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**ENV.C.3 – Clean Air**

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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:** 19 October 2021

**Venue:** via video-conference (Webex)  
from Centre Borschette (Room 2B), Rue Froissart 36, B-1040 Brussels, Belgium

**Ambient Air Quality**

**19 October 2021, 9:00 – 17:00**

- **EU Clean Air policy & implementation**, incl. updates on policy developments and implementation, and on inter-institutional processes.
- **Air quality – Revision of EU rules**, incl. update on the three policy areas covered by the revision and the related impact assessment, and on the public consultation.
- **Air quality monitoring, modelling and assessment**, incl. updates from AQUILA and FAIRMODE, and updates on recent air quality reporting and assessments.
- **Air quality plans, programmes and measures**, incl. examples of air quality measures in Member States.

## **19 October 2021**

### **0. Introduction (9:30)**

- 0.1. Welcome / Tour de Table
- 0.2. Adoption of the agenda
- 0.3. Adoption of the minutes of the meeting of 22 April 2021 – DOC 1
- 0.4. Update on actions agreed at the meeting of 22 April 2021

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

*incl. updates on policy developments and implementation, and on inter-institutional processes.*

- 1.1. Updates on Clean Air policy and other EU level processes (COM: ENV)
- 1.2. WHO Air Quality Guidelines 2021 (WHO) – DOC 2<sup>1</sup>
- 1.3. Updates on Standardisation (COM: ENV)
- 1.4. Clean Air Forum 2021 (COM, ES)

### **Coffee Break (10:45-11:15)**

### **2. Air quality monitoring, modelling, and assessment & plans and programmes (11:30)**

*incl. updates from AQUILA and FAIRMODE, updates on recent air quality reporting and assessments, and examples of air quality measures in Member States.*

- 2.1. Update on AQUILA (COM: JRC)
- 2.2. Update on FAIRMODE (COM: JRC)
- 2.3. Air Quality Status Briefing 2021 (EEA, tbc)
- 2.4. Update on submission of air quality data for 2020 (EEA, tbc)

### **Lunch break (12:30-14:00)**

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<sup>1</sup> DOC 2 – World Health Organization. (2021). WHO global air quality guidelines: particulate matter (PM2.5 and PM10), ozone, nitrogen dioxide, sulfur dioxide and carbon monoxide. World Health Organization. <https://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/345329>. License: CC BY-NC-SA 3.0 IGO

### **3. Air quality – Revision of EU rules (14:00)**

*incl. update on the three policy areas covered by the revision and the related impact assessment, and on the public consultation.*

3.1. Impact assessment, stakeholder consultation, timeline – DOC 3<sup>2</sup>

3.2. Policy Area 1 – closer alignment of the EU air quality standards with scientific knowledge including the latest recommendations of the World Health Organization

*Tour de Table – we invite all Member States to take the floor to express initial views on possible policy interventions to be included in the impact assessment for this area*

### **Coffee break (15:00-15:30)**

3.3. Policy Area 2 – Improving the air quality legislative framework, including provisions on penalties and public information

*Tour de Table – we invite all Member States to take the floor to express initial views on possible policy interventions to be included in the impact assessment for this area*

3.4. Policy Area 3 – Strengthening of air quality monitoring, modelling and plans

*Tour de Table – we invite all Member States to take the floor to express initial views on possible policy interventions to be included in the impact assessment for this area*

### **4. A.O.B (16:45)**

### **5. Conclusions**

### **End of meeting (17:00)**

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**Note:** The next meeting of this Expert Group focussed on the implementation of the Ambient Air Quality Directives is planned for **April 2022** (to be confirmed).

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<sup>2</sup> DOC 3 – Slide set on ‘Air Quality: Revision of EU Rules’ as presented at Stakeholder Meeting. <https://ec.europa.eu/environment/air/quality/documents/20210923%20-%20AAQ%20Revision%20-%20Stakeholder%20Meeting%20-%20Impact%20Assessment.pdf>