switzerland)

Environment sector

• Ms. Biljana Filipovic (Serbia)
• Ms. Nino Tkhilava (Georgia)
• Mr. Robert Thaler (Austria)