

Reference: OzL/MP-OEWG44 & ExMOP5

14 April 2022

Invitation to (i) the forty-fourth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group (to be held in Bangkok from 11 to 16 July 2022) and (ii) the Fifth Extraordinary Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (to be held in Bangkok on 16 July 2022)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I hope that you and your family are well and staying safe from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

I have the pleasure to invite your Organization to participate in the following upcoming meetings of the Montreal Protocol:

- The forty-fourth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (OEWG44), to be held from 11 to 16 July 2022; and
- The Fifth Extraordinary Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (ExMOP5) (decision XXXIII/3), to be held in the afternoon of 16 July 2022 for the purpose of taking a decision on the replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the period 2021–2023.

The meetings will be held in person in Bangkok at the following venue:

United Nations Conference Centre
United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
Rajadamnern Nok Avenue
Bangkok 10200
Thailand
<https://www.unescap.org/uncc>

The provisional agendas for the meetings are attached. Other documents will be made available in due course on the Secretariat's meeting portal ([OEWG44](#), [ExMOP5](#)). Pre-registration for the two meetings is now open. Your Organization is requested to nominate one or more representatives using the exclusive link in the email accompanying this letter **as soon as possible and no later than Friday, 20 May 2022**. Owing to the pandemic, conference rooms can currently accommodate only a third of their usual capacity, and therefore 2 participants per Organization will be admitted to the plenary halls.

In line with the successful practice adopted during the pandemic, an online forum will be established for the submission of comments and questions by the parties on specific meeting documents. Pre-registered participants will receive the login information for the forum within 48 hours after pre-registration. The online forum will be opened when documents and reports, such as the reports of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel, become available, and participants will be notified accordingly. The observers will be able to view the forum including comments and questions submitted by the parties.

Detailed information on health protocols applicable to Bangkok and to the meeting venue is included in the [information note](#). Participants are encouraged to refer to the [latest information](#) provided by ESCAP. Participants wishing to attend the meeting must register online for the [Thailand Pass](#) and obtain a QR code to present to airlines. Further details on the Thailand Pass can be found in the [information note](#).

The Secretariat looks forward to welcoming you in Bangkok and working with you to achieve a successful outcome to the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Meg Seki'.

Meg Seki
Executive Secretary

**Montreal Protocol
on Substances that
Deplete the Ozone Layer**

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**Open-ended Working Group of the Parties
to the Montreal Protocol on Substances
that Deplete the Ozone Layer
Forty-fourth meeting**

Bangkok, 11–16 July 2022

Item 2 (a) of the provisional agenda

Organizational matters: adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (b) Organization of work.
3. Replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol for the period 2021–2023.
4. Identification of gaps in the global coverage of atmospheric monitoring of controlled substances and options for enhancing such monitoring (decision XXXIII/4).
5. Institutional processes to strengthen the effective implementation and enforcement of the Montreal Protocol (UNEP/OzL.Pro.31/9, para. 170).
6. Energy-efficient and low-global-warming-potential technologies:
 - (a) Report by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel (decision XXXIII/5);
 - (b) Dumping of new and old inefficient refrigeration and air conditioning appliances (proposal by the African Group) (UNEP/OzL.Conv.12(II)/9–UNEP/OzL.Pro.33/8, para. 82).
7. Terms of reference for a study on the replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol for the period 2024–2026.
8. Technology and Economic Assessment Panel 2022 report, including issues relating to:
 - (a) Nominations for critical-use exemptions for methyl bromide for 2023 and 2024;
 - (b) Future availability of halons and their alternatives (decision XXX/7);
 - (c) Panel membership changes;
 - (d) Any other issues.

9. Strengthening the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel and its technical options committees for the phase-down of hydrofluorocarbons and other future challenges related to the Montreal Protocol and the climate (proposal by Morocco) (UNEP/OzL.Conv.12(I)/6–UNEP/OzL.Pro.32/8, para. 15).
 10. Stocks of methyl bromide (UNEP/OzL.Pro.31/9, para. 100) and quarantine and pre-shipment uses (UNEP/OzL.Conv.12(II)/9–UNEP/OzL.Pro.33/8, para. 56).
 11. Ongoing emissions of carbon tetrachloride (UNEP/OzL.Pro.31/9, para. 81).
 12. Membership of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol (UNEP/OzL.Pro.31/9, para. 147).
 13. Mario Molina declaration on supporting and strengthening the Montreal Protocol (proposal by Mexico) (UNEP/OzL.Conv.12(I)/6–UNEP/OzL.Pro.32/8, para. 16).
 14. Other matters.
 15. Adoption of the report of the meeting.
 16. Closure of the meeting.
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**Fifth Extraordinary Meeting of the Parties
to the Montreal Protocol on Substances
that Deplete the Ozone Layer**

Bangkok, 16 July 2022

Item 2 (a) of the provisional agenda

Organizational matters: adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting.
 2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (b) Organization of work;
 - (c) Credentials of representatives.
 3. Replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol for the period 2021–2023.
 4. Adoption of the outcomes of the meeting.
 5. Closure of the meeting.
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