

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**
 • H.E. Mr. Zolbayer Togtokhjargal, State Secretary, MECC, Mongolia
 • Mr. Ganbold Baasanjav, Head, ESCAP East and North-East Asia Office

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

09:00 – 09:30 6. Review of the Core Fund and Project-based Fund

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.

09:30 – 10:00 7. Review and approval of the NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2026-2030

The meeting will review and approve the NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2026-2030.

10:00 – 10:10 8. Venue, date, and provisional agenda of the Twenty-ninth Senior Officials Meeting (SOM-29)

The meeting will invite member State hosting the 29th Senior Officials Meeting (SOM-29) to inform on provisional plan for SOM-29 organization.

10:10 -10:30 9. Other issues

The meeting may raise any other issues not covered under the abovementioned items.

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

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.