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## **INFORMATION**

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**From:** General Secretariat of the Council  
**To:** Working Party on International Environment Issues (Global)

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**Subject:** WPIEI (Global): Roadmap for the work during the Polish Presidency

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Delegations will find attached, for information, a roadmap for the Working Party on International Environment Issues (Global) during the Polish Presidency (1 January - 30 June 2025).



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## **WPIEI Global Roadmap**

1 January - 30 June 2025

## I. Work Programme

Under the Polish Presidency, WPIEI Global will focus on the preparations for the 7th session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-7), which will take place in Nairobi, Kenya, from 8 to 12 December 2025.

In particular, WPIEI Global will work on the priorities of EU and Member States for UNEA-7, a concept note for one or two resolutions proposed for this session and the position on the draft Ministerial Declaration.

We will continue the preparatory work on the UNEP Medium-Term Strategy 2026–2029 and the UNEP Programme of Work 2026–2027 with budget. The main focus will be on the following areas:

- developing sustainable consumptions and production patterns, including circular economy approaches, and sustainable lifestyle;
- promoting science, innovation together with effective environmental governance.

We will address ongoing UNEP-related activities and intersessional processes, as well as follow-up activities and strategic discussions on the implementation of UNEA resolutions. Contributions to the UNEP Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR) and its Subcommittee, as well as to the UNEA-7 and CPR Bureaux meetings, will be prepared, if appropriate.

WPIEI Global will also seek progress in the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) on an international legally binding instrument to end plastic pollution.

In the light of the results of the INC-5 session in Busan, we look forward to the date and place of the resumed session, INC-5.2. Until they are announced, the Polish Presidency will proceed with the preparations for this session

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## II. WPIEI Global meetings

Date	Main agenda items	Venue
<b>January</b>		
17 January 2025	<p><b>WPIEI Global</b></p> <p>Presentation of the programme of the Polish Presidency &amp; Presidency Team.</p> <p>UNEP/UNEA and other global issues:            Preparation for the CPR Subcommittee meeting on 23 January 2025.            Preparation for the CPR Bureau meeting on 28 January 2025.            Preparation for UNEA-7: priorities of the EU and the Member States, including discussion on main messages to be included in the Ministerial Declaration.</p> <p>Discussion on the steps to be taken in the context of the outcomes of INC-5 meeting in Busan, in particular taking into account Chair's text of 1 December 2024 and outreach strategy before INC-5.2.</p>	Full day, in person, Brussels
<b>February</b>		
11 February 2025	Plastic pollution workshop (if appropriate).	tbc
12 February 2025	<p><b>WPIEI Global</b></p> <p>Debriefing of CPR Subcommittee and CPR Bureau meetings.</p> <p>Preparation for UNEA-7, including discussion on the draft submission of contributions to the Ministerial Declaration.</p> <p>Further preparations for INC-5.2.</p>	Full day, in person, Brussels

March		
3 March 2025 (tbc)	<p>WPIEI Global Debriefing of CPR Subcommittee meeting.</p> <p>Preparation for UNEA-7, ██████████ ██████████ developing the EU+MS position on MTS and PoW.</p> <p>UNEA contribution to HLPF on Sustainable Development.</p> <p>Continued preparation for INC-5.2.</p>	Full day, in person, Brussels
4 March 2025	Plastic pollution workshop (if appropriate).	tbc
April		
3 April 2025	Plastic pollution workshop (if appropriate).	tbc
4 April 2025 (tbc)	<p>WPIEI Global Debriefing of 169th CPR, CPR Subcommittee and UNEA-7 Bureaux meetings.</p> <p>Preparation for UNEA-7: ██████████ ██████████; preparation of EU+MS position on MTS, PoW and for outreaches.</p> <p>Discussion of submitted contributions to the zero draft Ministerial Declaration.</p> <p>Further preparatory work for INC-5.2.</p>	Full day, in person, Brussels
May		
15 May 2025	Plastic pollution workshop (if appropriate).	tbc
16 May 2025 (tbc)	<p>WPIEI Global Debriefing of CPR Bureau and CPR Subcommittee meetings.</p> <p>Preparation for UNEA-7: ██████████ ██████████ preparation of EU+MS position on MTS, PoW and for outreaches.</p> <p>Further preparations for INC-5.2.</p> <p>Information on the preparatory process for the UN Ocean Conference 2025, UNOC Nice, 5-13 June 2025.</p>	Full day, in person, Brussels

