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**NOTE TO THE MEMBERS OF THE AMBIENT AIR QUALITY EXPERT GROUP
(E02790)**

**AGENDA OF THE MEETING RELATING TO THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AMBIENT AIR QUALITY DIRECTIVES**

Date: 22 April 2021

Venue: via video-conference (Webex)

from Centre Borschette (Room 1B), Rue Froissart 36, B-1040 Brussels, Belgium

Ambient Air Quality

22 April 2021, 9:00 – 17:00

EU Clean Air policy & implementation, incl. updates on policy developments and implementation, and inter-institutional processes.

Air quality – Revision of EU rules, incl. updates on the strengthening of air quality monitoring, modelling and air quality plans.

Air quality monitoring, modelling and assessment, incl. updates from AQUILA and FAIRMODE, and updates on recent air quality assessments.

Air quality plans, programmes and measures, incl. examples from Member States, feedback on the application of penalties provisions, and a *tour de table* on ozone.

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0. Introduction (9:00)

- 0.1. Welcome / Tour de Table
- 0.2. Adoption of the agenda
- 0.3. Adoption of the minutes of the meeting of 7 October 2020 – DOC 1
- 0.4. Update on actions agreed at the meeting of 7 October 2020

1. EU Clean Air policy & implementation (09:45)

- 1.1. Updates on Clean Air policy and other EU level processes (COM)
- 1.2. EU policy on air quality: Implementation of selected EU legislation (EPRS) – DOC 2¹
- 1.3. Update on work towards a Zero Pollution Action Plan (COM)
- 1.4. Follow-up of the Clean Air Dialogue with Italy (IT)
- 1.5. Clean Air Dialogue with the Netherlands (NL, tbc)
- 1.6. Clean Air Forum 2021 (COM, ES)

Coffee Break (11:00-11:30)

2. Air quality – Revision of EU rules (11:30)

- 2.1. Update on Air quality guidelines (WHO)
- 2.2. Inception Impact Assessment for the revision of the AAQ Directives (COM) – DOC 3
- 2.3. Strengthening of air quality monitoring, modelling and plans (COM)

Lunch break (12:30-14:00)

3. Air quality monitoring, modelling and assessment (14:00)

- 3.1. Feedback from the workshop of 20 April 2021 (COM)
- 3.2. Update on AQUILA (JRC)
- 3.3. Update on FAIRMODE (JRC)
- 3.4. Update on EEA work and publications (EEA)

¹ [https://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/STUD/2021/654216/EPRS_STU\(2021\)654216_EN.pdf](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/STUD/2021/654216/EPRS_STU(2021)654216_EN.pdf)

Coffee break (15:00-15:30)

4. Air quality plans, programmes and measures (15:30)

4.1. Feedback on penalties provisions (COM)

4.2. *Tour de table* on ozone (MS)

- Tour de table on the challenges in addressing ozone and the measures to reduce concentrations, incl. those that would benefit from more cross-border cooperation:

(a) Which measures to reduce ozone exceedances have been successful /or/ unsuccessful? Why?

(b) What specific challenges (including remaining knowledge gaps) do you see in addressing ozone exceedances?

(c) Do you see scope for additional cross-border cooperation to reduce ozone pollution, and in particular mitigate ozone precursor emissions?

5. A.O.B (16:45)

6. Conclusions

End of meeting (17:00)

***Note:** The next meeting of this Expert Group focussed on the implementation of the Ambient Air Quality Directives is planned for **October 2021** (to be confirmed).*