

BASEL, ROTTERDAM AND STOCKHOLM CONVENTIONS

PROJECT CONCEPT NOTE

CONVENTIONS :		PROJECT TITLE :	
<input type="checkbox"/> BC <input type="checkbox"/> RC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SC <input type="checkbox"/> SYN		Development, revision and update of Guidance on National Implementation Plans (NIPs) under the Stockholm Convention	
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	Parties to the Stockholm Convention
Project start date: 01/01/2016		Project completion date: 31/12/2017	Total duration: 24 months
LEGAL BASIS AND MANDATE			
POW 16 (SC) for 2016-2017: Training and capacity-building activities to enhance the implementation of the Stockholm Convention at the regional level Decisions SC-7/10 on Implementation plans and SC-7/16 on Technical assistance Article 7 on Implementation plans and Article 12 on Technical Assistance			
BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND PROJECT JUSTIFICATION			
<p>A number of guidance documents have been developed to help parties develop and update their NIPs, relating to the overall process, specific phases of the process (such as action plans) or to specific chemicals (such as establishing inventories of PFOS or BDEs). Three guidance documents have been revised and updated in 2014 (those included in Part A of the annex to decision SC-7/10) while six more were not revised due to lack of funding, despite the Secretariat having received comments from parties to update the documents and make them more useful. Among these six documents (included in Part B of the annex to decision SC-7/10), some are quite recent while others are much older, and would thus urgently request an update. Decision SC-7/10 requests the Secretariat, subject to the availability of resources, to update the guidance documents listed in parts A and B of the annex, as appropriate.</p>			
PROPOSED ACTIVITIES			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Engagement of a consultant to revise and update the existing guidance on implementation plans and inventories of new POPs and develop relevant training materials to be used in workshops and other training activities such as webinars and online meetings: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Guidance for developing a National Implementation plan for the Stockholm Convention on persistent organic pollutants (draft, updated in 2014); (b) Draft guidance for the inventory of perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) and related chemicals listed under the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (2015); (c) Draft guidance for the inventory of polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs) listed under the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (2015); (d) Draft guidance on Socio-Economic Assessment for National Implementation Plan Development and Implementation under the Stockholm Convention (2007); (e) Draft guidance on calculation of action plan costs for specific persistent organic pollutants (2012); (f) Draft guidance for the control of the import and export of persistent organic pollutants (2012); (g) Labelling of products or articles that contain persistent organic pollutants – initial considerations (draft, 2012); (h) Draft guidance on sampling, screening and analysis of persistent organic pollutants in products and articles (2013); (i) Draft guidance for the identification, inventory and substitution of hexabromocyclododecane (2015). 2. Engagement of a consultant to develop inventory guidance to address polychlorinated naphthalenes, hexachlorobutadiene and pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters, listed in Annex A in 2015 by the Seventh Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (<i>the unintentional production of polychlorinated naphthalenes, also listed in Annex C, is already addressed under the toolkit</i>). The consultant would also develop relevant training materials to be used in workshops and other training activities such as webinars and online meetings. 			

RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED	
<p>Expected results:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Guidance to review and update NIPs is revised and updated; 2. New guidance documents are developed to address the listing of HBCD, Polychlorinated naphthalenes, HCBD and PCP; 3. More revised and updated NIPs are submitted and the Stockholm Convention is better implemented in the countries. <p>Indicator of success: Guidance is available and used by parties to revise and update their NIPs.</p> <p>Means of verification: Guidance is posted on the website, along with National Implementation Plans newly submitted by Parties.</p>	
PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY AND REPLICABILITY	
<p>The sound management of POPs, which is the final purpose of developing and implementing National Implementation Plans, reduces exposure to these chemicals. This project would contribute to Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3 on ensuring healthy lives (specifically Target 3.9: by 2030 substantially reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination), as well as SDG 12 on ensuring sustainable consumption and production patterns (specifically Target 12.4: by 2020 achieve environmentally sound management of chemicals and all wastes throughout their lifecycle and minimizing their adverse impacts on human health and the environment).</p> <p>For the most part, Parties are already working on updating and revising their National Implementation Plans following the listing of new chemicals. Therefore, the NIPs are incorporated in their Sustainable Development agenda and fundraising strategy. Certain aspects are replicable, as long as they can be tailored to specific realities.</p>	
GENDER MAINSTREAMING	
<p>The sound management of POPs, which is the final purpose of developing and implementing National Implementation Plans, allows to reduce exposure to these chemicals and thus improve the health of vulnerable groups, such as women and children.</p> <p>All activities under this project will take into consideration social issues and gender equality. Gender will be considered when specific activities are designed and during their implementation and evaluation. A basic gender analysis will be conducted for gender relevant activities as part of the design phase.</p>	
OUTREACH AND INFORMATION SHARING	
<p>Already existing Guidance documents will be updated with comments from Parties and new Guidance documents will be prepared related to POPs listed in 2015. Once the project advances, information will be shared on the website.</p>	
BUDGET [USD] FOR 2016-2017	
STAFF PERSONNEL	139,200
CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	420
TRAVEL	-
EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES, FURNITURE	-
OTHER OPERATIONAL COSTS	-
GRANTS OUT	-
DIRECT PROJECT COST OPERATIONAL BUDGET	139,620
<i>Programme Support Costs (PSC) 13%</i>	<i>18,151</i>
TOTAL OPERATIONAL BUDGET	157,771