June		
5 June 2025	Plastic pollution workshop (if appropriate).	tbc
6 June 2025 (tbc)	WPIEI Global Debriefing of CPR and UNEA-7 Bureaux joint meeting.  Preparation for UNEA-7: [REDACTED]; preparation of EU+MS position on MTS, PoW and for outreaches.  Continuation of preparations for INC-5.2 (if appropriate).	Full day, in person, Brussels

### III. EU relevant meetings

Date	Event	Venue
18-19 February 2025	Meeting of Directors-General for Environment	Poland
27 March 2025	Environment Council	Brussels
28-29 April 2025	Informal meeting of Environment ministers	Poland
13-15 May 2025	Nature Directors' Meeting	Poland, Warsaw and Biebrza National Park
17 June 2025	Environment Council	Luxembourg

### IV. UNEP governing bodies and Bureaux meetings

Date	Event	Venue
23 January 2025	Meeting of the Subcommittee of the CPR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of UNEP thematic programmes:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Towards Zero Waste</i></li> <li><i>Pollution and Health</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>New Policy Brief: Policymakers' Guide to Robust Life Cycle Assessment</li> <li>Briefing on the outcomes of CBD COP 16</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid

28 January 2025	<b>Meeting of the CPR Bureau</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparations for UNEA-7</li> <li>• Contribution of UNEA to the HLPF</li> <li>• Organization of work</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid
27 February 2025	<b>Meeting of the CPR Subcommittee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of UNEP thematic programmes: <i>Finance and Economic Transformations</i> <i>Circularity in Sectors</i></li> <li>• Briefing on the outcomes of UNFCCC COP 29</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid
13 March 2025	<b>Meeting of the CPR Subcommittee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of UNEP thematic programmes: <i>Adaptation &amp; Resilience</i> <i>Decarbonization</i></li> <li>• Consideration of evaluation reports and audits</li> <li>• Development of a medium-term strategy for the period 2026-2029 and a draft programme of work and budget for the period 2026-2027</li> <li>• Recommendations from the subcommittee for consideration at the upcoming CPR quarterly meeting</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid
18 March 2025	<b>Meeting of the CPR Bureau</b>	Nairobi - hybrid
20 March 2025	<b>169th meeting of the CPR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report of the Executive Director</li> <li>• Preparations for UNEA-7</li> <li>• Contribution of UNEA to the HLPF on Sustainable Development</li> <li>• Development of a medium-term strategy for the period 2026-2029 and a draft programme of work and budget for the period 2026-2027</li> <li>• Report of the Subcommittee</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid
25 March 2025	<b>Meeting of UNEA-7 Bureau</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of the zero draft Ministerial Declaration for UNEA-7</li> <li>• Organization of work</li> <li>• Other items</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid
27 March 2025	<b>Secretariat's briefing</b> Briefing on land degradation, droughts, desertification and water scarcity (tbc)	Nairobi

27 March 2025	<p>Meeting of the CPR Subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Briefing on the outcomes of UNCCD COP16</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid
10 April 2025	<p>Meeting of the CPR Bureau</p> <p>Agenda tbc</p>	Nairobi - hybrid
15 April 2025	<p>First intergovernmental consultations on the zero draft Ministerial Declaration</p>	Nairobi - hybrid
17 April 2025	<p>Meeting of the CPR Subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Briefing on World Environment Day</li> <li>• Review of UNEP thematic programmes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Science and Transparency</i></li> <li><i>Conservation, Restoration and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Briefing on GEDS</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid
15 May 2025	<p>Meeting of the CPR Subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of UNEP thematic programmes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Mainstreaming Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Across Sectors and Systems</i></li> <li><i>Environmental Governance</i></li> <li><i>Governance and Accountability for Biodiversity</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid
28 May 2025	<p>Joint meeting of UNEA-7 and CPR Bureaux</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on the consultations on the draft ministerial declaration for UNEA-7</li> <li>• Draft annotated provisional agenda for UNEA-7</li> <li>• Draft structure for UNEA-7</li> <li>• Organization of work</li> <li>• Other items TBC</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid
3 June 2025	<p>Meeting of the CPR Bureau</p> <p>Preparations for 170th meeting of the CPR</p>	Nairobi - hybrid
12 June 2025	<p>Meeting of the CPR Subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of UNEP thematic programmes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Digital Transformations</i></li> <li><i>Science for Policy and Action</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Consideration of evaluation reports and audits</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid

