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Can reducing methane emissions build a healthier, more sustainable future?

A collaborative dialogue among parliaments, governments,
civil society and experts

11 December 2025

09:30–11:00 CET (Geneva time) /15:30–17:00 ICT (Bangkok time)

Organized jointly by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) and the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)

PROGRAMME

09:30 (CET) / 15:30 (ICT)	Opening session <i>Ms. Aleksandra Blagojevic, Programme Manager for International Development, IPU</i>
09:35 (CET) / 15:35 (ICT)	Why methane matters? <i>Mr. Dario Liguti, Director, Sustainable Energy Division, UNECE</i>
09:40 (CET) / 15:40 (ICT)	Dialogue 1: Sharing evidence-based insights on the impacts of methane emissions on people and the planet <i>Moderator: Ms. Aleksandra Blagojevic, Programme Manager for International Development, IPU</i> - <i>Mr. Sangmin Nam, Director, Environment and Development Division, UN ESCAP</i> - <i>Ms. Emeline Pluchon, Environmental Affairs Expert, UNECE</i> The dialogue will be followed by a Q&A session/interactive discussion with participants.
10:05 (CET) / 16:05 (ICT)	Dialogue 2: Showcasing good practices and the triple benefits of investing in methane emission reduction <i>Moderator & resource person: Ms. Chiara Giamberardini, Secretary of the UNECE Group of Experts on Coal Mine Methane and Just Transition</i> - <i>Ms. Syeda Shehla Raza, Member of the National Assembly, Pakistan</i> - <i>Ms. Holly Schofield, Methane Project Global Focal Point, IPU</i> - <i>Mr. Debadutta Mohanty, Professor, Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research, and Senior Principal Scientist, Gas Emissions and Clean Energy Resources Research Group, Jharkhand, India</i>

	<p>- <i>Mr. Dame Dimitrovski, President of the Skopje City Council, North Macedonia (TBC)</i></p> <p>The dialogue will be followed by a Q&A session/interactive discussion with participants.</p>
10:55 (CET) / 16:55 (ICT)	<p>Brief overview of key takeaways and closing remarks</p> <p><i>Mr. Sergey Tulinov, Economic Affairs Officer in the Energy Division, ESCAP</i></p>
11:00 (CET) / 17:00 (ICT)	<p>End of webinar</p>