



Economy Division



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Subject: Invitation to support Strategic Approach regional meetings and the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the intersessional process considering the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020.

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management, a global multi-stakeholder policy framework aimed at minimizing significant adverse effects of chemicals on human health and the environment by 2020. As we approach 2020, it is a critical period to continue the momentum and commitment towards meeting the Strategic Approach 2020 goal and to support Strategic Approach stakeholders in the intersessional process considering the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020.

Early 2018 will be an intense period for the Strategic Approach, with regional meetings planned for January and February 2018 and the second meeting of the intersessional process considering the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 planned for March 2018. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that the indicative budget set out for the regional meetings is USD 360,000 and the indicative budget set out for the second meeting of the intersessional process is USD 150,000, as agreed by the International Conference on Chemicals Management at its fourth session.

While we are grateful for the contributions made by our donors, the pledges received to-date fall short of the amount required to successfully organize these important meetings. In addition, the secretariat estimates that the actual costs for regional meetings is likely to exceed the amount set out in the indicative budget set by the Conference. We hope that it will be possible for Governments and organizations to contribute to the cost of these important Strategic Approach efforts. The amount will cover costs associated with the meeting venue, conference services and travel and subsistence support for participants from developing and transition economy countries and non-government organizations. In addition, we would welcome your contributions to the Strategic Approach secretariat in order to meet its core functions for the upcoming period.



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For further information on funding needs, please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat at [saicm.chemicals@unep.org](mailto:saicm.chemicals@unep.org).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jacob Duer'.

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To: Focal points for the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management