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### Committee on Sustainable Energy

#### Expert Group on Resource Management

##### Sixteenth session

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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

##### Adoption of the agenda

### Annotated provisional agenda for the sixteenth session

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10.00 a.m. on Monday 24 March 2025.\*

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4. Powering a sustainable future: Committee on Sustainable Energy's priorities and resource management matters.
5. Guiding principles for equitable development of critical minerals and just energy transition: United Nations Working Group on Transforming the Extractive Industries for Sustainable Development.
6. Empowering global change: International Centres of Excellence on Sustainable Resource Management; case studies and strategic projects.

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7. Total transformation for global governance: Development, deployment and adoption of the United Nations Resource Management System and the United Nations Framework Classification for Resources:
  - (a) Development and implementation of the United Nations Framework Classification for Resources and the United Nations Resource Management System;
  - (b) Minerals;
  - (c) Petroleum;
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  - (f) Injection projects;
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  - (m) Commercial aspects and financial reporting;
  - (n) Women and the protection of human rights in resource management;
  - (o) Sustainable Development Goals Delivery;
  - (p) Youth;
  - (q) Communications, promotion and outreach.
8. Strategizing for impact: Mandate, governance, and work plans for 2024-2025 and 2026-2027.
9. Election of officers.
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## **II. Annotations to the provisional agenda**

### **1. Adoption of the agenda**

In accordance with the rules of procedure of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE), the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2025/1).

Documents for the session will be published on the ECE website<sup>1</sup> as they become available. A detailed timetable will be posted on the website closer to the meeting.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://unece.org/sustainable-energy/events/16th-session-expert-group-resource-management>

## **2. Opening remarks: Revolutionizing global resource governance — Innovating for a sustainable future**

The opening remarks will introduce the crucial transformation from traditional resource management to a global, sustainable, and equitable governance framework. As global demand for critical resources grows, frameworks such as the United Nations Framework Classification for Resources (UNFC) and the United Nations Resource Management System (UNRMS) will be highlighted as key tools for addressing this challenge. The remarks will also emphasize the role of International Centres of Excellence on Sustainable Resource Management (ICE-SRMs) and the United Nations Critical Energy Transition Minerals (CETM) Principles and Actionable Recommendations in shaping a sustainable future.

## **3. Seminar and Short Course**

### **(a) Seminar on the United Nations tools for raw materials management in the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe region and beyond**

The seminar will explore how UNFC is transforming resource management within the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) region and globally. It will emphasize UNFC's role in integrating sustainability into resource classification across diverse sectors. The seminar and workshops will be organized in collaboration with the European Commission and two Horizon Europe projects that support the implementation of UNFC, namely the Geological Service for Europe (GSEU) and the Future Availability of Secondary Raw Materials (FutuRaM). Participants will engage with case studies and practical applications that highlight UNFC's potential to drive innovation, transparency, and responsible resource governance in a rapidly evolving global landscape.

### **(b) Short Course on the United Nations Resource Management System in action: A framework for sustainable resource management**

The short course will provide an in-depth look at how UNRMS functions as a tool for achieving sustainable resource management across multiple sectors. Through real-world examples, participants will learn how UNRMS supports decision-making by balancing economic, environmental, and social dimensions of resource production, use and reuse. Key topics will include its application to policy development, industrial capabilities, capital allocation, and resource classification through opportunity and risk-based long-term planning. Attendees will gain insights into how UNRMS facilitates the efficient use of resources while promoting global sustainability goals, making it a valuable tool for resource and policy managers, industries and capital allocators.

## **4. Powering a sustainable future: Committee on Sustainable Energy's priorities and resource management matters**

This session will focus on the Committee on Sustainable Energy's approach to resource management in the context of a just and equitable global energy transition. The discussion will emphasize the importance of aligning priorities with the UN CETM Principles, which advocate for transparency, justice, and environmental stewardship in critical mineral supply chains. It will explore how these Principles can be implemented through frameworks such as UNFC and UNRMS to contribute to creating robust governance systems for sustainable resource management, ensuring that energy and resource needs are met without compromising the welfare of future generations or the planet's integrity.

