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DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

Annual meeting of the EAP Task Force

20-21 October 2011, Chisinau, Moldova

Agenda item: 2.

ACTION REQUIRED: For discussion and adoption.

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2011 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EAP TASK FORCE**OUTLINE OF THE AGENDA****Thursday, 20 October 2011**

1.	Opening Remarks	9:30 – 9:45
2.	Adoption of the Berlin EAP Task Force Meeting Summary Record and Chisinau Meeting Agenda	9:45 – 10:00
3.	Conclusion of projects from the previous cycle of work i. OECD/EAP Task Force ii. EECCA RECs	10:00 – 10:30
4.	Election of the EAP Task Force co-Chairs and Bureau members	10:30 – 11:00
5.	Main outcomes of, and follow-up to, the Astana “Environment for Europe” Ministerial Conference i. Overall perspective ii. OECD/EAP Task Force iii. EECCA RECs	11:30 – 12:30
6.	Special session on green growth: Challenges and future priorities in EECCA countries	14:30 – 18:00

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7.	Post-Astana programming and financing aspects i. OECD/EAP Task Force ii. EECCA RECs	9:30 – 11:00
8.	Dates and location of the next EAP Task Force meeting	11:30 – 11:45
9.	Other business and closing remarks	11:45 – 12:30

ANNOTATIONS TO THE AGENDA

Thursday, 20 October 2011, starting at 9:30			
1.	09:30 – 9:45	Opening Remarks	
		<p>A high-level official from the host country will welcome delegates. The EAP Task Force Co-Chairs will introduce the meeting objectives.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: For information.</p>	
2.	9:45 – 10:00	Adoption of the Berlin EAP Task Force Meeting Summary Record and Chisinau Meeting Agenda	
		ENV/EPOC/EAP/A(2011)3	ENV/EPOC/EAP/M(2011)2
		<p>The OECD Secretariat will present the Summary Record of the EAP Task Force Meeting in Berlin in May 2011, as well as the agenda of the Chisinau Meeting and supporting documentation.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force members are invited:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. to take note of the final version of the Summary Record of their last annual meeting and raise any outstanding issues; 2. to discuss and adopt the draft agenda. 	
3.	10:00 – 10:30	Conclusion of projects from the previous cycle of work	
		i. OECD/EAP Task Force ii. EECCA RECs	See the list of documents for information
		<p>The OECD Secretariat and EECCA RECs will present a brief overview of the EAP Task Force projects from the previous cycle of work, which were concluded after the Berlin Meeting.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force members are invited to take note of the presentations and pose questions.</p>	
4.	10:30 – 11:00	Election of the EAP Task Force co-Chairs and Bureau members	
		Secretariat's letter of 3 October List of criteria for membership	
		<p>Given that the Chisinau Meeting marks the inception of a new cycle of work, the delegates will need to conduct election of the Co-chairs and Bureau members. A letter inviting nominations was circulated prior to the meeting. The OECD secretariat will inform the EAP Task Force of the candidates proposed for nomination to Co-chairs position and the Bureau.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: the EAP Task Force members are invited to designate new Co-chairs and members of the Bureau.</p>	
	11:00 – 11:30	COFFEE BREAK	

5.	11:30 – 12:30	<p>Main outcomes of, and follow-up to, the Astana “Environment for Europe” Ministerial Conference</p> <p><u>i. Overall perspective</u></p> <p>The OECD secretariat will remind delegates about the main outcomes of the “Environment for Europe” Ministerial Conference in Astana (21-23 September 2011), which are summarised in the three main documents of the Conference:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Astana Ministerial Declaration; 2. Chair’s Summary of the Astana Ministerial Conference; 3. Report of the Astana Conference. <p>The UNECE Secretariat and the Kazakh delegation will be invited to complement this presentation.</p> <p><u>ii. OECD/EAP Task Force</u></p> <p>The OECD secretariat will inform the EAP Task Force about its role and participation in the Astana Conference.</p> <p><u>iii. EECCA RECs</u></p> <p>A representative from EECCA RECs will inform delegates about their role in the Conference.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force is invited to take note of the presentations and provide feedback on the main outcomes of, and follow up to, the Astana Ministerial.</p>	<p>ECE/ASTANA.CONF/2011/2/Add.1 ECE/ASTANA.CONF/2011/2/Add.2 ECE/ASTANA.CONF/2011/2</p>
	12:30 – 14:30	LUNCH	
6.	14:30 – 18:00	<p>Special session on green growth: Challenges and future priorities in EECCA countries</p> <p>This session will aim at presenting a snapshot of current efforts by countries of Eastern Europe, Caucasus, and Central Asia to promote green growth nationally. Country delegates and partners from international organisations will be invited to share information on such efforts.</p> <p>A particular attention will be given to price signal and environmental fiscal reform, the incentives for private sector investment into green projects, and governance aspects of green growth promotion, including intra-government arrangements to make economic and environmental goals mutually supportive.</p> <p>The Secretariat will kick-off the discussion by presenting selected data and recommendations from the report “Environmental Governance and Green Growth in EECCA”. This will be followed by brief presentations and a general discussion.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force is invited to share their country experience, highlight the recent trends in EECCA <i>vis-à-vis</i> green growth promotion, and reflect on further needs to enable the green transformation of economies in the region.</p>	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)7

