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Hosted by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP),
New York.

Preparatory technical segment: 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Senior officials' segment: 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Report of the Meeting

I. Summary of proceedings

1. The nineteenth meeting of the senior officials of the Environment Management Group was held in New York on 19 September 2013, hosted by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).
2. The meeting consisted of two segments as set out in the agenda (Annex I): a technical segment, at which participants considered a progress report on the on-going work and suggested actions for further work of the EMG; and a senior officials segment, at which participants approved the suggested actions and discussed strategic directions for the EMG. The meeting was attended by representatives of 32 member agencies (Annex II). The working and information documents of the meeting are available on the EMG website: www.unemg.org.

A. Technical Segment

3. The technical segment was opened at 9.00 a.m. with introductory remarks by the co-chairs Mr. Elliott Harris, Secretary of the EMG and Ms. Anne Marie Sloth Carlsen, Senior Advisor on Environment Management and Sustainable Development of the UNDP. Mr. Harris expressed his thanks to the UNDP for hosting of the meeting. Following the adoption of the agenda (Annex I), the technical segment discussed and finalized the actions on future work of the EMG as contained in the document: "Progress report on EMG's on-going work and suggested directions for further work" (EMG/SOM.19/03). The finalized actions were submitted to the senior officials segment through its co-chairs. The meeting of the technical segment was declared closed at 1.30 p.m.

B. Senior Officials Segment

4. The senior officials segment was opened at 3.15 pm by the co-chairs Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP and Chair of the Environment Management Group, and Ms. Rebeca Grynspan, Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). The co-chairs welcomed Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi, the newly appointed Secretary General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and Mr. Elliot Harris the new Secretary of the EMG Secretariat and thanked the EMG secretariat for its diligent work during the past few years . The meeting heard the introductory remarks of the co-chairs and Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for UN Department of Social Affairs (UNDESA) who informed the meeting on the recent developments of the post Rio+20 processes, highlighting the relevance and timeliness of interagency cooperation in the EMG to implement the outcome of the Rio+20.

5. After adopting of the agenda, (see annex I to the present report), the co-chairs invited an oral presentation of the outcome and recommended actions of the technical segment from its co-chairs. The conclusions and actions agreed upon by the senior officials are presented in parts II.A and B below. Following the adoption of actions and the strategic discussions, the nineteenth meeting of the senior officials of the Environment Management Group was declared closed at 5.15 p.m.

II. Conclusions

A. Technical Segment

1. *The IMG on Biodiversity*

6. The technical segment was briefed on the progress and outcomes of the Issue Management Group on Biodiversity (IMG) by CBD. It recognized the significance of the IMG's work supporting the development and adoption of a system wide strategic plan on biodiversity and successively enhancing interagency cooperation towards reaching the Aichi targets. While acknowledging the time bound nature of IMGs, the technical segment considered it important to continue the IMG on Biodiversity for another year to finalize its on-going tasks and contribute to the midterm evaluation of progress in the implementation of the Strategic Framework for Biodiversity to be discussed at CBD COP12 in 2014. The technical segment emphasised the importance of action at national level and suggested that the IMG could play a role in supporting implementation of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets by integrating them into national level strategies and planning tools such as the United Nations Development Action Frameworks (UNDAFs).

7. The technical segment proposed the following action to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Action I: Directions for the Issue Management Group (IMG) on Biodiversity

The senior officials decide to continue the IMG for another year to undertake and coordinate the following tasks:

1. Present the online biodiversity mapping tool to CBD SBSTTA 17, transfer it to the CBD for future maintenance and make it available to Member States and other stakeholders.
2. Contribute, as appropriate, to the NBSAPs Forum for the review and implementation of the National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs).

3. Contribute to the mid-term review process of the Aichi Targets including by providing indicators and data, in particular those relevant to the national level implementation of the targets; also, further consider ways to integrate the Aichi Targets into other country level planning tools such as the UNDAFs.

