

23rd Senior Officials' Meeting of the Environment Management Group Senior Segment, 20 September 2017, (09.00 -12.30. NY time) UN HQ GA Building, Conference Room F (CR-F) 1st basement.	EMG/SOM.23/2b/2017 04 September 2017 Distribution: EMG Members
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*The **Senior Officials** are expected to formally endorse the report of the technical segment without further discussion, including any decisions contained therein, unless there is a specific request for discussion by a participant. The senior segment will focus on providing strategic directions for the future work of the Environment Management Group in the context of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.*

Provisional agenda for the Senior Officials segment of the 23rd Senior Officials' Meeting of the Environment Management Group

20 September 2017

1. Opening remarks by the Co-Chairs
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Consideration and adoption of the recommendations from the technical segment of the meeting on actions related to the ongoing and future work of the Environment Management Group
4. Strategic discussion on key environmental issues warranting a UN system-wide response and directions for the future work of the EMG:
 - a) *The Secretary-General's vision on the repositioning of the UN development system to deliver on the 2030 Agenda. How can the EMG support UN country-level assistance to Member States in integrating and implementing the 2030 Agenda?*
 - b) *Revitalizing the biodiversity agenda in the context of SDGs implementation and climate change. Expectations from the UN system followed by an update on the recent progress on the Climate Agenda and the engagement of the UN system in this regard.*
 - c) *"Towards a Pollution-Free Planet"- contribution of the UN system to third session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA III).*
 - d) *Update on measures for enhancing sustainability of internal UN operations - needs and expectations from the UN agencies*
5. Any other business
6. Closure of the meeting

Proposed organization of work of the Senior Segment on Wednesday, 20 September

Time (NY)	No.	Agenda Item	Associated Document	Presentation by
9:00-9:25	Agenda item 1	Opening remarks by the co-chairs		Co-Chairs Tour de table of the new Senior Officials
9.25-9.30	Agenda item 2	Adoption of the agenda	EMG/SOM.23/2b	
9:30-10:15	Agenda item 3	Consideration and adoption of the recommendations from the technical segment of the meeting on actions related to the ongoing work of the Environment Management Group	<i>Table of decisions prepared by the technical segment</i>	EMG Secretariat
10.15-12.20	Agenda item 4	Strategic directions for the future work of the EMG on key environmental issues warranting a UN system-wide response and directions for the future work of the EMG	EMG/SOM.23/5	Chair and Senior Officials
12:20-12.30	Agenda item 5	Any other business		
12:30		Closure of the Senior Officials' Meeting		