

Twenty-ninth Senior Officials Meeting (SOM-29) of NEASPEC

25-26 November 2026

Moscow, Russian Federation

Provisional Programme

Day 1: 09:00 – 18:00 (GMT+3), Wednesday, 25 November 2026

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

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+3), Friday, 26 November 2026

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. 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. Venue, date, and provisional agenda of the Thirtieth Senior Officials Meeting (SOM-30) <i>The meeting will invite the member State hosting the 30th Senior Officials Meeting (SOM-30) to inform on provisional plans for SOM-30 organization.</i>
10:00 -10:10	8. Other issues <i>The meeting may raise any other issues not covered under the abovementioned items.</i>
10:10 – 10:40	Preparation of draft meeting report by the Secretariat
10:40 – 12:00	9. 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-29, 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-29 Associated Events (Indicative)

	Event Name	Date and Time	Location	Participants from the Russian Federation	International Participants
1	SOM-29	25 Nov (full day) – 26 Nov (morning)	MOFA, Moscow, Russian Federation	TBC (subject to MNRE request)	NEASPEC delegates from member States and representatives from the NEASPEC partner institutions.
2	6 th International Forum on Low Carbon Cities	23 Nov (full day forum) 24 Nov (technical tour)	National Centre Russia, Moscow, Russian Federation	Representatives from local governments, relevant institutions, academia and the private sector (coordinated by the Moscow City Government, co-organizer of IFLCC-6 and host of the International Municipal Forum)	City officials and representatives from Asia-Pacific Region (i.e., East and North-East Asia, North and Central Asia, South-West and South Asia, South-East Asia), UN agencies, and North-East Asia Low Carbon Cities Platform (NEA-LCCP) partners
3	Capacity-building Workshop on the Impacts of Energy Infrastructure and Agricultural Practices on Migratory Birds and Their Habitats in North-East Asia	27 Nov (full day)	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Moscow, Russian Federation	Implementing partners of the Project “Connectivity Conservation for Migratory Birds and Their Habitats in North-East Asia”, young researchers and academia (TBC)	NEASPEC delegates from member States, implementing partners of the Project, experts, and representatives from NEASPEC partner institutions