

The MEA Information and Knowledge Management Initiative

8th MEA IKM Steering Committee Meeting

AGENDA

20 June 2017

- 14.00 **Opening**
- Welcome address by Ms. Mrema, Director, Law Division, UN Environment (Co-Chair)
 - Key note Address by the Mr. Scanlon, Secretary General of CITES (Co-Chair)
 - Key note Address by Ms. Rojas-Urrego, Secretary General of Ramsar
 - Key note Address by Mr. Martin-Novella, Deputy Executive Secretary, BRS
 - Tour de table by MEAs
 - Tour de table by Donors, Observers and Partners
- 15.15 **Revisiting the broader vision and impact of the MEA KM Initiative: What are the Elements of Inter-operability at the core of the Initiative and its TORs**
Format: Knowledge Cafe
- Examples
 - The value of standards – and principles
 - The leverage (of MEA KM)
- _____ *Coffee Break* _____
- 16.30 **Report by the KM Team and Expected Outcomes of the 8th MEA IKM SC Meeting**
- *Progress Report* - new features and developments (IKM Team)
 - *Introduction of issues of discussions and areas of work*
- 18.00 **Day's Closing Remarks by Co-chairs followed by Group Photo Cocktail and Dinner**

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Topics: Interoperability, (Auto)tagging, Piloting UN Standards, Outreach and E-learning

- 09.00 **Interoperability – extending the ways of knowledge exchange**
- Introductory Presentation
 - Achievements this year
 - Update on the tracking mechanism and information exchange with non-MEA partners
 - Alternative standard on data exchange
 - Discussion

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09.20 **The Semantic Standard of MEA KM: LEO/Tagging/Auto-tagging**

- Status of LEO
- Evolution of LEO – Management and Governance
- Auto-tagging as important requisite to human Tagging:
- Context: other important Thesauri
- Guidelines on Tagging

09.40 **E-learning (A vehicle for outreach?)**

- Status of E-learning
- Co-using the Moodle Platform
- UNITAR a Partner to the MEA KM Initiative in addition to LRI
- Discussion

_____ *Coffee Break* _____

10.30 **Break out Session (discussion in two, maximum three groups)**

- MEAs are invited to split in 2-3 groups with experts/partners supporting discussions –

12.30 **Initial feedback from group sessions**

14.15 **Outreach - Rethinking the Logic of the InforMEA Portal**

- How can new functions and features be meaningfully integrated?
- New Logic and Interface

14.45 **The UN- Standard (UNHLCM) – Akoma Ntoso: A pioneering opportunity?**

- Presentation
- Is MEA KM / InforMEA well placed for testing the new standards
- What are the opportunities and challenges/impacts on workflow, etc
- Discussion

_____ *Coffee Break* _____

15.30 **Break out Session (formulating draft bullets for recommendations in groups)**

- MEAs are invited to split in 2-3 groups with experts/partners supporting discussions –

17.00 **Summary of Outcomes**

- Short presentation of the main bullets
- Preview at next day's agenda

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Topics: Goals and MEAs (SDGs, Aichi and beyond); Making national reports and voluntary information more easily accessible; UN Environment Projects relevant to MEA KM Initiative; A new interface and wire frame for the InforMEA Platform

09.00 **What's next for the new Goals Section on InforMEA**

- How was this section developed?
- What are the next steps and applications?
- Discussion

09.30 **Re-usability of reported/voluntarily shared information - closing the Gaps**

- Presentations on latest development of reporting tools by MEAs
- How can I search reports right now in InforMEA?
- The Project Concept InforMEA Component V – Collective Intelligence from Reports
 - What are the scenarios of re-use of reports to be supported?
 - What is missing now

10.00 **Outreach: New and classical approaches**

What are the key priorities and the likely impact of activities?

_____ *Coffee Break* _____

11.00 **Break out Session (discussion in groups)**

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12.30 **Initial feedback from group sessions**

14.30 **Projects of relevance to the Initiative – How can InforMEA add value?**

- BD-Synergies Project*
- NBSAP Forum*
- MEA ACP Project*
- BD-project in Pan-Europe*
- IRIS-UNEP Live (tbc)*
- DART (Synergies Project)*

This Session will again be organized as Knowledge Cafe (Short introductions in plenary and then more interaction between project managers/proponents and participants)

_____ *Coffee Break* _____

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15.30 **Break out Session (formulating draft bullets for recommendations in groups)**

- *Group discussions with project managers and experts for MEAs on respective common ground between projects*

17.00 **Discussion and Summary of the Day**

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Topics of the Day: Formulation of Outcomes, Outreach Opportunities, Feedback

09.30 **Formulation of Outcomes, Calendar of Outreach Opportunities, Feedback**

- Revisiting of outcomes in bullet form
- Important events for outreach and promotion of InforMEA
- Round of Feedback

12.30 **Closing of the Meeting followed by Joint Lunch**