• Since the establishment of the Committees at the 218th session of the Executive Board and the inclusion of additional members at the 219th session, a request has been received from Qatar for its inclusion in the NGP Committee. The Bureau recommends the inclusion of Qatar in the NGP Committee and this recommendation will be presented to the Board at its first Plenary meeting on 14 October 2024 for approval. As has been the case in the past and given that the meetings of the NGP Committee at the current session take place prior to the Plenary on 14 October, the Bureau recommends the participation of Qatar in all NGP meetings of this session awaiting the approval of the Plenary. However, Qatar may not participate in decision making until their membership in the Committee has been formally approved by the Plenary.

The Vice-Chair of group II will consult with the group members and revert to the Bureau at its second meeting regarding the possible inclusion of a member in the SP Committee to complete the group's representation.

The Vice-Chair of group III will consult with the group members and revert to the Bureau at its second meeting regarding the possible inclusion of a member in the NGP Committee to complete the group's representation.

• The second meeting of the Bureau will take place at 9am on Friday 11 October 2024.