

(Annex to the Report of THE PEP Steering Committee on its sixth session)
REPORT OF THE EXTENDED BUREAU MEETING OF
THE PEP STEERING COMMITTEE

30 April 2008, Geneva

1. The extended Bureau of THE PEP Steering Committee met on 30 April 2008 at WHO headquarters in Geneva, following the sixth session of the Steering Committee, in order to continue preparations of the third High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (HLM). The meeting was chaired by Mr. Vadim Donchenko (Russian Federation).
2. The following Bureau members attended the meeting: Ms. Narin Panariti (Albania), Mr. Robert Thaler (Austria), Ms. Hristina Mileva (Bulgaria), Mr. Jiří Bendel and Dr. Jaroslav Volf (Czech Republic), Ms. Nino Gokhelashvili and Dr. Manana Juruli (Georgia), Dr. Zsuzsanna Bibók (Hungary), Mr. Ján Janiga (Slovakia), Mr. Nigel Dotchin (United Kingdom) and Mr. Chuck Ashley (United States). In addition, the following members of the Steering Committee participated: Mr Ralph Kellermann (Germany), Dr Ion Shalaru (Moldova) and Dr José Robalo (Portugal).
3. Dr. Sonja Kahlmeier and Ms. Francesca Racioppi of WHO and Mr. Martin Magold and Ms. Brinda Wachs of UNECE participated on behalf of THE PEP secretariat.
4. The Bureau discussed the draft outcome document of the HLM. In particular, it developed the following proposal for the theme of the High-level Meeting: “Making THE Link: transport choices for our health, environment and prosperity” for consideration by the host. It revised the draft version of the outcome document, in accordance with feedback from the Steering Committee and drafted a list of concrete actions for policy makers which delegations could adopt and develop in the way that suited their national perspectives and goals. A mechanism for implementation, monitoring and reporting would be included.
5. The proposal to consider establishing national centres of excellence on THE PEP was welcomed and the secretariat was invited to develop more detailed proposals for further discussion. The secretariat would also develop proposals for a funding mechanism within THE PEP. Both proposals would be considered at the next session of the extended Bureau on 1-2 October 2008 in Geneva.
6. The next draft of the outcome document would be sent to the Steering Committee on 5 June, with comments to be received by 5 July 2008. A further version should be developed by early September 2008.
7. The next meetings of the extended Bureau would be held on 1 and 2 October 2008 in Geneva on 31 October 2008 in Chisinau, followed by a meeting in early December 2008 in Rome, hosted by the WHO Regional Office for Europe to finalize preparations for the HLM.