



Meeting agenda

2-3 February 2021 virtual meeting	Barents Euro-Arctic Council Working Group on Environment 58th meeting
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Tuesday 2 February 2021

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10:45-11:00	Arrival to the meeting, virtual “coffee” available, social gathering
11:00-11:25	Welcome and introductions Henna Haapala <i>WGE Chair</i>
11:25-11:30	Adoption of the Minutes of the WGE meeting, 7-8 October, 2020
11:30-11:40	Report from the IBS and introduction of the new Head of the IBS <i>Markus Karlsen, Roman Gokkoev</i>
11:40-12:00	Presentation of the EU-funded Action on Black Carbon in the Arctic (EUA-BCA) https://eua-bca.amap.no/ <i>Stefan Åström</i> <i>EUA-BCA Project</i>
12:00-12:10	Break (10 min)
12:10-13:15	MAIN THEME OF THE DAY 1: WGE climate activities and input to the Barents Action Plan on Climate Change - Update of the Barents Action Plan on Climate Change, status of the work after the CSO meeting in December 9, 2020 <i>Henna Haapala</i> <i>WGE Chair</i> - Presentation of the draft WGE input to the Barents Action Plan on Climate Change <i>Aino Lipsanen</i> <i>Finland’s representative to the WGE</i> - Conference on Climate Smart Barents Region <i>Anne Berteig, Norway’s representative to the WGE</i> - Discussion - Next steps
13:15 - 13:30	Conclusions for the day <i>WGE Chair</i>



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11:00-11:15	Welcome and introductions <i>Henna Haapala</i> <i>WGE Chair</i>
11:15-11:50	MAIN THEME OF THE DAY 2: Initiative for Barents biodiversity protection commitments - Presentation of the Finland’s initiative <i>Aino Lipsanen, Finland’s representative to the WGE</i> - Discussion - Next steps
11:50-12:00	Break (10 min)
12:00-12:20	Report from the Subgroup on Nature and Water <i>Anna Kuhmonen</i> <i>SNW Chair</i> <i>Discussion</i>
12:20-12:50	Report from the Subgroup on Hot Spots Exclusion <i>Helena Dahlbo</i> <i>SHE Co-Chair</i> Information on the launch of the evaluation <i>Henrik Forsström</i> <i>NEFCO</i> <i>Discussion</i>
12:50-13:00	Conclusions, summary of activities during spring 2021 and next meeting <i>WGE Chair</i>