Annotated provisional agenda for the fifth session

Revision

Vienna (online), starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 17 May 2021

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* Delegates are requested to complete the online registration form, available on the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe website at https://thepep.unece.org/events/fifth-high-level-meeting-transport-health-and-environment-0, no later than two weeks before the meeting.
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II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

General segment: special session of the Steering Committee

1. The Steering Committee of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP), at its eighteenth session (Geneva (online), 25–27 November 2020), agreed that the Fifth High-Level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment, would be preceded by a special session of the Steering Committee on the morning of 17 May 2021 (ECE/AC.21/SC/2020/2–EUPCR2016697/5.3/2 para. 27). The special session will address pending issues regarding preparation of the High-level Meeting.

1. Adoption of the agenda

   Monday, 17 May, morning session

2. The Chair of the Steering Committee will open the special session. The Committee will then be invited to adopt its agenda as set out in the present document.

2. Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment

3. The Committee prepared the Fifth High-level Meeting during its regular annual meetings, during preparatory meetings and during Bureau meetings organized in an extended format. The official documents issued and posted on the website of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) for the High-level Meeting were last discussed at the Preparatory Meeting to the Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (online, 2 March 2021).

4. Furthermore, the official documents were disseminated through the Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva.

5. The current meeting will address any open issue related to the official documents or programme of the Fifth High-level Meeting.

6. Furthermore, the Committee will be invited to consider any additional proposal for initiatives to implement the draft workplan for 2021–2025 (ECE/AC.21/2021/6–EUCHP2018924/4.3.6) and for new THE PEP partnerships that might have been forwarded by interested countries and stakeholders.

7. Lastly, the Committee will be invited to consider any last-minute organizational issues related to the High-level Meeting’s programme and the organization of work that might arise.

3. Calendar of meetings

8. The dates of the nineteenth and twentieth sessions of the Steering Committee will be discussed.

4. Other business

9. The Committee will be invited to discuss any other business that might be brought to its attention. Delegations wishing to propose items are invited to inform the secretariat as soon as possible.

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1 Meeting documents are available at https://thepep.unece.org/index.php/events/18th-meeting-pep-steering-committee.  
2 Official documents are available at https://thepep.unece.org/events/fifth-high-level-meeting-transport-health-and-environment-0.
Ministerial segment: Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment

5. Opening of the ministerial segment

*Monday, 17 May, afternoon session*

10. The Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment will be opened with a welcome address by the ministers of the host country (Austria), the Federal Minister for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology and the Federal Minister for Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection, the ECE Executive Secretary and the World Health Organization Regional Director for Europe.

11. The High-level Meeting is expected to adopt the agenda of its fifth session as prepared by the joint secretariat, comprising ECE and the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe, in consultation with the Bureau of the Steering Committee.

6. From Paris to Vienna – Reflections on challenges and opportunities for urban transport and mobility in the pan-European region

12. A first high-level panel discussion will take place on topics related to challenges and opportunities for mobility and transport aimed at green and healthy recovery from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

13. A second high-level panel discussion will be held on issues related to climate neutrality and green and healthy transport.

14. The panel discussions among ministers and relevant stakeholders on the related topics will be followed by ministerial statements and interventions of delegations from the floor.

7. Presentation of the Vienna declaration “Building forward better by transforming to new, clean, safe, healthy and inclusive mobility and transport”

*Tuesday, 18 May, morning session*

15. The Chair of the Steering Committee will introduce the draft Vienna declaration: “Building forward better by transforming to new, clean, safe, healthy and inclusive mobility and transport” and its annexes:

(a) Facts and figures on the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme;

(b) Recommendations for green and healthy sustainable transport – “Building forward better”;

(c) Pan-European master plan for cycling promotion;

(d) Policy recommendations for eco-driving;

(e) A handbook on sustainable urban mobility and spatial planning;


16. The drafts of these outcome documents have been prepared by the Steering Committee and its extended Bureau in consultation with member States, for adoption by the High-level Meeting.

17. The presentation will be followed by ministerial statements and interventions on commitments, actions and initiatives for policymakers in achieving the implementation of the strategies, policies and recommendations of the Vienna declaration and on hosting the Sixth High-level Meeting.

18. Member States might also wish to propose concrete activities for the implementation of the Workplan for the period 2021–2025.

19. It is expected that youth will make a statement to the Meeting.
20. This item will conclude with the handover of THE PEP relay-race baton to the host country of the Sixth High-level Meeting.

8. **Investing in the transition to clean, healthy, active and efficient mobility**

21. The third high-level panel will focus on the importance of active mobility and the achievements of THE PEP Partnership for Cycling Promotion, particularly the first pan-European master plan on cycling promotion. Member States will also be invited to make pledges regarding new THE PEP partnerships.

22. It is expected that member States will indicate their commitment to the implementation of the pan-European master plan on cycling promotion. Furthermore, it is expected that member States, as well as international organizations, will indicate their commitment to, and support for, THE PEP, including financial and/or in-kind contributions that would be the basis for the establishment of new THE PEP partnerships.

9. **Adoption of the Vienna declaration**

23. The Meeting is expected to adopt the Vienna declaration, the outcome document of the Fifth High-level Meeting, which includes the first pan-European master plan on cycling promotion. The ministers of the host country will symbolically sign the declaration.

24. The ministers of the host country are also expected to symbolically sign the pan-European master plan on cycling promotion to mark its adoption.

10. **Closing ceremony**

25. The Chair will sum up the Fifth High-level Meeting, highlighting the main conclusions and preside over a closing ceremony, after which the meeting will be declared closed.