

PROJECT CONCEPT NOTE

CONVENTIONS :		PROJECT TITLE :	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BC <input type="checkbox"/> RC <input type="checkbox"/> SC <input type="checkbox"/> SYN		Coordination and provision of support to Parties in follow-up to the country-led initiative on environmentally sound management and further legal clarity (PoW 34) - country-led initiative on environmentally sound management	
FUNDING OPTIONS:		TYPE / LOCATION	TARGETED COUNTRIES:
<input type="checkbox"/> Funding in full <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partial funding possible		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Global <input type="checkbox"/> Regional <input type="checkbox"/> National	Global
MANDATE			
<p>COP decision(s): Decision BC-13/2 on follow-up to the Indonesian-Swiss country-led initiative to improve the effectiveness of the Basel Convention: Developing guidelines for environmentally sound management (ESM)</p> <p>Activity 34 on coordination and provision of support to Parties in follow-up to the country-led initiative on environmentally sound management and further legal clarity</p> <p>Activities in the work programme of the expert working group on ESM commenced after the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (2016-17 biennium) and are to continue into the 2018-19 biennium.</p>			
Rationale			
<p>The activities to promote ESM are set out in the work programme of the expert working group on ESM, as adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting (COP-13). The work programme outlines elements of an “ESM Toolkit” to be developed by the group, including practical manuals, fact sheets on specific waste streams, guidance documents, development of an internet portal, pilot projects and other tools. COP-13 adopted several of these tools (practical manuals on ESM and guidance on prevention and minimization) and welcomed others (fact sheets on specific waste streams and draft manuals on extended producer responsibility and financing). COP-13 requested the Expert Working Group to add additional tools to the Toolkit, including a manual on ensuring notifications of transboundary movements meet ESM requirements, a guidance document on developing strategies for recycling and recovery and guidance on how to address ESM in the informal sector.</p>			
Outcomes and indicators of achievement			
<p>Outcomes: The ESM Toolkit is further developed in accordance with the work programme of the group (adopted by decision BC-13/2).</p>			
Indicators of achievement:		Means of verification:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Effective support is provided by the Secretariat to the expert working group on ESM; 2. Work on ESM Toolkit is progressed as per the mandate from COP-13; 3. Industry involvement in implementation of the work programme of the expert working group. 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EWG meeting reports; 2. ESM Toolkit and web portal¹; 3. COP-14 meeting report and associated decisions. 	
IMPLEMENTATION TIMEFRAME			
Project start date: 01/2018		Project completion date: 12/2019	Total duration: 24 months

¹ Available at:

<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/CountryLedInitiative/EnvironmentallySoundManagement/Overview/tabid/3615/Default.aspx>

SOCIO-ECONOMIC ASPECTS		
<p>Sustainable Development Goals: This activity contributes to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in particular, Goal 12 on ensuring sustainable consumption and production patterns.</p> <p>Gender mainstreaming: In line with the BRS Gender Action Plan, the Secretariat will, where appropriate, encourage governments and observers to take into account gender-related aspects in nominating representatives to the meetings of the working groups, and in other relevant activities where suitable. The Secretariat will also advise, where appropriate, any potential gender impacts of matters considered, in particular as to vulnerable groups who may suffer greater exposure to and harm from hazardous wastes.</p> <p>Integrated Approach: The activity catalyses cooperation among Parties and relevant stakeholders, including civil society and private sector, thus promoting the integration of chemicals and wastes into national budgets, sectors and development plans, and enhancing private-public relationships and partnerships. As such, this activity contributes to the integrated approach to financing options for chemicals and wastes.</p>		
PARTNERS		
Expert Working Group on ESM; observers from civil society, industry and academia		
PROPOSED ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 2018-19 [USD]		
Activity	Output type	Budget
Organize meetings of the expert working group on ESM	Meeting and travel costs	110,000
Organize travel for staff to support meetings of the expert working group on ESM	Meeting and travel costs	7,500
Contract consultancy to support work of expert working group	Experts' support	100,000
Set up subcontracts to support work of expert working group (e.g. pilot projects)	Pilot projects	100,000
DIRECT PROJECT COST OPERATIONAL BUDGET		317,500
<i>Programme Support Costs (PSC) 13%</i>		<i>41,275</i>
TOTAL OPERATIONAL BUDGET		358,775