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BASEL CONVENTION



ROTTERDAM CONVENTION



STOCKHOLM CONVENTION

BASEL, ROTTERDAM AND STOCKHOLM CONVENTIONS

PROJECT CONCEPT NOTE

CONVENTIONS :		PROJECT TITLE :	
<input type="checkbox"/> BC <input type="checkbox"/> RC <input type="checkbox"/> SC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SYN		Evaluation of completed and ongoing partnerships under the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions	
FUNDING OPTIONS:		TYPE / LOCATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Funding in full <input type="checkbox"/> Partial funding possible		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Global <input type="checkbox"/> Regional <input type="checkbox"/> National	
Project start date: 01/06/2016		Project completion date: 30/04/2017	
		Total duration: 11 months	
LEGAL BASIS AND MANDATE			
POW activity 18 (S4) on Partnerships for Technical Assistance Decisions BC-12/9, RC-7/7, SC-7/16 Technical Assistance			
BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND PROJECT JUSTIFICATION			
<p>Over the years, the Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (COPs) have established partnerships or have asked the secretariat to join partnerships established by other organizations and institutions to strengthen the implementation of the conventions. The partnerships programme of the secretariat has two main types of cooperation, which are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Lead cooperation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Partnerships where the Secretariat has the lead as mandated by the conferences of the parties (MPPI, PACE, ENFORCE); Partnerships that are initiated and led in the start-up phase by the Secretariat but where one or more other partners take the lead due to their area of expertise (e.g. the PCBs elimination network (PEN) or the DDT global alliance); Non-lead cooperation: Partnerships or partnership sub-groups of other organizations where the Secretariat actively participates but does not have a lead role (e.g. Mercury Partnership, Global Partnership on Waste Management, Solving the e-waste problem initiative, Global Extended Water Monitoring Initiative; for further details see: http://www.basel.int/Implementation/TechnicalAssistance/Partnerships/OtherPartnerships/tabid/3240/Default.aspx). <p>The outcomes of the partnerships and networks where the secretariat has been involved will be assessed and evaluated to find out which qualitative and quantitative impact the partnerships have in view of the implementation of the conventions.</p>			
PROPOSED ACTIVITIES			
<p>A consultancy will be initiated to carry out the evaluation which will include a study on completed and ongoing partnerships and their impacts of their activities. The study will include a review of available documents, extensive phone interviews with partners and a survey which will be developed to support the study, as well as a section on lessons learnt, conclusions and recommendations.</p> <p>An evaluation report will be prepared and published outlining lessons learnt and recommendations for possible follow-up activities.</p>			
RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED			
<p>Expected results: The evaluation will cover a period of about 10 year (2005-2015) looking at impacts from MPPI, PACE, ENFORCE and the contributions made by the Secretariat to partnerships lead by other institutions and international organizations. An evaluation report will be developed for submission to the COPs in 2017 (January 2017).</p> <p>Indicator of success: Evaluation report available for submission to the COP 13 for consideration.</p> <p>Means of verification: The report, which will be translated into all UN languages, published (April 2017) and presented at the COPs in 2017 (May 2017).</p>			

PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY AND REPLICABILITY

The partnership programme includes the continuation of or engagement in existing partnerships as well as the identification and establishment of new partnerships and networks with relevant and interested partners for the delivery of technical assistance to eligible parties under the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions to enable them to meet their obligations under the conventions. The needs assessment provides the basis for the identification, prioritization and initiation of partnerships in support of and supplementing, as appropriate, the capacity building and training activities under the technical assistance programme of the secretariat. The project will evaluate if this aim of the partnership programme is achieved with previous and ongoing partnership activities and if the approach meets the needs identified by parties to the conventions. The project will further assess if a multiplier effect is achieved from the involvement and cooperation with partners for the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, when convention-specific issues are taken up and/or strengthened within the work programmes of partners or in programmes of mutual interest among several partners. The study will provide qualitative and, where possible, quantitative data on whether the cooperating partners bring in in-kind contributions and/or respective budgets, therefore partnerships may have a substantial resource mobilization effect for capacity-building and technical assistance. In partnerships, the Secretariat contributes convention-specific knowledge, but relies and profits from the expertise of partners (governments, IGOs, NGOs, industry, academia, others) to achieve a common goal. The study will evaluate if the joint work areas are big enough to create a substantial "win-win" situation for both partners in joint efforts is an essential requirement for running a successful partnership. The lessons learnt and conclusions from this analysis will be submitted to the COPs in 2017 for consideration and discussion of possible future direction and expansion of the partnership programme of the conventions.

GENDER MAINSTREAMING

The terms of reference for the consultancy will include a gender differentiated analysis of the past and on-going partnership approaches and activities. The evaluation will further analyse the gender specific impact of the partnership outcomes, provide lessons learnt and identify gaps which could be filled and that will strengthen impacts of the partnerships when applying gender differentiated or gender specific approaches, e.g. the inclusion and design of gender specific activities, as appropriate.

OUTREACH AND INFORMATION SHARING

The aim of the evaluation will be communicated with a broad range of stakeholders that were or are involved in partnerships under the conventions to receive their feedback on the effects and effectiveness of the partnerships to achieve a common goal. The final draft report will be translated into the UN languages to trigger a discussion on the lessons learnt and future direction of the conventions' partnership programme in the context of the COPs in 2017. To this end, the report will be submitted to the COPs as information document and will be presented in a side event during the COPs.

BUDGET [USD] FOR 2016-2017

STAFF PERSONNEL	70,400
CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	210
TRAVEL	-
EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES, FURNITURE	-
OTHER OPERATIONAL COSTS	5,000
GRANTS OUT	-
DIRECT PROJECT COST OPERATIONAL BUDGET	75,610
<i>Programme Support Costs (PSC) 13%</i>	<i>9,829</i>
TOTAL OPERATIONAL BUDGET	85,439