4. Prepare a progress report by the EMG on contribution of the UN system to the Strategic Framework for Biodiversity, for consideration of the 12th COP of the CBD.

2. The IMG on Land

8. The technical segment heard a short presentation by UNCCD on the results of the work of the Issue Management Group on Land and conveyed its appreciation to those who contributed to the “UN Action Plan on Drylands” which was presented to the UNCCD COP11.

9. Recognizing the accomplishments and completed mission of the IMG as well as congratulating the IMG members for their achievements, the technical segment proposed the following action to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Action II: the Issue Management Group (IMG) on Land

In view of the time-bound and issue-focused nature of the IMG and accomplishment of its tasks, the senior officials decided to conclude the work of the IMG on land with the submission of the “UN Action Plan on Drylands” to the 11th COP of the UNCCD.

3. The IMG on Green Economy

10. The technical segment was briefed on the progress and outcomes of the Issue Management Group on green economy by UNEP and noted with satisfaction the draft Stocktaking Report on Green Economy Knowledge Products prepared by the IMG, focused on available green economy toolkits, best practices, lessons learned and assessment methodologies. Considering the scope and variety of ongoing green economy initiatives, the technical segment encouraged the IMG to identify options to maintain and update the stocktaking to further enhance synergy and respond to identified knowledge gaps, and to make this information accessible to all relevant stakeholders including through existing web-based tools.

11. Regarding institutional options for the coordination of green economy related work within the UN system, the technical segment underlined the importance of acknowledging the plurality of existing practices, policies and methodologies in order to flexibly support evolution of this dynamic field of work and avoid standardization, in line with the Rio+20 outcome document. The technical segment suggested preparation of an options paper by the IMG, addressing identified needs for system-wide coordination as well as possible coordination mechanisms that would contribute to awareness raising of ongoing initiatives, the facilitation of information sharing, more coherent green economy messaging and promotion of a socially, environmentally and economically balanced approach to green economy within the UN system. The green economy options paper could follow the structure used in the EMG Options Paper on Environmental and Social Sustainability Framework.

12. The technical segment proposed the following action to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Action III: The Issue Management Group (IMG) on Green Economy

The senior officials welcome the draft stocktaking report and guide on inclusive green economy knowledge products in the UN system and take note of the IMG's discussion on the coordination of inclusive green economy activities in the UN system.

They decide to extend the IMG for one year to:

1. Finalize the stocktaking report and identify options on how the information gathered can be maintained, including through web-based tools for accessing these products.
2. Prepare a paper on institutional options for enhanced UN system wide support for inclusive green economy work, using the options paper on the UN sustainability framework as one model to draw on.
3. As one of the areas of coordination that could derive from the proposed options paper, facilitate information sharing on existing and emerging policy options, methodologies and technical advice on inclusive green economy to enhance a coherent approach among UN entities.

4. Consultations on Environmental and Social Sustainability in the United Nations System

13. The technical segment was briefed on the progress and outcomes of the Consultative Process by UNDP, in its capacity as co-chair of the Process. The technical segment underlined the importance of this activity in the context of enhancing integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development in the UN system as provided for in the Rio+20 outcome document. The technical segment noted the draft Interim Guidance for Implementing the Framework for Advancing Environmental and Social Sustainability in the UN System prepared by the Consultative Process which can be used by each agency to implement the Framework on Environment and Social Sustainability. It also noted the "Options Paper on System-wide Issues in the Follow up of the Framework for Advancing Environmental and Social Sustainability in the UN System" which will be circulated for comments to other relevant inter/agency mechanisms such as the High Level Committee on Program (HLCP).

14. The Department of Field Support (DFS) of the United Nations informed the meeting about the Security Council resolution 2100 which for the first time mandates the peacekeeping missions to manage their environmental impacts. A concern was raised with regards to possible liabilities and legal challenges arising from the Framework in situations where, e.g. necessary health and security related measures fail to fulfil sustainability requirements. A meeting with specialists and the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) was proposed to address the legal and other implications associated with implementation of the framework by the UN system. The importance was underscored of applying a sustainability perspective to decisions and investments by UN system pension funds and including these in the Framework.

