

What you need to know about the draft framework for the environmentally sound management (ESM) of wastes

Friday, 3 May 2013, 13:15 – 14:45, Room 3

At its tenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention recognized that harm to human health and the environment continues to be caused throughout the world by inadequate waste management procedures. It stressed the critical importance of prevention and minimization of hazardous wastes and other wastes, while noting that a more systematic and comprehensive effort is needed to improve guidance on the environmentally sound management (ESM) of wastes. A technical expert group was mandated to complete the development of a framework for the ESM of hazardous wastes and other wastes.

During this side-event, the Co-chairs of the Technical Expert Group share all there is to know about the draft framework for the environmentally sound management of wastes. An interactive question and answer session will follow an introduction by the Secretariat and the presentation by the Co-chairs.

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| 13:15 – 13:20 | WELCOMING REMARKS
<i>Jim Willis</i> , Executive Secretary, Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions |
| 13:20 – 13:30 | MANDATE OF THE TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP AND ITS WORK
<i>Susan Wingfield</i> , Programme Officer, Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions |
| 13:30 – 14:00 | A CLOSER LOOK AT THE FRAMEWORK
<i>Kazuhiko Takemoto & Mohammed Khashashneh</i> , Co-chairs, Technical Expert Group |
| 14:00 – | Q&A |