A summary of the decisions taken by the Committee and the ECE Executive Committee related to the Expert Group on Resource Management will be provided.

## **5. Guiding principles for equitable development of critical minerals and just energy transition: United Nations Working Group on Transforming the Extractive Industries for Sustainable Development**

The United Nations Working Group on Transforming the Extractive Industries addresses how critical minerals can be developed equitably within a just energy transition framework. The Working Group is co-led by the UN Regional Economic Commissions, the UN Development Programme (UNDP), the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) and the United Nations Trade and Development (UNCTAD). With a focus on the Clean Energy Transition Minerals (CETMs) Principles and Actionable Recommendations developed by the UN Secretary-General's Panel on CETMs, discussions will emphasize transparency, fair distribution of benefits, environmental sustainability, and safeguarding human rights throughout mineral value chains. The session will explore actionable strategies for promoting responsible practices that ensure enhanced secure and affordable resource-based services and the equitable sharing of the economic benefits of critical minerals while supporting environmental and social justice, particularly in resource-rich countries, including developing countries.

The Expert Group will review and discuss the information provided and be invited to make recommendations on how to contribute effectively to the activities of the Working Group and the implementation of the UN CETM Principles.

A joint session with the Group of Experts on Coal Mine Methane and Just Transition will explore additional issues related to ensuring that the shift to a low-carbon economy prioritizes social inclusion, economic resilience, and the protection of vulnerable communities while integrating resource management principles to support renewable energy development and transitioning away from fossil fuels. The session will leverage the combined expertise of the two Groups to facilitate consultations on Just Transition and Sustainable Resource Management. The session will engage representatives from member States who wish to share their transition experiences from the past and the present, highlighting lessons learned and challenges from which other countries could capitalize. It will also be an opportunity to discuss with countries still highly dependent on fossil fuels the transition sectors in which they would be interested in piloting the ECE approach to just transition.

## **6. Empowering global change: International Centres of Excellence on Sustainable Resource Management; case studies and strategic projects**

The International Centres of Excellence on Sustainable Resource Management (ICE-SRMs) are pivotal in advancing sustainable practices across global resource sectors. This session will highlight key case studies and strategic projects where ICE-SRMs have successfully implemented frameworks like UNFC and UNRMS to promote sustainable resource governance. Examples from diverse regions will illustrate how these Centres drive innovation, foster best practices, and build capacity for equitable resource management. Any challenges encountered in implementing UNFC and UNRMS will be shared. The discussion will also focus on the role of ICE-SRMs in aligning critical mineral development with the UN CETM Principles, ensuring transparency, environmental stewardship, and fair benefit-sharing. Strategic projects will showcase their contributions to integrating sustainability into resource extraction and use, providing pathways for other nations to adopt similar models for responsible governance. The Expert Group will discuss the information provided, including the proposed procedures for recognition of an ICE-SRM and the annual report and work plan templates (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2025/5), and be invited to make any recommendations.

## **7. Total transformation for global governance: Development, deployment and adoption of the United Nations Resource Management System and the United Nations Framework Classification for Resources**

The development and deployment of UNRMS and UNFC are key to transforming global resource governance and securing affordable and sustainable resource-based services for all,

aligning with UN CETM principles to ensure transparency, equity, and sustainability. The session will explore how the Technical Advisory Group, the UNRMS Sub-group, and various Working Groups contribute to refining and implementing these frameworks across sectors. Discussions will focus on integrating these systems with global sustainability goals, addressing challenges such as critical minerals management, and advancing efforts toward a just energy transition. The Expert Group will discuss the liaison and cooperation with the International Standards Organization (ISO) on the new standard ISO Project Committee (PC) 348 for Sustainable Raw Materials. The Expert Group will review progress, identify future priorities for these initiatives, and be invited to make recommendations.

