

Meeting of the Working Group on Environment

24. May, Storforsen, Norrbotten, Sweden

13.00-18.00

An excursion is held before the WGE-meeting 8.30-11.30. Lunch is served at Storforsen hotel 11.45-12.50. Please see details in the program,

Detailed preliminary agenda

13.00	<p>1. Welcome and opening of the meeting (Elin Kronqvist, WGE-chair)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adoption of the agenda
13.05	<p>2. Information from the Chair of BEAC (Eva Ekmeahag, Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Information about the Swedish Chairmanship of BEAC 2017-19 - Report from the CSO - Barents 25th anniversary celebrations
13.15	<p>3. Presentation of current environmental initiatives in Norrbotten (Ellinor Bomark, County Administrative Board of Norrbotten)</p>
13.35	<p>4. Presentation of a report on traditional knowledge for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, title tbc. (Laila Öberg Ben Ammer, Sami parliament)</p>
14.10	<p>5. Subgroups on Nature protection and water issues (NPS and SWI) (Chair Mats-Rune Bergström and members of the subgroups)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation of the work programme for NPS/SWI and planned activities under the Swedish chairmanship - Adoption of the work programme by WGE - Report on the work on the strategy for protection of intact forests <p>Document: Draft Work Program for NPS/SWI 2018-19</p>
15.00	Coffee break
15.15	<p>6. Regional working group on Environment (RWGE) (Chair Bente Christiansen)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report from the work of the RWGE, <i>tbc.</i>
15.30	<p>7. Subgroup on Hot Spots Exclusion (SHE) (Co-chairs Åke Mikaelsson and Alexander Druchinin)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation of the work programme for SHE and planned activities under the Swedish chairmanship - Adoption of the work programme by WGE <p>Document: Draft Work Program for SHE 2018-19</p>

16.20	8. Climate Change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation of the NCM-supported project on regional climate strategies (Ylva Sardén, Norrbotten, Sweden) - Barents 2050 – discussion on follow-up
16.50	9. Organization of work in WGE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New format for working group mandates - Subgroups under the WGE <p>Documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proposal for new mandate from the WGE chair
17.45	10. Next WGE-meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nov 13th-15th in Västerbotten
18.00	End of meeting

The meeting is followed by an outdoor dinner at Storforsen. Suitable clothes are recommended. Bus trip back to the hotel around 20.30. See program.