

# Indicative programme – Environment Council of 19 December 2019

**Place:**

Europa building, Brussels

**Chair:**

Krista Mikkonen, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Finland

*All times are approximate and subject to change*

from 8.00

Arrivals

+/- 8.00

Doorstep by Minister Mikkonen

+/- 9.30

**Beginning of the Council meeting** (Roundtable)

Adoption of the agenda

+/- 09.35

A0B: European Green Deal ([public session](#))

+/- 09.45

EU environment and climate policy in the new legislative term ([public session](#))

A0B: Reports on main recent international meetings ([public session](#))

- Third meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (COP 3) (Geneva, 25-29 November 2019)
- 25th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the UN Climate Change Conference (COP 25) (Madrid, 2-13 December 2019)
- 21st meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention (COP 21) (Naples, 2-5 December 2019)

+/- 11.40

Conclusions on the preparation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) ([public session](#))

+/- 13.10

A0B: Priorities of the United Nations Environment Programme as well as upcoming major global events and issues ([public session](#))

+/- 13.25

Approval of legislative A items ([public session](#))

+/- 13.30

Approval of non-legislative A items

Informal lunch: presentation of the European Environment Agency's state and outlook of the environment 2020 report by Hans Bruyninckx

+/- 15.00

A0B: Outcome of the second EU Clean Air Forum (Bratislava, 28-29 November 2019) ([public session](#))

A0B: Fitness check on air quality ([public session](#))

A0B: Report on the EU implementation of the Aarhus Convention ([public session](#))

A0B: Fitness check on water and the REFIT check on urban waste water treatments ([public session](#))

A0B: EU action to address risks related to poly- and perfluorinated alkylated substances (PFAS) ([public session](#))

A0B: Management of large carnivores ([public session](#))

A0B: EU action to protect and restore the world's forests ([public session](#))

A0B: Work programme of the incoming Presidency

+/- 16.30

**Press conference** ([live streaming](#))