The Expert Group will be informed about the status and progress of the ongoing and planned regular and extrabudgetary projects and the opportunities and challenges for resource mobilization and partnership development. The extrabudgetary projects include “Supporting UNECE member States in the development and implementation of UNFC and UNRMS” (Phase I and II), funded by the European Commission, and “Implementing UNRMS for Circular Materials and Sustainable Resource Management in the UNECE Region,” funded by the United Kingdom. Regular budget projects funded under the Regular Programme on Technical Cooperation will be discussed. The progress of the projects funded by the United Nations Development Account, such as “Food-Water-Energy nexus support to post-COVID-19 recovery in Eastern Europe, Western Balkans, Central Asia, the Middle East and Africa,” and Enhancing capacities in the sustainable production of the critical raw materials required for low-carbon transitions will also be discussed. Regular and extrabudgetary projects can provide technical assistance, capacity-building, knowledge sharing, and networking opportunities for the users and stakeholders of UNFC and UNRMS. The Expert Group will be informed about the status and progress of the ongoing and planned regular and extrabudgetary projects and the opportunities and challenges for resource mobilization and partnership development.

**(a) Development and implementation of the United Nations Framework Classification for Resources and the United Nations Resource Management System**

This session will focus on UNRMS. UNRMS is a strategic framework that emphasizes sustainable resource management across various sectors. It integrates environmental, social, and governance aspects to guide resource development, ensuring alignment with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). UNRMS is a system designed to foster resilience and flexibility in resource management, addressing modern challenges such as energy access, climate change and energy transitions. The Expert Group will discuss the ongoing development and deployment of UNRMS, reviewing case studies, pilot projects, and progress on global adoption to ensure its effective implementation in diverse regions and industries. The Expert Group will discuss the information provided and be invited to make recommendations.

**(b) Minerals**

Minerals are critical to the global energy transition and sustainable development. This session will focus on applying UNFC and UNRMS to ensure that mineral resources are available and managed responsibly and equitably. Discussions will highlight strategies to enhance transparency, environmental stewardship, and social considerations in mineral extraction and use. The Expert Group will review case studies illustrating the successful application of these frameworks, with an emphasis on governance, efficiency and fair benefit-sharing. Additionally, the session will introduce documents on guidance for decision support and probabilistic estimation techniques to enhance precision in resource management and planning. The revised Bridging Document between the Committee for Mineral Reserves International Reporting Standards (CRIRSCO) Template and UNFC will be presented (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2025/6). The Expert Group will discuss the information provided and be invited to make recommendations.

**(c) Petroleum**

The Expert Group will focus on how UNFC and UNRMS can support the sustainable management of petroleum resources, particularly within the context of decarbonization.

Strategies to reduce the carbon footprint of petroleum extraction and use will be discussed, ensuring alignment with global climate objectives. By reviewing case studies, the group will explore how to integrate environmental considerations while advancing energy transitions. Additionally, a draft template on financial reporting will be presented, offering guidance on improving transparency and accountability in petroleum resource management in alignment with other international standards. The Expert Group will discuss the information provided and be invited to make recommendations.

**(d) Renewable energy resources**

Renewable energy resources, such as solar, wind, hydro, and geothermal, are critical to achieving a sustainable, low-carbon future. This session will focus on how UNFC and UNRMS can support developing and managing renewable energy projects. By applying these frameworks, resource managers can ensure that renewable energy projects are developed in an environmentally and socially responsible manner while also contributing to global decarbonization goals. The Expert Group will review updated specifications for the application of UNFC to wind energy (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2025/7) and bioenergy, ensuring their alignment with environmental and social goals. The Expert Group will review best practices and case studies to demonstrate how these frameworks help to assess, classify, and manage renewable energy resources efficiently. Discussions will also explore how UNFC and UNRMS can be applied to emerging renewable technologies and resources, ensuring that their deployment supports energy security, affordability, availability, economic growth, and sustainable development. The session will emphasize the role of these frameworks in scaling up renewable energy adoption while addressing challenges such as regulatory compliance, social impact, and long-term resource planning. The Expert Group will discuss the information provided and be invited to make recommendations.

