

Programme of work for 2018–2019

Note by the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme secretariat

Summary

At its eleventh meeting (Geneva, 23 October 2009), the Bureau of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) Steering Committee requested the secretariat to prepare each year a detailed programme of work, showing work accomplished over the previous year and expected outputs for the forthcoming year. A draft programme of work for 2018–2019 was considered by THE PEP Steering Committee Bureau at its thirty-third meeting in Vienna in July 2018. The Committee is invited to review activities carried out in 2018 and to endorse planned activities for 2019.

I. Introduction

1. The fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (Paris, 14–16 April 2014) adopted the Paris Declaration, including the workplan for the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) for 2014–2019 (ECE/AC.21/SC/2014/6–EUDCE1408105/1.6/SC12/6.). The workplan is based upon five priority goals, enshrined in the Paris Declaration, which commit the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) and the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe (WHO/Europe) member States to pursue integrated policies aimed at achieving safe, efficient, environment- and health-friendly transport.
2. THE PEP workplan, covering the period between the Fourth and Fifth High-level Meetings, addresses a range of activities to be pursued up until the Fifth High-level Meeting. The Committee may wish to review the work carried out in 2018, endorse the planned activities for 2019 and provide guidance for their implementation.

II. Statutory THE PEP meetings 2018–2019

<i>THE PEP body (status)</i>	<i>Date and location</i>
Steering Committee Bureau, thirty-third meeting	10–11 July 2018 (Vienna, Austria)
Steering Committee, sixteenth session	12–14 December 2018 (Geneva, WHO Headquarters)
Steering Committee Bureau, thirty-fourth meeting	14 December 2018 (Geneva, WHO Headquarters)
Steering Committee Bureau, thirty-fifth meeting	July 2019 (Copenhagen WHO/Europe)
Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment	22–24 October 2019 (Vienna, Austria)
Steering Committee, seventeenth session	November 2019 (Geneva, Palais des Nations)
Steering Committee Bureau, thirty-sixth meeting	November 2019 (Geneva, Palais des Nations)

III. THE PEP programme of work for 2018–2019

<i>THE PEP activity</i>	<i>Host/lead country/organization</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Related SDG targets*</i>
(a) Develop a platform to attract and support investments in environment- and health-friendly transport			
Follow-up to: the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (Paris, 14–16 April 2014); the 21 st meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (Paris, 30 November–12 December 2015); and the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit (New York, 25–27 September 2015)	Steering Committee and THE PEP secretariat	2017–2018	
(b) Build capacity for better integration of transport, health and environment policy			
Relay race 13: Subregional workshop to continue implementation of Paris Declaration (TBC)	St. Petersburg (Russian Federation)	2018	To be determined
Relay race 14: Subregional workshop to continue implementation of Paris Declaration (TBC)	Rimini (Italy)	2018	Target 11.2
Further development of the Health Economic Assessment Tools (HEAT) for walking and cycling to include more health endpoints and risk factors (in progress)	WHO	2018–2019	Targets 3.4 and 11.2
Organise a technical consultation meeting to review the evidence-base for certain health benefits of cycling and develop specific recommendations on health and safety for the Pan-European Masterplan for Cycling Promotion	WHO	2018	Target 3.4; 3.6, 11.2; 12.8; 12.b
Development of a publication on Jobs in Green and Healthy Transport under THE PEP Partnership: <i>Riding towards green economy: Cycling and green jobs</i>	THE PEP secretariat and THE PEP Partnership on Green and Healthy Jobs in Transport	2018	Targets 8.2–8.5 and 8.9
Development of a new publication on Jobs in Green and Healthy Transport under THE PEP Partnership (in progress)	THE PEP secretariat and THE PEP Partnership on Green and Healthy Jobs in Transport in collaboration with ILO	2018–2019	Targets 8.2–8.5
Application of the For Future Inland Transport Systems (ForFITS) monitoring and assessment tool to promote planning towards sustainable transport policies (in progress)	ECE Sustainable Transport Division	2018–2019	Targets 12.2, 12.8, 13.2 and 13.3
(c) Share and disseminate good practice in environment- and health-friendly transport			
Plan and implement various communication activities for promoting the 5HLM	THE PEP secretariat/lead countries	2018–2019	

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Development of a publication on THE PEP Partnerships	THE PEP secretariat/lead countries	2018	Targets 17.16 and 17.17
Outreach to schools and local communities to share experience in environment- and health-friendly urban transport (e.g. THE PEP Prize, photography, film and/or art competitions) (ongoing)	THE PEP secretariat/interested countries	2018–2019	Target 4.7
THE PEP Clearing House:			
(ii) Revitalization of THE PEP website and Clearing House as centre of information exchange in preparation for the fifth High-level Meeting (under completion)	UNECE	2018–2019	
(d) Facilitate the implementation of activities at the local, national and regional levels			
Implement activities under THE PEP Partnership on a Pan-European Master Plan for cycling	THE PEP Partnership on Cycling Promotion, THE PEP secretariat, Austria, the European Cycling Federation and others to be identified	2018–2019	Targets 3.6, 8.2, 8.4, 8.9, 11.2, 11.6, 12.1, 12.2, 12.7, 12.8, 12.b, 13.2 and 17.6
(e) Support international advocacy and cooperation projects to promote best practice and an integrated approach to policymaking in transport, health and environment			
Strengthen collaboration with the European Commission, international financial institutions, and other international processes (e.g., the European Environment and Health Process), non-governmental organizations and the private sector, to achieve THE PEP priority goals (in progress)	THE PEP secretariat/European Commission/IFIs	2018–2019	
(f) Enhance monitoring and reporting mechanisms for implementation			
Regularly monitor the implementation of the Paris Goals through a questionnaire using agreed indicators (on-going)	Bureau of THE PEP Steering Committee and THE PEP secretariat	2018–2019	

^a In general, THE PEP supports the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 3 and 11 and, to a lesser degree, 1, 5, 7–10, 12, 13, 15 and 17. Shown here are additional SDG targets to which particular activities contribute.

^b Studies of the University of Natural Resources and Life Science in Austria. The project was completed in 2017.