15. The technical segment proposed the following action to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Actions IV: Consultations on Advancing the Framework for Environmental and Social

Sustainability in the UN system.

The senior officials:

1. Welcome the report of the retreat of the Consultative Process, the draft Interim Guide for Implementation of the Sustainability Framework by each UN agency and the draft Options Paper on the system-wide issues in the follow up of the Framework in the UN system;
2. Encourage UN entities to move ahead in implementing the Sustainability Framework by benefiting from the Interim Guide;
3. Request the Chair of the EMG to take the necessary action in pursuing the recommendations on follow up to the Framework in the UN system as provided in the draft Options Paper, including sharing the Options Paper with other inter-agency mechanisms for comments.
4. Decide to continue the Consultative Process for one more year to finalize the Interim Guide and the Options Paper based on the feed-back received from UN system entities and inter-agency mechanisms, and report on progress made at the next Senior Officials' meeting.

5. The IMG on Environmental Sustainability Management in the United Nations System

16. The technical segment was briefed on the progress of the IMG by the UN Secretariat and the Sustainable UN Initiative (SUN). In addition to being an important initiative from the internal coherence point of view, the economic benefits of introducing environmental management systems to UN entities were highlighted. It was further emphasized that the indicators by which progress towards targets and milestones will be measured, will vary depending on the organization and its activities. The meeting was also briefed on the close work of the IMG with the CEB High Level Committee on Management (HLCM) on implementing the Environmental Management Systems in the UN system. Finally, the technical segment acknowledged the need to identify a more permanent structure and location of the IMG, after its current mandate runs out in 2014.

17. The technical segment proposed the following action to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Action V: System-wide commitments on Environmental Sustainability Management

1. The senior officials welcome the decisions made by the HLCM and CEB to commit the UN system to the "development and implementation of environmental sustainability management systems in each organization" and to "engage to achieve measurable progress to enhance environmental sustainability of UN operations".
2. The senior officials appreciate the links that have been created between the EMG and the HLCM and commit to report through UNEP to the HLCM on progress towards the development of environmental sustainability management systems on a yearly basis. A report will be sent to HLCM after each EMG SOM in consultation with the HLCM secretariat.
3. Taking into account the IMG experience to date and also the voluntary nature of the commitment to environmental sustainability management systems, senior officials agree to

recommend to the HLCM that “measurable progress to enhance environmental sustainability of UN operations” be expressed in terms of progress against a series of agreed milestones, at least in the first instance.

4. Senior officials commend UNEP for the efforts made through the EMG in steering progress on internal environmental sustainability and invite UNEP to confirm its intention to continue its work of coordination, technical support and reporting and to look into the potential need to find a longer term platform to support this issue;

5. In response to the CEB request to “achieve measurable progress to enhance environmental sustainability of UN operations”, senior officials commit to join forces for the development of a common reporting service, based on experience with GHG inventory reporting, to enable the EMG to report to the HLCM on progress against the indicators of the HLCM Results framework.

6. Progress on Peer-Reviewing of Environmental Management Profiles of United Nations Organizations

18. The technical segment was briefed on the progress of the Peer-reviews of WMO, UNIDO and UNEP by the EMG secretariat. EMG members were invited to participate in the first meeting of the Peer Review Body, to be hosted by WMO on 28-29 January 2014 in Geneva to review the peer-review reports. The final reports will be submitted to SOM20 in 2014. Organizations interested in being part of the second round of peer-reviews were invited to notify the EMG Secretariat.

19. The technical segment proposed the following action to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Action VI: Environmental Peer Reviews of the EMG members

1. Senior officials thank WMO, UNIDO, and UNEP for volunteering to be peer reviewed, as well as other UN entities participating in the peer review expert teams.