**(e) Nuclear fuel resources**

Nuclear fuel resources remain key in the global energy mix, especially as the world seeks low-carbon solutions. This session will explore how UNFC and UNRMS frameworks can enhance the sustainable management of nuclear fuel resources, focusing on transparency, safety, and environmental considerations. The Expert Group will review case studies and discuss strategies for responsibly managing uranium and other nuclear fuels, ensuring their use aligns with global decarbonization efforts while maintaining high safety standards. Emphasis will be placed on integrating these resources into long-term sustainable energy planning.

**(f) Injection projects**

Injection projects, such as carbon capture and storage (CCS), are critical for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and supporting decarbonization efforts. This session will explore the application of UNFC and UNRMS in managing these projects, ensuring they are developed responsibly and with transparency. The Expert Group will review case studies demonstrating how these frameworks can enhance injection project classification and sustainable management, including CO<sub>2</sub> storage and other subsurface resources. Discussions will focus on safety, environmental impacts, and long-term monitoring to ensure alignment with global climate goals.

**(g) Anthropogenic resources**

Anthropogenic resources, such as secondary resources recovered from waste materials, mine tailings, and industrial co-products, are gaining importance in the circular economy. This session will explore how UNFC and UNRMS frameworks can support the sustainable management of these resources, promoting recovery and reuse to reduce environmental impact and resource depletion. The Expert Group will also review the updated specifications for applying UNFC to anthropogenic resources (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2025/8) and discuss innovative approaches for resource recovery, refining, recycling, and turning waste into valuable assets. The Expert Group will review case studies on how anthropogenic resources can be effectively classified and managed, ensuring alignment with sustainability goals. Discussions will focus on innovative approaches to recycling, resource recovery, and turning

waste into valuable assets while minimizing environmental harm. The Expert Group will discuss the information provided and be invited to make recommendations.

**(h) Groundwater resources**

Groundwater resources are vital to sustain life, ecosystems, and economies, and their sustainable management is crucial. The sustainable management of groundwater resources should recognize water as a public good rather than a saleable commodity that needs to be managed sustainably. This approach aligns with the water-food-energy-ecosystem nexus, prioritizing the protection of the quantity and quality of groundwater in a context of interconnected resource demands. As per the discussions at the fifteenth session in 2024, the development of UNFC specifications for groundwater resources is contingent on demonstrating the anticipated potential value of applying UNFC to groundwater resources. This includes ensuring that groundwater resources are managed for the secure long-term benefit of communities, aligning with public interests, environmental sustainability and equitable access. The Expert Group will discuss the work of the Groundwater Resources Working Group to implement the requests from the Expert Group at its fifteenth session, any future work, as well as how to align the management of groundwater resources with the principles previously outlined.

**(i) Hydrogen as a resource and other potential applications**

Hydrogen is emerging as one of the solutions to the energy transition, with potential applications in sectors such as transportation and heavy industry. This session will explore how UNFC and UNRMS could support the responsible development of hydrogen projects. In addition, the session will explore other potential applications of these frameworks to emerging resources, expanding their role in advancing global sustainability goals. Due to already stretched capacities, extrabudgetary funds will be required to advance this work. Discussions will also involve collaboration with the Group of Experts on Gas, ensuring that hydrogen technologies align with global sustainability goals, decarbonization efforts, and the evolving needs of the energy sector.

A joint session of the Expert Group and the Group of Experts on Gas will examine hydrogen as a resource and address three interconnected topics:

- (i) Specifications for the application of UNFC and UNRMS to hydrogen projects: This will involve exploring the potential to apply UNFC and UNRMS to hydrogen projects and production technologies, aiming to develop a hydrogen taxonomy based on a full life cycle analysis (LCA) approach;
- (ii) Resource requirements of a future hydrogen economy: The discussion will focus on the critical resources needed for a large-scale, low-emission net energy hydrogen economy, including the availability of critical materials for splitting hydrocarbons or water and for fuel cells; requirements for methane, water, land, and storage; and the demand for steel, copper, nickel, silicon, and cement necessary for wind and photovoltaic installations used in renewable electricity generation for electrolysis- or plasma pyrolysis based hydrogen production;
- (iii) Geologic hydrogen as a low-carbon energy source: Recent announcements, potential opportunities, and limitations of geologic hydrogen and helium as a source of low-carbon energy and as a provider of critical materials will be considered.

