

The Working Group Meeting in 2021 Session 2
Acid Deposition Monitoring Network in East Asia
18-20 August 2021, Virtual Meeting

Recommendations of the WG2021 to IG23 (~~adopted~~~~draft~~)

The Working Group Meeting in 2021 (WG2021) recommends the twenty-third Session of the Intergovernmental Meeting (IG23) on the Acid Deposition Monitoring Network in East Asia (EANET) to make its decisions, including the following elements:

1. Recalling the mandate given by the 22nd Session of the Intergovernmental Meeting (IG22) of the EANET regarding the expansion scope of EANET ~~Instrument~~

Therefore, the Working Group recommends the IG23 to:

- a. ~~Discuss, consider, and finalize~~~~Approve the text~~~~the~~ Draft Supplementary Document (Annex) to EANET Instrument for the purpose of national procedures to approve, as appropriate, following the discussion at the continued WG2021 Session 2 before IG23.
- b. ~~Discuss, consider, and A~~Approve the revision of the Medium Term Plan for the EANET (MTP) (2021-2025), aiming to add relevant information related to the expansion scope of the EANET Instrument to the document following the discussion at the Working Group Meetings in 2021, subject to the approval of the Draft Supplementary Document (Annex) to EANET Instrument.
- c. Task the Secretariat and the NC to take the necessary actions, including organizing the Working Group Meetings in 2022, as a follow-up from sub-paragraph (a) as instructed by the IG23.

2. Recalling the mandate given by the IG22 regarding the Medium Term Plan for the EANET (2021-2025).

Therefore, the Working Group recommends the IG23 to:

- a. ~~Discuss, consider and a~~Approve the Revision of the MTP (2021-2025), the Revision of Guidelines on the Administrative and Financial Management for the Secretariat, and the Network Center for the EANET and Work Programme and Budget in 2022 (WP&B 2022) that were prepared through discussions at the Working Group Meeting sessions and relevant follow-up discussions, as appropriate, with the common understanding:
 1. Core Activities specified in the Draft MTP (2021-2025) ~~and Draft Work Programme and Budget in 2022 (WP&B 2022)~~ isare in line with the current scope and agreed expanded scope of the Instrument and consist of activities that all Participating Countries consider indispensable priority and essential for achieving EANET objectives, and beneficial for all Participating Countries directly and indirectly.
 2. Non-Core Activities described in the WP&B 2022 were recommended by the Working Group Session and follow-up process before IG23 that reflect Participating Countries' priorities and interests, in line with the current and agreed expansion scope of the Instrument, and thus, ready to implement in 2022 once necessary budget to each activity is secured.
 3. Encourage Participating Countries to provide their voluntary contributions to the Core Budget to fully operationalize the Core Activities specified in WP&B 2022 and continue to provide their voluntary contributions to the Core Budget for the MTP (2021-2025).

- b. Discuss, consider, and Adopt the final Draft EANET Project Fund and Project Guideline as appropriate, which may take ~~with immediate~~ effect immediately following the decision of IG23, with the common understanding:
 - 1. The EANET Project Fund and Project Guideline will be implemented as a transition period for one or two years following the approval of IG23.
 - 2. During the transition period, the proposed Non-Core activities (Project Activities) to be implemented in 2022 will be selected through a similar process as in 2021.
 - 3. The implementation of full project proposal submission for Project Activities will be implemented in 2022 following the decision of IG23.
 - 4. The proposal to designate ACAP as Project Fund Holder during the transition period (for one or two years) is approved by the IG23.
- c. Encourage Participating Countries to express the pledge to provide additional voluntary contributions, including in-kind contributions to the Non-Core Activities and EANET Project Fund, to secure necessary resources to implement Non-Core Activities specified in WP&B 2022, and the idea of Non-Core Activities received by 10 September 2021.
- d. Task the Secretariat and the NC to organize the Working Group Meeting[s] after IG23 to discuss and prepare relevant documents defined in sub-paragraph (a and b).
- ~~e. As the Summary of the Twentieth Anniversary of the EANET will be launched during the IG23 meeting and going to be used as an outreach material at the side event of IG23, WG2021 recommend IG23 to discuss, consider and endorse the final Summary of the Twentieth Anniversary of the EANET, subject to the approval of all participating countries. The first day of IG23 is preferred to endorse the final Summary prepared by the SAC. Endorse the final Summary of the Twentieth Anniversary of the EANET at the first day of IG23 meeting.~~