

Twenty-eighth Senior Officials Meeting (SOM-28) of NEASPEC

22-23 September 2025

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Provisional Programme

Day 1: 09:00 – 18:00 (GMT+8), Monday, 22 September 2025

08:30 – 09:00 **Registration**

09:00 – 09:20 **1. Opening of the meeting**

- Opening Remarks by the secretariat
- Welcoming Remarks by the host government

09:20 – 09:30 **2. Election of officers**

09:30 – 09:45 **3. Adoption of agenda**

09:30 - 09:45 **Tea break**

09:45 – 11:00 **4. Statements by delegations of the member States, the United Nations and international organizations on issues related to sustainable development in North-East Asia**

11:00 – 13:00 **5. Review of programme planning and implementation**

- a) Air Pollution
- b) Biodiversity and Nature Conservation
- c) Marine Protected Areas
- d) Low Carbon Cities
- e) Desertification and Land Degradation

Short presentations to be made by the secretariat and partner institutions for each programme area, followed by interventions from the member States.

13:00 – 14:30 **Lunch**

14:30 - 16:30 **5. Review of programme planning and implementation (Cont'd)**

16:30 - 16:45 **Tea break**

16:45 – 18:00 **5. Review of programme planning and implementation (Cont'd)**

18:30 – 20:00 **Welcome reception**

Day 2: 09:00 – 12:30 (GMT+8), Tuesday, 23 September 2025

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| 09:00 – 09:30 | 6. Review of the Core Fund and Project-based Fund
<i>The meeting will review the state of the Core Fund and project-based funds of NEASPEC. It will also review and approve the proposed budget plan and results framework for 2026-2030. Member States are invited to announce intended cash and/or in-kind contributions for the new cycle 2026-2030.</i> |
| 09:30 – 10:00 | 7. Review and approval of the NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2026-2030
<i>The meeting will review and approve the NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2026-2030.</i> |
| 10:00 – 10:10 | 8. Venue, date, and provisional agenda of the Twenty-ninth Senior Officials Meeting (SOM-29)
<i>The meeting will invite member State hosting the 29th Senior Officials Meeting (SOM-29) to inform on provisional plan for SOM-29 organization.</i> |
| 10:10 -10:30 | 9. Other issues
<i>The meeting may raise any other issues not covered under the abovementioned items.</i> |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Preparation of draft meeting report by the Secretariat |
| 11:00 – 12:30 | 10. Adoption of the conclusions and recommendations of the Meeting/ Closing Session
<i>The report on the meeting consists of two major parts: (i) the conclusions and recommendations, and (ii) the proceedings of the Senior Officials Meeting. The first part (i.e. conclusions and recommendations) will be adopted at SOM-28, and the second part (i.e., proceedings) will be prepared by the secretariat after the meeting and will be circulated to the member States for review and approval.</i> |

Annex. SOM-28 Associated Events (Indicative)

	Event Name	Date and Time	Location	Participants from Mongolia	International Participants
1	SOM-28	22 Sep (full day) – 23 Sep (morning)	MOFA, Mongolia	TBC (subject to MECC request)	NEASPEC National Focal Points (2 from each, up to 12 focal points) NEASPEC partners
2	2 nd North-East Asia Clean Air Partnership (NEACAP) Policy Dialogue	23 Sep (afternoon)	Blue Sky Hotel (TBC)	Stakeholders working on air quality management: officials from relevant government agencies; academia and policy institutes; NGOs; UN agencies and other development partners/IOs	SOM delegation (including officials working on air quality management); NEACAP Science and Policy Committee (SPC) members and Technical Center (TC) representatives; resource persons/speakers
3	National Workshop on Air Pollution for Mongolia	24 Sep (full day)	Blue Sky Hotel (TBC)	Stakeholders working on air quality management: officials from relevant government agencies; academia and policy institutes; NGOs; UN agencies and other development partners/IOs	NEACAP SPC members and TC representatives; resource persons/speakers
4	DLD Forum	24 Sep (full day)	Blue Sky Hotel (TBC)	National Forestry Administration, MECC, local municipalities, relevant ministries, IOs	SOM Delegation, DLDD-NEAN Secretariat and its member agencies
5	DLD Workshop	25 Sep (afternoon), 26 September (full day)	Blue Sky Hotel (TBC)	National Forestry Administration, MECC, local communities, relevant ministries, IOs	International experts