**(j) Social and environmental considerations**

Social and environmental considerations are integral to responsible resource management, safeguarding the community and the ecosystem. This session will explore how UNFC and UNRMS can address these considerations, promote equitable resource use, and reduce environmental and social impacts. Detailed environmental and social impact assessment reporting guidelines may need to be developed to align with evolving climate and sustainability goals. The Expert Group will review case studies and discuss strategies to integrate comprehensive social and environmental assessments into resource management, ensuring projects contribute to long-term sustainability and community well-being.

**(k) G-axis guidance**

The G axis represents the degree of confidence in classifying resources under UNFC. As decided at the fifteenth session of the Expert Group, detailed guidance for the application of the G axis is being developed. A draft will be presented for discussion and approval. This guidance will help clarify how the G axis can be used across different sectors, improving resource assessment accuracy. The Expert Group will review the draft and explore its potential to enhance transparency, ensure consistency, and meet the evolving sustainability goals of resource management.

**(l) Competency in resource management**

Competency in resource management is essential to ensure that professionals have the necessary skills and knowledge to apply frameworks like UNFC and UNRMS effectively. This session will focus on developing and strengthening resource management expertise across sectors, emphasising sustainability, transparency, and innovation. The Expert Group will discuss ongoing efforts to enhance training and capacity-building initiatives for required applications of UNFC and UNRMS. These efforts will help ensure that resource managers can handle modern challenges, such as decarbonization, social responsibility, and efficient resource use.

**(m) Commercial aspects and financial reporting**

Commercial aspects and financial reporting play critical roles in resource management, ensuring transparency and accountability in how resources are valued and utilized. This session will explore the integration of UNFC and UNRMS into financial reporting systems, highlighting how these frameworks can support accurate resource valuation and improve investor confidence. The Expert Group will discuss how aligning international financial standards with resource management can enhance commercial viability while promoting sustainable practices. Case studies on financial reporting in resource sectors will also be reviewed to illustrate best practices.

**(n) Women and the protection of human rights in resource management**

The focus will be on ensuring improved capabilities through gender equity and the protection of human rights in resource management, particularly in industries where these issues are often overlooked. Strategies to enhance the participation of women, indigenous groups and marginalized communities in decision-making will be explored, ensuring their rights are protected and their voices included. A draft guidance note on gender and human rights will be presented for discussion, offering a structured approach to address these challenges. The Expert Group will also examine successful case studies to showcase practical solutions to promote equity and protect human rights in resource governance.

**(o) Sustainable Development Goals Delivery**

Delivering on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) requires innovative solutions, particularly leveraging UNFC and UNRMS with technologies like artificial intelligence (AI) and blockchain. This session will explore how these tools can enhance global resource governance by improving transparency, accountability, and efficiency in resource management. AI can optimize resource allocation and monitoring, while blockchain can provide secure, traceable transactions that support equitable distribution and environmental integrity. Additionally, collaboration with the United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UN/CEFACT) and the United Nations Trade Programme (UNTP) will be emphasized to advance critical raw materials management. The Expert Group will discuss best practices and case studies demonstrating how these technologies contribute to achieving SDGs, ultimately promoting sustainable and inclusive economic growth, as well as their limitations.

**(p) Youth**

Youth engagement is essential to shape and staff the future of sustainable resource management. This discussion will focus on creating pathways for young professionals to



actively participate in resource governance, integrating their fresh perspectives on innovation and sustainability. Initiatives for education, capacity-building, and mentorship will be highlighted to ensure young forces are active in decision-making processes. Intergenerational justice will be a key theme, emphasizing the responsibility to manage resources in ways that preserve opportunities for future generations. Additionally, the development of a document aligning UN CETM principles with intergenerational justice will be explored, further incorporating youth-driven solutions into frameworks like UNFC and UNRMS for long-term sustainability and equitable resource use across generations.

