Convention: SYN Basel Waste Solutions Circle

LEGAL BASIS/MANDATE:

Work programme activity #: S13

COP Decision:

BC-10/26: Further development of the Basel Waste Solutions Circle; UNEP/CHW.10/INF/49

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Basel Waste Solutions Circle is a global initiative to promote the protection of human health and livelihood through the environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes worldwide, as called for in the Bali Declaration on Waste Management for Human Health and Livelihood adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal at its ninth meeting, held in Bali, Indonesia, from 23 to 27 June 2008. It was launched on 17 November 2009 in Basel, Switzerland, at an event marking the 20th anniversary of the adoption of the Convention. The four founding members of the Circle are the past, current and future presidents of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the host Government of the diplomatic conference at which the Convention was adopted in 1989: the Governments of Kenya, Indonesia, Colombia and Switzerland.

Through decision BC-10/26, The Parties requests the Bureau, together with one representative of the business and industry sector and one representative of the civil society sector, to serve as the Circle's admissions and awards committee; Invites the business and industry sector and the civil society sector to nominate one representative each to serve on the committee; Requests the committee further to elaborate the Circle's modalities, taking into account, as appropriate, the draft Circle concept; and Requests the Secretariat to report on the implementation of the present decision to the Open-ended Working Group at its eighth session.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE FUNDED:

- · Organization of a press event to announce the relaunch of the Basel Waste Solutions Circle
- Organization of the Admissions and Awards Committee of the Basel Waste Solution Circle and awards ceremony at Basel COP11.
- Media services including production of Public Service Announcements to advertise the Circle. Expenses include: procurement of the awards (trophy), production of Public Service Announcement(s). Hospitality at Awards event. Professional media marketing services would be sought pro bono.

RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED:

- Increased media and public visibility and support for the Basel Convention;
- Increased visibility and participation in the Basel Waste Solutions Circle;
- Basel Waste Solutions Circle awards ceremony at Basel COP11.

BUDGET [USD]

BUDGET COMPONENTS	
Media services - Professional services (Camera, Sound, Post-production) 5,000 - Equipment/studio rental 1,500 - Logistics/local transport 1,500	7,000
Trophies (4) X (500 USD)	2,000
Hospitality	1,500
Contingency	2, 000
TOTAL FUNDS TO BE RAISED FOR PROPOSED ACTIVITIES	12,500
COP APPROVED BUDGET (BD, RV, SV trust funds)	182,000