

**UNECE Convention on the Transboundary
Effects of Industrial Accidents**

**UNECE Convention on the Protection and Use
of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes**

Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents

Geneva, 10 October 2011

MEETING MINUTES

**Joint Expert Group for the elaboration of checklist/methodology for harmonized contingency
planning for accidents with potential impacts on transboundary watercourses
(second meeting)**

Co-chairs for the meeting: Mr. Peter Kovacs (Hungary) and Mr. Francisc Senzaconi (Romania).

1. Introduction and welcoming remarks

The Co-chairs supported by the secretariat summarized the work completed prior to the second meeting including the presentation of the compiled draft of the guidelines.

2. Discussion on the document

The expert group reviewed and elaborated on the draft guidelines, consisting of compiled expert contributions delivered since the first JEG meeting. Due to time constraints, it was not possible to review the entire document. Therefore the experts were requested to finalize their review of the document continuing from item 2.1.3 in the Annex alongside their review of the most recent iteration of the document.

3. Next steps for further elaboration of the guidelines

The latest version of the guidelines containing the outcomes of the meeting is to be circulated among the JEG members by the secretariat on October 11, together with the meeting minutes. Comments on the draft shall be returned to the consultant with copy to the group by **October 21**. The resulting version of the document is to be presented at the Sandoz 25+ seminar in Bonn on 7-8 November. After the review of the document at the Sandoz event, requirements and timing for the following JEG meeting is to be determined. Based on the comments and recommendations received in Bonn, the JEG members would also agree on the responsibilities for further development of the document,.