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7.	9:30 – 11:00	Post-Astana programming and financing aspects	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)4/REV1 ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)5/REV1
		<p><u>i. OECD/EAP Task Force</u></p> <p>Following the preliminary discussions of the Long-term (2012-2015) Programme of Work and the Work Programme for 2012, conducted in May in Berlin, the OECD secretariat will introduce the amended versions of these documents, the assessed finance needs and its current budgetary situation.</p> <p><u>ii. EECCA RECs</u></p> <p>A representative from EECCA RECs will outline priority areas for further work after the Astana Ministerial Conference, and financing needs.</p> <p>ACTION REQUIRED: The EAP Task Force is invited to discuss and endorse the proposals, signal country priorities and eventual voluntary contributions to enable the work programme's implementation. In terms of priorities, EECCA countries are invited to clearly indicate whether they would like to realise demonstration projects under various areas of work, and host regional events. The EAP Task Force is also invited to reflect on how to extend partnerships with other governmental and non-governmental stakeholders.</p>	
	11:00 – 11:30	COFFEE BREAK	
8.	11:30 – 11:45	Dates and location of the next EAP Task Force meeting	
		Delegates will be invited to agree on their next meeting.	
9.	11:45 – 12:30	Other business and closing remarks	
		<p>Under this agenda item, delegates will be invited to raise any other questions pertinent to the EAP Task Force work.</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>	

ANNEX 1. DRAFT LIST OF MEETING DOCUMENTATION

Title	Cote number	Indicative date of release	Indicative number of pages	
			Total	Requiring review
Main documents				
Draft annotated agenda of the 2011 annual meeting of the EAP Task Force (Chisinau, 20-21 October 2011)	ENV/EPOC/EAP/A(2011)3	7 October	7	All
Draft long-term programme of work of the EAP Task Force (2012-2015)	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)4/REV1	7 October	10	All
Draft programme of work and budget of the EAP Task Force for 2012	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)5/REV1	7 October	8	All
Green growth and environmental governance in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia	ENV/EPOC/EAP(2011)7	Available, 15 October for the Russian version	190	Executive summary and country-specific information
Documents for information				
EAP Task Force Summary Record (Berlin, 12-13 May 2011)	ENV/EPOC/EAP/M(2011)2	Available	19	0
Astana Ministerial Declaration (Astana, 21-23 September 2011)	ECE/ASTANA.CONF/2011/2/Ad d.1	7 October		0
Chair's Summary of the Astana Ministerial Conference (Astana, 21-23 September 2011)	ECE/ASTANA.CONF/2011/2/Ad d.2	10 October		0
Natural resource tenure: Key points for reformers in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia	ENV/EPOC/EAP/REPIN(2011)2	Available, English version only	37	0
Economic and institutional aspects of natural resources management in Georgia	ENV/EPOC/EAP/REPIN(2011)3	Available, English version only	62	0
Information for sustainable resource management: Key points for reformers in EECCA	ENV/EPOC/EAP/REPIN(2011)4	Available, English version only	37	0
Towards better management of natural capital: An assessment framework for Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia	ENV/EPOC/EAP/REPIN(2011)5	Available, English version only	93	0

Title	Cote number	Indicative date of release	Indicative number of pages	
			Total	Requiring review
Environmental liability for damage to natural resources in EECCA: Implementation of good international practices	ENV/EPOC/EAP/REPIN(2011)6	Draft is available	30	0
The economic significance of natural resources: Key points for reformers in EECCA	ENV/EPOC/EAP/REPIN(2011)7	Available	45	0
Documents for display				
Ten years of water sector reform in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia	Publication	Available	148	0
Private sector participation in water supply and sanitation in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia	Publication	Available	120	0
Guidelines for performance-based contracts between water utilities and municipalities: Lessons learnt from Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia	Publication	Available	110	0
Establishing a dynamic system of surface water quality regulation: Guidance for countries of Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia	Publication	Available	53	0
Greening public budgets in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia	Publication	Available	140	0
Greening public budgets in EECCA: Highlights for policy makers	Policy brief	Available	8	0
Towards green growth	Publication	Available	142	0
Towards green growth: Monitoring progress. OECD indicators	Publication	Available	141	0
Analysis of existing systems and methods of current practices of environmental liability and environmental damage assessment in the countries of Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia (EECCA)	REC document	Available	54	0

Note: Additional documents for the meeting are likely to be submitted by the EECCA RECs.