

Regional Collaborative Platform in Europe and Central Asia
IBC on Environment and Climate Change: Work Plan 1 January 2023 – 31 December 2023

A. Strategic vision statement							
<i>The Regional Collaborative Platform in Europe and Central Asia aims at fostering regional cooperation among the entities of the regional UN Development System to provide solutions to the common sustainable development challenges of the countries in the region. It aims at joining forces and using synergies in offering different modalities of support, including at the regional and country level, for achieving the shared goals of these countries. Our particular regional value-added is bringing together our expertise and other assets to provide the best support to countries, to scale up common solutions and to mobilize global, regional, and national actors to address common issues in support of accelerated action for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.</i>							
Results area	Action / Activity	Timeline				Responsible Parties	Lead agency and contact person
Region-specific success indicators for the result area	<i>(to be defined at the level of the RCP)</i>						
1. RCP and IBCs	1.3 IBCs and other inter-agency coordination groups						
	1.3.4 IBC on Environment and Climate Change	Q1 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	IBC on Environment and Climate Change	
	Pillar I: Strengthening environmental and climate change governance and implementing the SDGs and the 2030 Agenda The priority issues for 2023 are climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution (triple planetary crisis), and follow-up on mainstreaming guidance and green transition.						
	• Climate change						
	○ A series of climate change & DRR events and guidance notes for use by UNCTs on early warning systems,					Climate Change & DRR Task Team, ILO	Natalia Berghi (WMO)

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	adaptation, energy, finance and the Sendai Framework						
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Technical guidance to UNCTs to support their work with Governments preparing for COP 28 					All	Marianna Bolshakova (UNEP)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity loss <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Webinar on outcomes of COP 15 and guidance on incorporating the Global Biodiversity Framework into country level work 					Biodiversity Task Team (& CBD)	Jonathan Baker (UNESCO) & Matthew Billot (UNEP)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pollution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Replication of prior support to individual UNCTs for action on air pollution from domestic heating and related topics 					Air Pollution Task Team	Tomas Marques (UNEP) & Dorota Jarosinska (WHO)
	• Transboundary and cross-sectoral						
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dialogue on water cooperation in Central Asia (among RCs/UNCTs and IBC) 	17/2				Water Task Team & Central Asia RCs, ILO	Sarangoo Radnaaragchaa (UNECE)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Integration of environment and climate considerations in the international conference on Sustainable Food Systems organized by Turkmenistan, being led by RC Turkmenistan and IBC Sustainable Food systems 					All with IBC on Sustainable Food Systems	Marika Palosaari (UNEP)

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	Pillar II: Supporting the environmental and climate change dimension of UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) and Common Country Analysis (CCA) processes						
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mainstreaming guidance: CCA process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Support to update CCAs on request ○ Gather lessons learned on CCA process vis-à-vis environment and climate change 					All	Nicholas Bonvoisin (UNECE)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green transitions – operationalization through targeted capacity building (including a just transition and green jobs promotion, addressing vulnerable groups and gender just transition) 					All	Just transition webinar: Maria Osbeck (UNICEF)
	Pillar III: Monitoring and reporting on the environmental and climate change dimension of SDGs						
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contributions to the RCP website to populate all relevant information for the IBC for transparency and use by the RCs and UNCTs. 					IBC Core team/ All	Nicholas Bonvoisin (UNECE) & Francesca Bampa (UNESCO)
	Cross-cutting						
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IBC Retreat – workplan 2023 					All	IBC core team
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop with Result Group Chairs and RCO Economists and Partnership Officers, which will include above-mentioned capacity development on COP 15, COP 28 preparations and green transitions 					IBC Core team	IBC core team

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of communication material including 'one pager' summaries and a video presenting the tools and resources developed by the IBC. 					IBC Core team?	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporation of gender and youth considerations into the activities of the IBC 					Gender and Youth Advisory group (UNICEF, UN Women, UNESCO)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Forum on Sustainable Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Side-event – Early Warnings for All 					All, or Task Team on Climate and DRR	Side event: Sara Lappi (WMO)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular IBC membership meetings (including a substantive discussion on a selected topic) 					All	IBC core team