



Effectiveness Evaluation Group
Minamata Convention on Mercury
Eighth meeting
Geneva, 9–11 February 2026

Item 6 of the provisional agenda

**Schedule and workplan for the completion of the
effectiveness evaluation report and lessons learned report**

Draft schedule and workplan

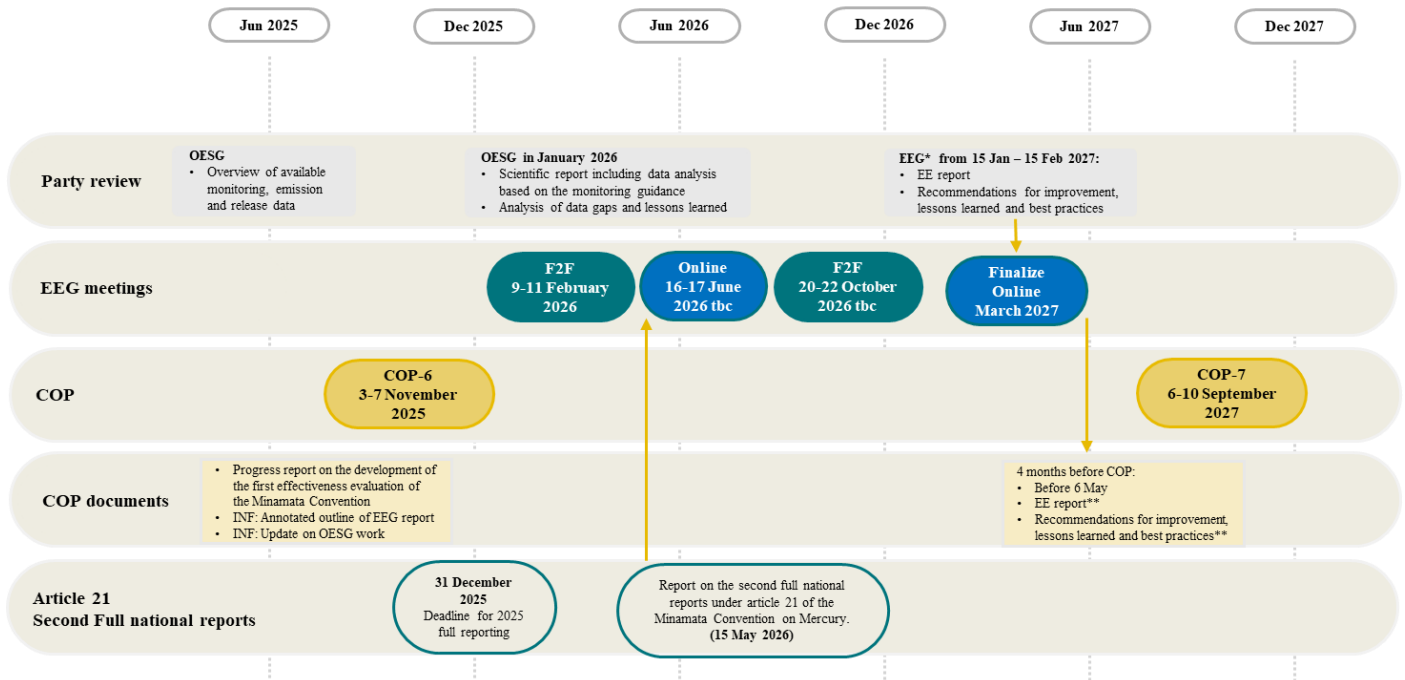
Note by the secretariat

The annex to the present note sets out the timeline and draft workplan for the delivery of the first effectiveness evaluation. The timeline presented is based on the previous version contained in annex II to document UNEP/MC/COP.6/16, as presented to the Conference of the Parties at its sixth meeting.

Annex

Part I:

Timeline for the first effectiveness evaluation of the Minamata Convention on Mercury



* EEG integrates reports and develops final EE report and report on lessons learned and recommendations.

** As per the EEG's terms of reference, draft COP documents will be open for Party comments and finalized by the EEG at least four months before the next COP meeting.

Part II: Initial proposed workplan for discussion at EEG-8

	EEG-8 F2F: 9-11 February 2026	EEG-9 online: 16-17 June 2026 (two slots of 3 hours)	EEG-10 F2F: 20-22 October 2026 (tbc)	Party review 15 Jan-15 Feb '27	EEG-11 online: March 2027
Executive Summary		17 June: Discuss elements and agree on the approach to draft.	Draft to be finalized at this meeting.		
I. Introduction	Finalize		Re-visit as appropriate		
II. Methodology	Finalize		Re-visit as appropriate		
III. Evaluation of the effectiveness					
A. Overall protection of human health and the environment (article 1)		16 June: OESG to provide a draft section A.	Finalize		
Sections B - H	Sub-groups to update respective sections based on feedback at EEG-8 by 9 April and submit to the secretariat for the master document.	16 June: Discuss any new information available from the national reporting data, OESG, etc. Finalize.			
I. National Reporting (article 21)		16 June: Secretariat to present its report on the second full National Report under Art. 21	Finalize		
IV. Overall summary assessment and conclusions	Initial list of elements for the report generated at EEG-8. Agree on approach to draft.	17 June: Initial draft for input at this meeting.	Revised for finalization at this meeting.		
Additional report on lessons learned and recommendations	Initial list of elements for the report generated at EEG-8. Agree on approach to draft.	17 June: Initial draft for input at this meeting.	Revised for finalization at this meeting.		
EEG finalizes the effectiveness evaluation, lessons learned and recommendations to be made available for Party Review.					
Secretariat finalizes documentation for the Party review period under the guidance of the co-chairs.					
Party review inputs.					Party review inputs considered. Report finalized before 6 May '27.