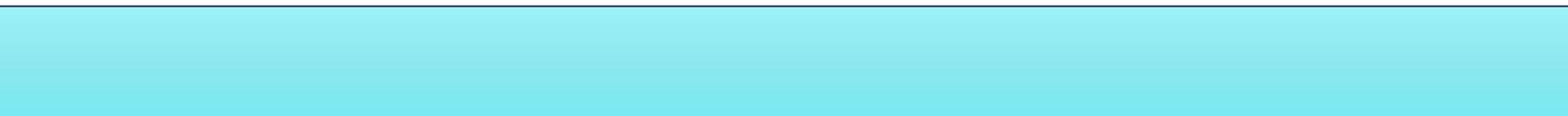




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The Group recommended that

- the good collaboration already happening between organizations working on reducing air pollution should continue and be enhanced
- a dialogue on a broader geographic scope in addressing air pollution be established, taking a step-wise approach at the outset, with an initial focus on increasing regional cooperative efforts. The first step would be a meeting of a core group, that could take place at the informal session planned as part of the upcoming EB meeting in December 2018 in Geneva. The discussion needs to include country representation from all UN regions and relevant organizations, and ensuring appropriate representation will involve funding (*UNECE, UNEP, countries*)

The Group recommended that

- countries and organizations work to implement the UNEA-3 resolution “Preventing and reducing air pollution to improve global air quality”, and that LRTAP follow up on its planned information/expertise sharing with UNEP, overseen by the EB Bureau, as well as its offer to help in the design of the platform for cooperation and sharing information as well as its operation (*LRTAP, UNEP, countries and other organizations*)
- the platform be both a repository for information, resources and tools as well as a framework for facilitating cooperation, and that it function in a straight-forward way that adds value to the existing stock of information already available online and has support and advice available
- UNEP and UNECE consider creating and co-chairing a taskforce for the design and operation of the platform, and that it decide on appropriate representation on the taskforce and its tasks

The Group recommended to

- Implement technical infrastructure for monitoring, capacity-building for emissions inventories and modelling, and health impact assessments in developing countries and work to provide and communicate the information to policy-makers (*international capacity-building projects and partnerships*)
- Include lessons learned for abatement measures in an online clearinghouse, including measures such as open burning of crop residue (e.g. rice straw and forest clearance) and solid waste burning (*UNEP with support from other organizations*)
- Ensure equality in the distribution of resources and technical support and ensure ownership when capacity-building projects are implemented in order to maintain success in the long term (*international capacity-building projects and partnerships*)

The Group also recommended to

- Initiate an overarching coalition, dialogue or umbrella group to spur regional action, work through existing regional agreements, and raise awareness through proactive communication that goes beyond an online clearinghouse (UNEP with support from other organizations)
 - This will enable those working on air pollution to rely on shared experiences as well as share data and information with other regions, including Asia, Africa and Latin America. The regions can then tailor the information to the needs of the region as well as individual countries' situations.

The Group also supported

- the spirit of the work of the International Law Commission and recommended that it continue its work