2. They welcome the good progress made in the pilot phase of the peer review and preparation of the respective reports and express their interest to participate in the Peer Review Body at its forthcoming meetings in Geneva and New York in 2014.

3. They look forward to the assessment of the pilot phase (2013-2014) at their next meeting in 2014, including the final peer review reports.

4. They welcome the interest expressed by the UPU to be added in the peer-review program and invite other UN entities to join.

7. Addressing New issues

a) Contribution by the EMG for a UN system-wide approach to the sound management of chemicals

20. In response to the Rio+20 outcome and a call for a system-wide approach to the sound management of chemicals, the technical segment considered the possibility of preparing a system

wide approach on the sound management of chemicals and its implementation at national level, based on a background "Issue Paper" by the EMG Secretariat. The system-wide approach would be a contribution and an impetus to the work of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) by elevating the profile of the chemicals management within all relevant organizations of the UN System benefiting from the EMG strategic and UN wide roles and membership.

21. While acknowledging the significance of the issue of chemicals management, the technical segment concluded that further consultation with the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) is needed to avoid duplication of work and to ensure an added value by the EMG. The technical segment suggested that the IOMC be invited to comment on the draft Issue Paper and provide its views on the Terms of Reference for a potential Issue Management Group on this issue, following its next scheduled meeting in November.

b) Taking stock of financing for the international cooperation on environmental matters

22. The technical segment, following a background "Issue Paper" prepared by the EMG Secretariat, engaged in a discussion on whether a contribution by the EMG to assessing/taking stock of funding/financing of the environmental agenda in the context of financing for sustainable development, would be useful.

23. While considering such work to be potentially valuable, the technical segment saw a risk for duplication with the work of the recently established Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing. It considered it wise to await the results of the stocktaking exercise that the Committee of Experts is undertaking as well as other similar ongoing processes, before undertaking a stocktaking by the EMG on this issue. Furthermore, the technical segment foresaw a challenge in distinguishing what environmental funding is and noted that there will be a need to further elaborate on how and for which purposes the results from a possible stocktaking would be used.

24. The technical segment proposed the following actions to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Action VII: Addressing new issues for future work of the EMG

1. The senior officials agree with the importance of raising the profile of sound chemicals management within all relevant organizations of the UN System. Given the IOMC is the established coordinating mechanism among the UN family and OECD, the senior officials agree to invite the IOMC at their forthcoming November meeting to examine the draft issues paper and elaborate the rationale and the draft terms of reference for a potential IMG in this area, bearing in mind any potential duplications with the existing mechanisms. On the basis of this, the EMG will make a decision on whether to establish the IMG.

2. The senior officials also agree on the need for a stock take of financing/funding for environmental issues in the UN system. In light of other relevant processes currently under way, the senior officials agree to revisit this issue at their next meeting.

8. *Environment Management Group Work Plan for 2014-2015*

25. The technical segment considered the updated work plan for 2014-2015, subject to yearly approval by the SOM. The plan is organized according to expected accomplishments and milestones over a 24 month period as they pertain to programmatic, management and operational issues, as well as to overall cooperation, as presented in document EMG/SOM.19/03.

26. The work plan remains un-costed as there is no common budget for EMG activities. It is recommended that the work plan be implemented through in-kind contributions, subject to the availability of resources. The in-kind contributions will be budgeted, programmed and reported on by each member and the UNEP secretariat within their own administrative processes. The work plan will be adjusted in accordance with the decisions taken by senior officials at their 19th meeting.

27. In developing its future work plan the technical segment suggested a strategic consideration by the EMG on how the Group could best support the post 2015 agenda, how the EMG portfolio could be strengthened, how new issues requiring a cross agency approach could be brought in and how the EMG could better fit into the overall constellation of coordinating bodies.

