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**2011 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EAP TASK FORCE**

**Draft Annotated Agenda**

**12-13 May 2011 (Berlin, Germany)**

*Agenda Item: 1*

*ACTION REQUIRED: For discussion and approval.*

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OUTLINE OF THE AGENDA

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5.	<b>Integrating development and environmental policies: Overview of relevant initiatives, including the OECD Green Growth Strategy</b>	Oral reports
6.	<b>Proposal for the Post-Astana Programme of Work by the OECD Secretariat</b> i Long-term (2012-2015) Programme of Work ii Indicative 2012 Work Plan	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)4 ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)5
7.	<b>EECCA RECs post-Astana priorities of work</b>	Draft papers
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9.	<b>Meeting wrap-up and closing</b>	Oral interventions

**ANNOTATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

<b>Thursday, 12 May, starting at 9:30</b>			
<b>1.</b>	<b>09:30 – 10:00</b>	<b>Welcome and Adoption of the Draft Agenda</b>	ENV/EPOC/EAP/A(2011)2/REV2
		<p>The EAP Task Force Co-Chairs and Ms Ursula HEINEN-ESSER, Parliamentary State Secretary, German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety will welcome delegates. The Co-Chairs will introduce the meeting objectives, and invite the Secretariat to present the agenda and meeting documentation.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force is invited to discuss and adopt the draft agenda.</p>	
<b>2.</b>	<b>10:00 – 10:30</b>	<b>Update on the Astana Ministerial Preparations</b>	Oral reports
		<p>The UNECE Secretariat will present a brief overview of the Astana agenda, the two substantive papers that were drafted, and the forthcoming meeting of the Committee on Environmental Policy that will negotiate the official outcome (declaration) of the next “Environment for Europe” Ministerial Conference. The Kazakh delegation will complement this presentation, if need be.</p> <p>A representative from the European Environmental Agency will provide a brief update on the Assessment of Assessments Report.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: For information.</p>	
<b>3.</b>	<b>10:30 – 11:30</b>	<b>Main outputs from the 2007-2011 Programme of Work: Report from the OECD Secretariat (part 1/3)</b>	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)1
		<p>Under this item of the agenda, the main policy conclusions and recommendations in the three flagship publications prepared by the OECD secretariat will be presented. Delegates will be invited to discuss and endorse the main findings.</p> <p><u>i. Policy messages from flagship reports</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Ten Years of Municipal Water Sector Reform in EECCA: from Almaty to Astana</i></li> </ul>	
	<b>11:30 – 12:30</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
<b>3.</b>	<b>12:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>Main outputs from the 2007-2011 Programme of Work: Report from the OECD Secretariat (part 2/3)</b>	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)2 ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)3
		<p><u>i. Policy messages from flagship reports</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Mainstreaming environmental programmes into public budgets in EECCA</i></li> <li>• <i>Environmental governance in EECCA in the context of green growth</i></li> </ul> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force is invited to discuss the main findings of the three flagship reports and endorse them, subject to written comments to be provided by 15 June 2011.</p>	

3.	14:00 – 14:45	<b>Main outputs from the 2007-2011 Programme of Work: Report from the OECD Secretariat (part 3/3)</b>	See the list of information papers
<u>ii. Overview of other outputs and participation in the Astana Ministerial Conference</u> <p>The OECD Secretariat will present other outputs, finalised in 2011, and will brief the delegates on the participation in the Astana Ministerial. This includes the contribution made to the substantive report on water, provided at the invitation of the UNECE Secretariat, and new elements of the EAP Task Force’s communication strategy.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force is invited to take note of the presentations and provide feedback on the participation in the Astana Ministerial.</p>			
<b>14:45 – 15:15 COFFEE BREAK</b>			
4.	15:15 – 16:45	<b>Outcomes from the completed EECCA RECs projects and RECs role in the Astana Ministerial</b>	Draft reports
<u>i. Major documents, produced by EECCA RECs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Current environmental liability regimes and practices for assessing environmental damage in EECCA countries</i></li> <li>• <i>Fuel Quality and Vehicle Emission Standards Overview (covering the Russian Federation, Moldova, Central Asia and the Caucasus)</i></li> <li>• <i>Towards the Green Economy: Cleaner Production as a Tool. The case of the South Caucasus</i></li> <li>• <i>Overview of EECCA RECs contribution to the AoA process, Prototype AoA Report for Central Asia</i></li> </ul> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force is invited to take note of the presentations and pose any questions.</p>			
4.	16:15 – 17:30	<b>Outcomes from the completed EECCA RECs projects and RECs role in the Astana Ministerial</b>	Draft reports
<u>ii. Overview of other outputs and RECs’ participation in the Astana Ministerial Conference</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Improving environmental governance and ensuring sustainable development at the local level in selected EECCA sub-regions</i></li> <li>• <i>Regional Guidelines for Community Forest Management</i></li> </ul> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force is invited to take note of the presentations and provide feedback on the RECs’ participation in the Astana Ministerial.</p>			
<b>18:30 EXCURSION AND DINNER</b>			