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16 June 2025	Second intergovernmental consultations on the zero draft Ministerial Declaration	Nairobi - hybrid
19 June 2025	<p>170th meeting of the CPR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report of the Executive Director to the 170th meeting of the CPR</li> <li>• Presentation of first drafts of the medium-term strategy for 2026-2029 and programme of work for 2026-2027</li> <li>• Update on the preparations for UNEA-7</li> <li>• Report of the Subcommittee</li> <li>• Election of officers to the CPR Bureau 2025-2027</li> </ul>	Nairobi - hybrid

## V. Relevant international meetings

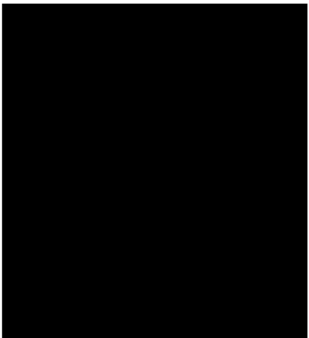
Date	Event	Venue
20-24 January 2025	64th Standing Committee of the Ramsar Convention	Gland
3-8 February 2025	78th meeting of the CITES Standing Committee. (CITES Standing Committee – the second decision-making body of the Washington Convention after the CoP)	Geneva
25-27 February 2025	Second Resumed session of the UN CBD COP (COP 16)	Rome
5-7 March 2025	World Sustainable Development Summit	New Delhi
11-14 March 2025	Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL) Global Forum 2024	Bridgetown, Barbados

25-27 March 2025	Second Global Conference on Air Pollution and Health	Cartagena de Indias, Bolivar, Colombia
1-4 April 2025 (tbc)	Science Policy Panel to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution	Beijing
2-3 April 2025	UNCEC Regional Forum on Sustainable Development	Geneva
14-25 April 2025	Triple COP: Conference of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions	Geneva
28 April - 9 May 2025	UN Forum on Forests (UNFF20)	New York
29-30 May 2025	Resumed 2nd session of UN Habitat Assembly	Nairobi
2-6 May 2025	8th session of the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction	Geneva
7 June 2025	Ocean Rise and Coastal Resilience Coalition Summit	Nice
9-13 June 2025	Third UN Ocean Conference	Nice
16-26 June 2025	62nd Sessions of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies	Bonn
21-27 June 2027	OEWG and first Conference of the Global Framework for Chemicals	Nairobi
30 June - 3 July 2025	Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development	Spain

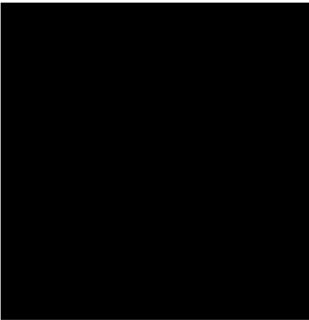
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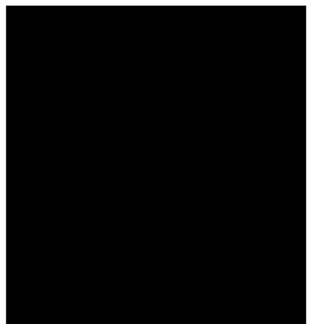
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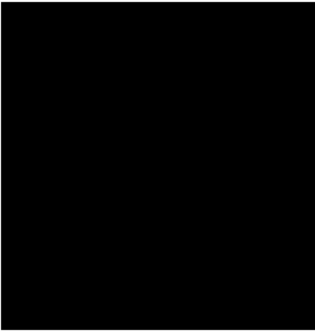


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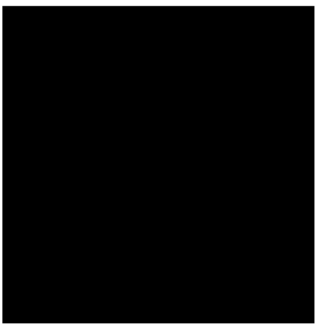
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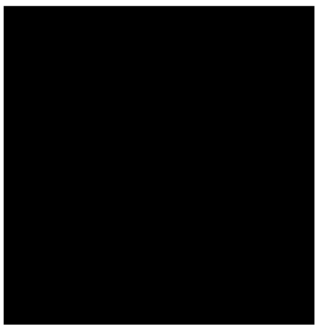
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