

**Paper 2.4**  
**OECD Household Survey Update**

**Matters for the ExCo**

1. The ExCo is asked to note progress with the survey.

**Background**

2. At the last ExCo meeting, the ExCo agreed to devote 35 000 Euros from the Common Fund to the EPIC Household Survey led by the OECD.
3. The objective of the survey is twofold: 1) to collect information on individual preferences and attitudes in different environmental domains and country contexts, and 2) to assess the effectiveness of specific environmental policies in inducing changes in individual environmental behaviour. The UsersTCP will influence the design of the survey, particularly the energy module, and have preferential access to the data.
4. The survey will proceed in 2021-22 subject to confirmation from sufficient countries. Amongst UsersTCP member countries, the Netherlands, Sweden and Switzerland have already committed with the UK also expected to participate. France is participating in the survey and the OECD is hopeful that Israel and Japan will also join. A number of other countries have expressed an interest. The final set of survey countries must be finalized in April 2021.
5. The TCP's Head of Secretariat (Sam Thomas) is on the Steering Committee and Helene Ahlborg (Chalmers University, Sweden) is representing the TCP on the Scientific Advisory Committee. Helene will join the ExCo meeting to discuss the survey on 26 April.
6. During Q2 2021, the survey will be drafted in consultation with the Steering Group and the Scientific Advisory Committee. Q3 - Q4 2021 will see the questionnaire finalized and the call for tender issued to select survey providers. The survey itself will be undertaken in Q 4 2021 – Q1 2022 and analysis will begin in Q2 – Q3 2022.
7. The latest paper prepared by the OECD Secretariat for the Environmental Policy Working Party is included in the meeting pack as Paper 2.4a.