

UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/INF/1 Proposed programme of work and list of documents for the Third meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group on Marine Litter and Microplastics
18-22 November 2019

	Monday 18 November 2019	Tuesday 19 November 2019	Wednesday 20 November 2019	Thursday 21 November 2019	Friday 22 November 2019
9:00-10:00	Regional Group Meetings	Regional Group Meetings	Regional Group Meetings	Regional Group Meetings	Regional Group Meetings
10:00 – 13:00	<p><u>Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting</u></p> <p><u>Agenda item 2: Organizational matters</u></p> <p>a) Election of officers</p> <p>b) Adoption of the agenda</p> <p>c) Organization of work</p> <p><u>Agenda item 3: Update on the work and options of the ad hoc open-ended expert group</u></p> <p><u>Agenda item 4: General statements</u></p>	<p><u>Agenda item 6 (continued):</u></p> <p>- Consideration of subparagraphs 7 (a), (b) and (d), 2 (b) in resolution UNEP/EA.4/Res.6 in possible breakout groups</p>	<p><u>Agenda item 6 (continued):</u></p> <p>- Consideration of subparagraphs 7 (a), (b) and (d), 2 (b) in resolution UNEP/EA.4/Res.6 in possible breakout groups</p>	<p><u>Agenda item 6 (continued):</u></p> <p>- <i>Report back to plenary from the facilitators.</i></p> <p>- <i>Discussions in plenary on subject matters under agenda item 6.</i></p>	<p><u>Agenda item 7: Other matters</u></p> <p><u>Agenda item 8: Consideration of agreed conclusions and recommendations</u></p>
13.00 – 15.00	LUNCH				
15:00 – 18:00	<p><u>Agenda item 5: Mapping of all United Nations agencies, programmes, initiatives and expertise with relevance for the issue of marine litter, including plastic litter and microplastics</u></p> <p><u>Agenda item 6: Introduction to activities included in the mandate of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group</u></p> <p>a) Stocktaking (7a, UNEA/EA.4/Res.6)¹;</p> <p>b) Financial mechanisms (7b);</p> <p>c) Technology resources (7b);</p> <p>d) Methodology for assessment of effectiveness (7d);</p> <p>e) Scientific Advisory Committee (2b).</p>	<p><u>Agenda item 6 (continued):</u></p> <p>- Consideration of subparagraphs 7 (a), (b) and (d), 2 (b) in resolution UNEP/EA.4/Res.6 in possible breakout groups</p>	<p><u>Agenda item 6 (continued):</u></p> <p>- Consideration of subparagraphs 7 (a), (b) and (d), 2 (b) in resolution UNEP/EA.4/Res.6 in possible breakout groups</p>	<p><u>Agenda item 6 (continued):</u></p> <p>- <i>Report back to plenary from the facilitators.</i></p> <p>- <i>Discussions in plenary on subject matters under agenda item 6.</i></p>	<p><u>Agenda item 8(continued): Consideration of agreed conclusions and recommendations</u></p> <p><u>Agenda item 9: Closing of the meeting</u></p>

¹ UNEA/EA.4/Res.6, Marine plastic litter and microplastics, Fourth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly, available at <http://wedocs.unep.org/bitstream/handle/20.500.11822/28471/English.pdf?sequence=3&isAllowed=y>

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Agenda Item	Documents
Agenda item 1: Opening of the session	-
Agenda item 2: Organization of the meeting.	UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/1 Provisional agenda; UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/1/Add.1 Annotated provisional agenda
Agenda item 3: Update on the work and options of the ad hoc open-ended expert group.	-
Agenda item 4: General statements.	-
Agenda item 5: Mapping of all United Nations agencies, programmes, initiatives and expertise with relevance for the issue of marine litter, including plastic litter and microplastics.	UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/INF/5 Progress on the mapping of all United Nations agencies, programmes, initiatives and other sources of expertise relating to marine litter including plastic litter and microplastics
Agenda item 6: Introduction to activities included in the mandate of the ad hoc open-ended expert group pursuant to United Nations Environment Assembly resolution 4/62 on marine plastic litter and microplastics	UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/2 Approach for stocktaking of existing activities and actions towards long-term elimination of discharges into the oceans, to reduce marine plastic litter and microplastics by relevant contributors; UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/3 Identification of financial resources and mechanisms for supporting countries in addressing marine plastic litter and microplastics; UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/4 Draft approach for Technology and Innovation mapping;

	UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/5 Proposed methodology for analysis of the effectiveness of existing and potential response options and activities in contributing towards long-term elimination of discharge of marine plastic litter and microplastics into the oceans; UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/INF/6 Progress on the Assessment
Agenda item 7: Other matters	-
Agenda item 8: Agreed conclusions and recommendations towards the fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly.	-
Information Documents	
	UNEP/AHEG/2019/3/INF/2 Compilation of UNEA resolutions on marine litter and microplastics
	UNEP/ AHEG/2019/3/INF/3 Approach for the development of a methodology to analyse the effectiveness of existing and potential response options and activities on marine litter and microplastics at all levels to determine the contribution in solving the global problem
	UNEP/ AHEG/2018/1/INF/3 Combating marine plastic litter and microplastics: An assessment of the effectiveness of relevant international, regional and sub-regional governance strategies and approaches
	UNEP/ AHEG/2019/3/INF/4 Guidelines for the Monitoring and Assessment of plastics in the ocean
	UNEP/ AHEG/2019/3/INF/7 Progress on the development of a risk assessment
	UNEP/ AHEG/2019/3/INF/8 Guidelines for the development of action plans on marine litter

2 UNEP/EA.4/Res.6. Available at <http://wedocs.unep.org/bitstream/handle/20.500.11822/28471/English.pdf?sequence=3&isAllowed=y>. Relevant subparagraphs: stocktaking – 7 (a); financial mechanisms – 7 (b);

technology resources – 7 (b); methodology for assessment of effectiveness – 7 (d); scientific advisory committee – 2 (b).