



Tentative timetable Asia Pacific Minamata Working Session 9 – 10 March 2017

Day One – 9 March	
9 :00 – 9 :15	Opening, introduction of objectives
Minamata Convention – Overview and implementation	
9 :15 – 12:30 (including coffee break)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of Convention obligations, with focus on regional needs • Presentation by countries on progress in line with their roadmaps and MIAs (6 countries, 5 min each plus discussion) • Opportunity for countries to further review their roadmaps and MIA plans, consider proposals for further support needed (work individually or in small groups)
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
Minamata Convention – Overview and implementation continued	
13:30 – 15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open discussion on further technical and other support required, and plans for future work.
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break
Progress towards the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties	
15:15 – 17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of outcome of INC7 along with description of intersessional work • Key issues for the first meeting of the Conference • Open discussion, questions and opportunity to consider issues of concern for the region
17:00	Close of Day
Day Two – 10 March	
Artisanal and Small Scale Gold Mining	
9:00 – 11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the guidance on the preparation of national Action plans for ASGM including comments received <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Secretariat Experience ○ Country experience of implementation • Discussion of NAP guidance, including provision of comments to secretariat (including possible small group discussions)
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break
Contaminated sites	
11:30 – 12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of work on contaminated sites, including description of submissions and expectation for the COP
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
Contaminated sites continued	
13:30– 15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of contaminated sites including convention obligations and possible contributions to discussions at the COP
Open discussions	
15:00 – 16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open discussion, questions and opportunity to consider additional support requirements
16:30 – 17:00	Summary and Conclusion