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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues (Global)

Date: 6 March 2023

Time: 10:00

Venue: COUNCIL

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Rue de la Loi 145, 1048 BRUSSELS

1. UNEP meetings

Reporting back:

- Open Ended Working Group on Science Policy Panel 1.2 (Bangkok, Thailand)
30 January – 3 February
- Secretariat briefing: Training session on how to use the UNEA Monitoring and Reporting Portal of 7 February
- Meeting of the CPR Bureau of 14 February
- Meeting of the Subcommittee of the CPR of 16 February

Preparation for upcoming meetings:

- 161st meeting of the CPR of 9 March
- Meeting of the Subcommittee of the CPR of 23 March
- = *Information from the Presidency, the Commission and EU representatives in Nairobi*

2. UNEP and UNEA matters

- First draft plan for EU coordination of UNEA-6 preparations including ministerial declaration
- = *Presentation and next steps by the Presidency, followed by a discussion*

- Information regarding upcoming CPR agenda items:
 - UNEA contribution to HLPF
 - Bracing for Superbugs: Strengthening environmental action in the ‘One Health’ response to antimicrobial resistance
 - Briefing on the International Methane Emissions Observatory
 - Secretariat briefing on UNEP’s engagement with youth stakeholders
 = *Information from the Presidency*
 - Update of implementation of UNEA-5 resolutions
 - UNEA 5/2 Resolution on Sustainable Nitrogen Management
 - UNEA 5/3 Resolution on Global Environment Outlook
 - UNEA 5/5 Resolution on Nature-based Solutions for Supporting Sustainable Development
 - UNEA 5/8 Resolution on Science-Policy Panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution
 - UNEA 5/12 Resolution on Environmental Aspects of Minerals and Metals Management
 = *Information from the Presidency and the Commission*
3. Negotiations of an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution
- Outreach activities including reporting back from informal meeting of the chair with those nominated by their regional groups to the Bureau of the INC and HAC update
 - = *Information from the Presidency and the Commission and exchange of views*
 - Aims for INC-2
 - = *Information about the bureau documents by the Presidency, followed by a discussion*
 - Objective for the future instrument
 - = *Information on the new position paper by the Presidency, followed by a discussion*
 - Potential NBI procedure on Joint Ministerial Statement of the High Ambition Coalition to End Plastic Pollution
 - = *Information from the Presidency and the Commission*
4. Preparations for the 2023 UN Water Conference (22-24 March 2023, New York)
- Reporting back from the water expert meeting of 21 February 2023
 - = *Information on the state of play and next steps by the Presidency*
 - Defining key messages on each interactive dialogue to provide to the EU DEL for outreach
 - = *Information on the state of play and next steps by the Presidency, followed by a discussion*
 - Information about the preparations
 - = *Information by the Dutch delegation and EU DEL New York*
 - NBI on the Transboundary Water Cooperation Coalition and EU and its Member States voluntary commitments for the UN Water Conference
 - = *Information from the Presidency and the Commission*
5. Any other business

NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal.