

Rio+20, from outcome to implementation: ***The United Nations Environment Assembly***

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KEY MILESTONES IN ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE

UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), June 2012

- ❑ **Paragraph 88** on strengthening and upgrading UNEP as the **leading global environmental authority** that:

- 1) Have secure, stable, adequate & increased financial resources
- 2) Coordinate environmental activities in UN system
- 3) Promote strong science-policy interface
- 4) Disseminate evidence-based environmental information
- 5) Provide capacity-building & facilitate access to technology
- 6) Consolidate HQ functions & strengthen regional presence
- 7) Ensure participation of all relevant stakeholders

First Universal Session of UNEP Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum, February 2013

- ❑ Decision 27/2 on institutional arrangements – new governance structure for UNEP
- ❑ 58-membership Governing Council changed to “**United Nations Environment Assembly of UNEP**” (UNEA) by the General Assembly (March 2013)

UNEP's NEW GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA)

- Universal membership
- Meets biennially starting in 2014
- Concludes with a 2-day high level segment

Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR)

- Missions accredited to UNEP

Other Meetings

- Regular quarterly meetings, ad-hoc meetings, thematic debates and briefings

Open-ended Meeting

- Meets in even years for 5 days

Subcommittee Meeting

- Meets annually for five days

UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT ASSEMBLY OF UNEP (UNEA)

- ❑ **Decision 27/2, Para 5 . *UNEA to take strategic decisions and provide political guidance:***
 - (a) Setting the global environmental agenda;
 - (b) Providing overarching policy guidance and defining policy responses to address emerging environmental challenges;
 - (c) Undertaking policy review, dialogue and exchange of experiences;
 - (d) Setting the strategic guidance on the future direction of the United Nations Environment Programme;
 - (e) Organizing a multi-stakeholder dialogue;
 - (f) Fostering partnerships for achieving environmental goals and resources mobilization.
- ❑ **First UNEA to take place from 23-27 June 2014 in Nairobi**
- ❑ **Governed by Rules of Procedure (to be amended)**

COMMITTEE OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES (CPR)

- ❑ **Decision 27/2, Para 9. *CPR is the subsidiary inter-sessional body of the UNEP governing body***
 - (a) Contribute to the preparation of the agenda of its governing body
 - (b) Provide advice to its governing body on policy matters;
 - (c) Prepare decisions for adoption by its governing body and oversee their implementation;
 - (d) Convene thematic and/or programmatic debates;
 - (e) Promote effective ways and means to facilitate participation of the non-resident members of the Committee, particularly from developing countries
 - (f) Perform any other functions delegated to it by its governing body;



PROPOSED UNEA STRUCTURE

	Morning (10am – 1pm)	Afternoon (3-6 pm)
23 June	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening of the UNEA 2. Organisation of work: sessional committees including CoW, drafting group and Friends of the President 3. Amendments to the Rules of procedures 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. COW: Policy issues; review of draft decisions 2. Amendments to the Rules of procedures
24 June	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. COW: Policy issues; review of draft decisions 2. Amendments to the Rules of procedures 3. Stakeholder events (tbc) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. COW: Policy issues; review of draft decisions 2. Amendments to the Rules of procedures 3. Stakeholder events (tbc)
25 June	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. COW: Policy issues; review of draft decisions 2. Amendments to the Rules of procedures 3. Multistakeholder dialogue (tbc) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report back COW 2. Report back amendments to the Rules of procedures 3. Stakeholder events (tbc)
26 June	High level segment	High level segment
27 June	High level segment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. High level segment 2. Closure of the session

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the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA)

FOR DISCUSSION AT THE UNEA HIGH LEVEL SEGMENT

Progress on Sustainable Development Goals in
of the Post-2015 Development Agenda
Policy Interface: Keeping the Global
t under Review
Illegal Wildlife Trade and Environmental

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g Finance”