**(q) Communications, promotion and outreach**

Effective communication, promotion, and outreach are vital for increasing the visibility and impact of resource management initiatives like UNFC and UNRMS. This session will focus on strategies to enhance stakeholder engagement, including governments, industry, civil society, and the public. The Expert Group will explore best practices in using digital platforms, publications, and events to share success stories, case studies, and the latest developments in resource governance. Special emphasis will be placed on building partnerships and fostering collaboration to ensure that the message of sustainable resource management reaches a global audience, empowering more stakeholders to adopt these frameworks.

The Expert Group will discuss its current and proposed cooperation and integration of capabilities with and between Member States, industries, capital allocators and other organizations and entities, including – but not limited to – African Minerals Development Centre (AMDC), African Union Commission (AUC), European Federation of Geologists (EFG), EuroGeoSurveys (EGS), European Investment Bank (EIB), Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI), Geoscientists Canada, Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), International Energy Agency (IEA), International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Foundation, International Organization for Standardization (ISO), International Raw Materials Observatory (INTRAW), International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB), Mining Association of Canada, Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), World Bank (WB), and the UNEP International Resource Panel (IRP), to achieve synergies and complementarity of efforts and to avoid overlap and duplication.

The Expert Group will review and discuss activities and upcoming events in 2025 and 2026 to promote and educate on UNFC and UNRMS.

**8. Strategizing for impact: Mandate, governance, and work plans for 2024-2025 and 2026-2027**

Progress to implement the work plan for 2024-2025 will be presented and reviewed (ECE/ENERGY/2023/7). As part of the forward-looking strategy, a draft work plan for 2026-2027 (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2025/3) will be presented. The Expert Group will be asked to review, comment on and approve this draft, ensuring that the proposed initiatives align with global sustainability objectives and resource management priorities. Discussions will focus on refining governance structures, enhancing operational efficiency, and addressing emerging challenges in resource governance (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2025/4). As requested by the Committee on Sustainable Energy at its thirty-third session in 2024, the Expert Group will explore options to increase its representation and relevance to all UN Member States, including in decision-making, with recommendations for discussion during this Expert Group session. The new work plan will aim to further the impact of UNFC and UNRMS frameworks while promoting innovative solutions and global collaboration for sustainable resource management. The work plan for 2026-2027 will be submitted to the thirty-fourth session of the Committee on Sustainable Energy for review and approval.

## **9. Election of officers**

At its fourteenth session, 25-28 April 2023, the Expert Group elected a Bureau to serve until the close of the sixteenth session in 2025. The Expert Group will be invited to elect Bureau members whose term ends in 2025 and who stand for re-election and any new nominations to serve until the end of the eighteenth session in 2027. The election of officers will take place simultaneously with that of the Group of Experts on Coal Mine Methane and Just Transition and the Group of Experts on Gas (if candidates are proposed), as detailed in ECE/ENERGY/GE.4/2025/1 and ECE/ENERGY/GE.8/2025/1 respectively.

## **10. Other business**

The Expert Group may discuss any other pertinent issues that arise before or during the session and that fall within the scope of the terms of reference of the Expert Group. Delegations are encouraged to notify the secretariat and the Chair in advance if they wish to raise any issues under this agenda item.

The Expert Group will discuss the dates for its seventeenth session in Geneva in 2026.

## **11. Adoption of conclusions and recommendations**

The Expert Group will be invited to adopt conclusions and recommendations.

Where possible, the draft conclusions and recommendations will be circulated to participants and Geneva Permanent Representations at least ten days before the start of the meeting.

## **12. Adoption of the report and close of the meeting**

The Chair, with the assistance of the secretariat, will summarize the agreed conclusions and recommendations. The Expert Group will be invited to adopt its report (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2025/2) based on a draft prepared by the secretariat in cooperation with the Bureau, following which the Chair will close the meeting.

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