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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:** 07 October 2020

**Venue:** via video-conference (Webex)

from Centre Borschette (Room 0B), Rue Froissart 36, B-1040 Brussels, Belgium

# **Ambient Air Quality 7 October 2020, 9:00 – 17:00**

- EU Clean Air policy & implementation, incl. updates on policy developments and implementation, and inter-institutional processes.
- Follow-up to the Fitness Check of the Ambient Air Quality Directives, incl. updates on the strengthening of air quality monitoring, modelling and air quality air plans.
- **Reporting, information & air quality assessments**, incl. updates on recent air quality assessments, and the submission of air quality data for 2019.
- Air quality monitoring, modelling and air quality plans, incl. updates from AQUILA and FAIRMODE and, if possible, presentations of selected Member States activities.

#### 7 October 2020 (morning session)

#### **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 13 March 2020 <u>DOC 1</u>
- 0.4. Update on actions agreed at the meeting of 13 March 2020

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

- 1.1. Updates on Clean Air policy and other EU level processes, including follow-up to Fitness Check of the Ambient Air Quality Directives (COM)
- 1.2. EEA Report 'Healthy Environment, Healthy Lives' (EEA)  $\underline{DOC 2}^1$
- 1.3. Update on work towards a Zero Pollution Action Plan (COM)
- 1.4. Cohesion policy invests in clean air (COM/REGIO)  $\underline{DOC \ 3}^2$
- 1.5. Clean Air Days in Member States (COM based on MS replies) DOC 4

#### Coffee Break (11:00-11:30)

#### 2. Reporting, information & air quality assessments (11:30)

- 2.1. EEA Report 'Air Quality in Europe 2020 Report' (EEA)
- 2.2. Update on links air quality and Covid-19 (COM and EEA)
- 2.3. Submission of air quality data for 2019 (EEA)<sup>3</sup>

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

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Available at: https://www.eea.europa.eu/publications/healthy-environment-healthy-lives/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See: https://cohesiondata.ec.europa.eu/stories/s/Tracking-cohesion-policy-air-quality-investments/7ddu-4fki

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See: https://aqportal.discomap.eea.europa.eu/products/submission-monitoring/data-monitor-all-except-e2a/

## 7 October 2020 (afternoon session)

- 3. Air quality monitoring, modelling and plans (14:00)
  - 3.1. Summary of Air Quality Assessment Workshop of 6 October 2020 (COM)
  - 3.2. Update on Assessing the Spatial Representativeness of Sampling Points (Consultants)
  - 3.3. Discussion about exceedance situation indicators (Tour de Table)

Please offer your reflections on the below four questions related to implementation of specific requirements of Implementing Decision 2011/850/EU Annex II regarding the 'Exceedance Situation':

- (a) How does your Member State estimate (and report) the surface area where the level was above the environmental objective?
- (b) How does your Member State estimate (and report) the length of road where the level was above the environmental objective?
- (c) How does your Member State estimate (and report) the total resident population in the exceedance area?
- (d) How does your Member State estimate (and report) the ecosystem/vegetation area exposed above the environmental objective?

#### Coffee break (15:30-16:00)

Air quality monitoring, modelling and plans (continued, 16:00)

- 3.4. Update on AQUILA (COM)
- 3.5. Update on FAIRMODE (COM)
- 3.6. Update on Copernicus Atmospheric Monitoring Service (CAMS)
- 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 **2 March 2021** (to be confirmed).