28. The technical segment proposed the following action to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Action VIII: Approval of the work plan for EMG for the period 2014 – 2015

The senior officials approve the work plan for EMG for the period 2014 – 2015 based on the understanding that the EMG secretariat will revise the plan presented in document EMG/SOM.19/04 to ensure that the plan fully reflects the actions agreed by the 19th senior officials meeting of the EMG. The work plan will be implemented on the basis of in-kind contributions from members and is subject to availability of resources.

9. *Process for reporting to the UN Environment Assembly of UNEP*

29. The technical segment proposed the following action to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Action IX: Reporting to the UN Environment Assembly of UNEP

The senior officials welcome the opportunity to inform the UN Environment Assembly of UNEP and the UN General Assembly, of its work. The meeting appreciates the guidance received from the UNEP governing body and requests the Chair to continue the practice of circulating a draft of the report by EMG on its work to members of the Group for their comments, and submit the final report to the forthcoming UN Environment Assembly of UNEP.

10. *Date and Venue of the next Senior Official's Meeting*

30. It was suggested that a convenient time and venue for the next Senior Official's Meeting would be in connection with the opening of the 69th General Assembly in New York in September 2014.

31. The technical segment proposed the following action to the senior officials segment:

Suggested Action X: Date and venue of the next senior officials meeting

The senior officials request the EMG secretariat to circulate to the members of the EMG the date and venues for the 20th meeting of the senior officials, and consult with members on its agenda.

11. *Any other business*

32. No other business was discussed.

B. The Senior Officials Segment

1. *Opening*

33. In his introductory remarks, Mr. Achim Steiner described the EMG as an issue-based, result-focused interagency body that has produced ground-breaking work implementing its time bound agenda.

34. Mr. Wu Hongbo (USG-DESA) provided an overview of the latest developments with regards to the follow up of the Rio+20 Conference and the issues of relevance to the EMG as the post 2015 agenda takes shape. Referring to the Implementation Matrix of Rio+20 Outcomes issued by the UN Secretary-General, Mr. Hongbo urged members to respond either as individual organizations or as one through the EMG. He further encouraged the EMG members to consider ways in which the EMG could support the delivery of strategic policy guidance, the translation of the Rio+20 vision into action and strengthening the science-policy interface. The senior officials then started their consideration of the meeting's agenda.

2. *Adoption of the recommendations from the technical segment of the meeting on actions related to the on-going work of the Environment Management Group*

35. The senior officials were briefed by the co-chairs of the technical segment on the outcomes of the preceding segment, including a description of the recommended actions for approval of the senior officials as well as an overview of the common views expressed in discussions. The suggested actions were then reviewed and adopted one by one by the senior officials. The senior officials congratulated the technical segment participants on their efficient work and concise recommendations.

3. *Strategic directions for future work of the EMG*

36. The senior officials were briefed on the discussions in the technical segment on a possible contribution by the EMG to a UN system-wide approach to the sound management of chemicals and the establishment of an Issue Management Group for that purpose. The senior officials agreed to delay their decision on establishing an IMG until further consultation with the IOMC members to seek their views on the TOR of the potential IMG. These views will be communicated by the EMG Chair to the EMG members.

37. Regarding the issue of environmental funding/financing, the senior officials took note of the on-going stocktaking of financing for sustainable development being carried out by the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing. The senior

officials agreed to await the outcome of the stocktaking by the Expert Group and revisit the issue of a stocktake of environmental funding/financing at their next meeting.

