



# Update on the preparations for the Sixth United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-6)

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# What is UNEA?

- World's highest decision-making body on the environment
- Meets every 2 years in Nairobi to set priorities for global environmental policies and develop international environmental law
- 2 important categories of tools: resolutions and ministerial declarations

# Implementation of UNEA-5 resolutions

- 14 resolutions adopted – including on:
  - Plastic pollution
  - Nature-based solutions
  - Science-policy panel on chemicals, waste and pollution
  - Environmental aspects of minerals and metals management



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# Steps towards UNEA-6

2023

2024

Definition of the EU priorities and outreach

February  
Theme definition

“Effective, inclusive and sustainable multilateral actions to tackle climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution”

July  
1<sup>st</sup> draft of the Ministerial Declaration

November  
UNEP Annual Subcommittee meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives

26/02 – 01/03  
UNEA-6



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# EU priority setting

## 2 caveats:

- These are not draft resolutions – but elements that will serve as a basis for outreach towards non-EU UNEP Member States
- These have not yet been approved

- Enhancing circular economy (CE) and sustainable consumption and production (SCP)
- Promoting action on the water-climate-ecosystems-food-energy (WEFE) nexus
- Developing a global agenda for ocean protection
- Promoting and setting the ground for further action at UNGA on the new framework on chemicals and waste
- Addressing forest conservation, restoration and sustainable use of forests



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# EU priority setting

- Solar radiation modification (SMR)
- Addressing the need to strengthen international environmental governance and UNEA's and UNEP's key role in implementation of the environmental dimension the 2030 Agenda
- Taking stock of relevant 2022-2023 global milestones
- Promoting synergies among the MEAs
- Raising awareness, mobilising the international community, and strengthening the implementation of existing legal tools
- Triple planetary crisis and security
- Promote the active and meaningful engagement of all relevant stakeholders in the work of the UNEA-6



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# Civil society participation to UNEA-6



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