<b>Friday, 13 May, starting at 9:30</b>			
<b>5.</b>	<b>9:30 – 10:30</b>	<b>Integrating development and environmental policies: Overview of relevant initiatives, including the OECD Green Growth Strategy</b>	Oral reports
		<p>At their last meeting in January 2011, the Bureau members agreed to invite other international organisations active in the region to contribute to the discussion, and to share information on their activities related to green growth. Amongst others, OECD's Green Growth Strategy will be presented. Other organisations that have been invited include: the European Commission, UNESCAP, EBRD, UNDP, and the World Bank.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: the EAP Task Force is invited to take note of the presentations and pose any questions.</p>	
<b>6.</b>	<b>10:30 – 11:30</b>	<b>Proposal for the Post-Astana Programme of Work by the OECD Secretariat</b>	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)4 ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)5
		<p>Following decisions of the last meetings of the EAP Task Force and its Bureau, the OECD secretariat will introduce a document outlining priority areas for further work that it might support within the EAP Task Force after the Astana Ministerial Conference, and a complementary indicative plan of action for 2012.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">i Long-term (2012-2015) Programme of Work ii Indicative 2012 Work Plan</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: the EAP Task Force is invited to discuss the two documents, pose questions, and endorse the proposals, subject to mandate extension at the Astana Ministerial meeting.</p>	
	<b>11:30 – 12:00</b>	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	
<b>7.</b>	<b>12:00 – 13:00</b>	<b>EECCA RECs post-Astana priorities of work</b>	Draft papers
		<p>The representatives of EECCA RECs will present the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Integration of the concept Green Growth into economic development of EECCA (sub-regional approach)</i></li> <li>• <i>EECCA RECs input to Rio+20</i></li> <li>• <i>Indicative 2012 EECCA RECs' Work Plan (including EECCA RECs Strategy of work within the framework of the EAP TF)</i></li> </ul> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: the EAP Task Force is invited to take note of the presentations and pose any questions.</p>	

8.	13:00 – 14:00	<p><b>Extension of the EAP Task Force’s Mandate and ways to enhance the EAP Task Forces’ impact</b></p> <p>The extension of the mandate in previous “Environment for Europe” Ministerial Conferences was preceded by discussions within the EAP Task Force itself, which presented an opportunity to assess the effectiveness of work methods and programme implementation arrangements more generally. During the Berlin meeting, the EAP Task Force members may wish to consider the working methods that the OECD and EECCA RECs could employ to support the work of the EAP Task Force, separately and in cooperation. In so doing, the Task Force may wish to take account of evolving environmental priorities and geo-political changes, including a stronger domestic private sector, and maturing governance structures in some EECCA countries.</p> <p><b>ACTION REQUIRED:</b> The EAP Task Force is invited to decide on the future work methods and extension of the mandate, and instruct national delegates to the UNECE Committee on Environmental Policy and the Astana Ministerial Conference to promote this decision.</p>	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)6
9.	14:00 – 14:30	<p><b>Meeting wrap-up and closing</b></p> <p>Under this agenda item, a summary of the OECD and EECCA RECs contributions to the Astana Ministerial and post-Astana work under the EAP Task Force umbrella will be presented.</p> <p>Delegates will be invited to raise any other issues and agree on their next meeting.</p> <p>In order to make an assessment of the quality and effectiveness of this meeting, the OECD secretariat will invite delegates to fill in and return the evaluation questionnaire.</p> <p>At the end of the meeting, the Co-chairs will make closing remarks.</p>	Oral interventions
	14:30 – 15:30	<b>LUNCH</b>	
	16:00 – 17:30	<b>BUREAU MEETING</b>	

**DRAFT LIST OF MEETING DOCUMENTATION, PREPARED BY OECD**

Title	Document number	Indicative number of pages	
		Total	Requiring review
<b>DISCUSSION PAPERS</b>			
Draft Annotated Agenda of the 2011 Annual Meeting of the EAP Task Force (Berlin, 12-13 May 2011)	ENV/EPOC/EAP/A(2011)2/REV2	8	All
Ten Years of Municipal Water Sector Reform in EECCA: from Almaty to Astana	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)1	60	Executive summary and country data
Mainstreaming Environmental Programmes into Public Budgets in EECCA	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)2	120	Idem
Environmental Governance in EECCA in the Context of Green Growth	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)3	120	Idem
Proposal for a Long-term (2012-2015) Programme of Work of the OECD/EAP Task Force Secretariat	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)4	10	All
Indicative 2012 Work Plan of the OECD/EAP Task Force Secretariat	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)5	14	All
“Reinventing” the EAP Task Force: Organisation of work and possible extension of the mandate after the Astana “Environment for Europe” Ministerial Conference	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)6	4	All
<b>INFORMATION MATERIALS</b>			
Establishing a dynamic system of surface water quality regulation: Guidance for countries of Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia	ENV/EPOC/EAP/REPIN(2011)1	50	0
Guide on individual competence development within environmental inspectorates of EECCA	Publication	50	0

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Improving the Effectiveness and Efficiency of Environmental Inspections: Risk-Based Prioritisation and Planning In Moldova. Pilot Project Report	Publication	28	0
Removing Economic Benefits of Environmental Violations In Azerbaijan: Case Study Report	Publication	22	0
Guidelines for Performance-Based Contracts between Water Utilities and Municipalities: Lessons learnt from EECCA	Publication	120	0
Private Sector Participation in Water Supply and Sanitation in EECCA	Publication	90	0