38. A summary of other views expressed by the participants in the senior officials meeting includes:

- a) The EMG possesses broad environmental expertise which benefits a large number of organizations. The issue-based and time-bound nature of the group's work is an advantage as it allows a flexible response to emerging issues in need of coordinated response.
- b) The EMG, as a UN system-wide coordination body on environment, holds significant potential and relevance in relation to the follow-up process of Rio+20, supporting the post 2015 agenda and bringing forward the environmental aspects of sustainability. In the Matrix of Implementation developed by the UN Secretary General, the EMG is associated with e.g. green economy, biodiversity, mainstreaming environmental sustainability, early warning systems and sharing of climate change and weather information. These topics should be followed up and updates on progress may be provided to the UNDESA;
- c) An important role for the EMG should be to ensure the involvement of the MEAs in the development and implementation of the post 2015 agenda. The EMG could also play a significant role in mainstreaming sustainable development into all aspects of the UN system. Further, the EMG should work to support the High Level Political Forum on sustainable development by delivering guidance for strategic policy making and promoting a stronger science-policy interface;
- d) While the outcome of Rio+20 was identified as a guide for operational direction, EMG members should take the opportunity to consider how to identify new environmental issues and topics that would benefit from a coordinated approach. The challenge is to drive a strategic agenda in time and in line with the progress of the sustainable development framework. The activities of the group should be discussed from a strategic and contextual perspective, identifying ways to strengthen the EMG portfolio and crystallise its value added for interagency work on the post 2015 agenda. A mechanism is needed for the collective and timely identification of topics and to help the EMG become more outward looking and respond to needs as they arise. To that end, a paper to catalyse reflection and to inform a structured discussion on strategic issues was considered useful;
- e) The relevance of considering country perspectives and needs when addressing new issues by the EMG was highlighted, recalling that governments are the ultimate beneficiaries of the actions taken. More focus should be put on systematic up-scaling of initiatives promoting bottom-up - rather than top-down approaches.

4. Any other business

39. The International Labour Organization (ILO) offered a brief report from the International Labour Conference held in June 2013, highlighting steps taken to facilitate the transition to green economy.

Annex 1

Provisional agenda and proposed organization of work

A. Provisional agenda for the preparatory technical segment of the 19th senior officials' meeting of the Environment Management Group

1. The provisional agenda for the preparatory technical segment of the 19th senior officials meeting is as follows:

1. Opening remarks by the Co-Chairs
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Considerations of ongoing work and recommendations to the senior officials segment:
 - (a) The IMG on Biodiversity;
 - (b) The IMG on Lands;
 - (c) The IMG on Green Economy;
 - (d) Consultations on Environmental and Social Sustainability in the United Nations system;
 - (e) The IMG on Environmental Sustainability Management in the United Nations system;
 - (f) Progress on Peer-Reviewing of environmental management profiles of United Nations organizations.
4. Addressing new issues:
 - (a) A contribution by the EMG on the sound management of chemicals
 - (b) Taking stock of financing for the international cooperation on environmental matters
5. Environment Management Group work plan for 2014–2015
6. Process for reporting to the UN Environment Assembly of UNEP
7. Date and venue of the next senior officials' meeting
8. Any other business

B. Provisional agenda for the senior officials' segment of the 19th senior officials' meeting of the Environment Management Group

2. The provisional agenda for the 19th senior officials segment is as follows:

1. Opening remarks by the Co-Chairs:

Ms. Rebeca Grynspan, Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Program and Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme and Chair of the Environment Management Group.

Remarks by Mr. Wu Hongbo Under-Secretary-General for UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) on recent developments of the post Rio+20 processes.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Adoption of the recommendations from the technical segment of the meeting on actions related to the ongoing work of the Environment Management Group.
4. Strategic directions for future work of the EMG including:
 - (a) A contribution by the EMG on the sound management of chemicals
 - (b) Taking stock of financing for the international cooperation on environmental matters
5. Any other business.

Annex 2

List of participants

	Organization	Name and function
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4.	FAO	Mr. Alemneh Dejene , Senior Natural Resources Officer
5.	The GEF	Mr. André Laperrière , Deputy CEO and chairperson
6.	ICAO	Ms. Jane Hupe , Chief, Environment Branch, Air Transport Bureau
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9.	IMO	Mr. Fredrik Haag , Technical Officer

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Mr. Gary Fowlie, Head of the Liaison Office to the UN in NY
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Mr. Mahendra Joshi, Senior Programme Officer
Mr. Mikko Kurppa, Associate Expert

19. **UNHCR** **Mr. Daniel Alkhal**, Senior Policy Advisor
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