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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Contact:	environment@consilium.europa.eu
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Subject:	Working Party on International Environment Issues (Global)
Date:	24 November 2026
Time:	10:00
Venue:	COUNCIL LEX BUILDING Rue de la Loi 145, 1048 BRUSSELS

Format 2+2

1. Global Water issues
   1.1 2026 UN Water Conference (Abu Dhabi, UAE, 8-10 December 2026)
      a) Information on the latest developments, including the UAE resolution "Establishment of the Periodicity of UN Water Conferences".
      b) Workshop on 22 October 2026 debrief
      c) EU+MS LTTs
      d) EU Village / Pavilion

   1.2 2028 UN Water Conference
      - Latest developments and future work

   1.3 1992 UN Water Convention
      - Latest developments and future work

   = Information from the Presidency and the Commission, followed by discussion

2. Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (INC)
   2.1 Debriefing on INC related meetings

   2.2 Strategic Discussion on next steps for INC Process (including follow-up to INC workshop 23 November 2026)

   = *Information from the Presidency, the Commission and EU Bureau member, followed by discussion*

3. UNEP/UNEA
   3.1 Debriefing on recent meetings of UNEP governing bodies
      a) CPR Sub-committee meetings (3, 5, 12, 17, 19, 20 November 2026)
      b) Joint meeting of the Bureaux of UNEA-8 and the CPR (5 November 2026)
      c) CPR Bureau meeting (10 November 2026)
      d) UNEP Digital Day (12 November 2026)
      e) 176th meeting of the CPR (23 November 2026)

   3.2 UN80 and Work Package 27: Secretary-General's Information Brief on Environment, prepared in the framework of the UN80 Initiative

   3.3 EU+MS preparations for UNEA-8: Preliminary discussion and preparations for UNEP/UNEA Workshop (25 November 2026)

   = *Information from the Presidency, the Commission, the EU Delegation in Nairobi and EU Bureau members, followed by discussion*

4. Any other business

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