

## Special Event on Biodiversity Linkages

Tuesday, 1 October 2019, 18:00 – 20:00, Meeting Room H (cocktail menu provided)

*Third meeting of the intersessional process considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020*

The special event will serve as an opportunity to explore the linkages between biodiversity and the sound management of chemicals and waste, including action at the national and international levels to strengthen coordination and cooperation between these clusters. Participants are invited to consult among others the chapter on biodiversity in 'SAICM/IP.3/8 - Draft assessment on linkages with other clusters related to chemicals and waste management and options to coordinate and cooperate on areas of common interest'.

| Time   | Item  | Speakers   |
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| 5 min  | Welcome and introduction  | UNEP   |
| <i>Session 1: By providing concrete examples, what are the substantive linkages between biodiversity and chemicals and waste and how can these be translated into complementary or common targets and indicators?</i>  |   |  |
| 35 min   | Substantive linkages between biodiversity and chemicals and waste: agricultural sector perspectives and opportunities | Interventions from the floor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Claudia ten Have, Minamata Secretariat</li> <li>• Meriel Watts, Pesticide Action Network (PAN) Asia Pacific</li> <li>• Christoph Neumann, Croplife International</li> </ul> |
|  | Linkages between targets and indicators in the biodiversity and chemicals and waste clusters now and beyond 2020      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre</li> </ul>  |
|  | Open discussion   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All participants</li> </ul>   |
| <i>Session 2: Which concrete steps are needed to facilitate cooperation in the biodiversity and chemicals and waste international policy processes, including beyond 2020?</i>   |   |  |
| 35 min   | Overview of linkages between the beyond 2020 and biodiversity post-2020 processes                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre</li> </ul>  |
|  | Opportunities and low hanging fruits: country perspective   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alejandra Acosta, Secretariat of Environment of Argentina</li> </ul>  |
|  | Open discussion   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All participants</li> </ul>   |
| <i>Session 3: Considering the draft assessment on linkages and options to coordinate and cooperate, which concrete options for coordination and cooperation already exist at national and international level and how can existing ones be strengthened?</i> |   |  |
| 35 min   | Insights from the draft assessment on linkages and options to coordinate and cooperate                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNEP Chemicals and Health Branch</li> </ul>   |
|  | Perspectives from secretariats of chemicals and waste conventions   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maria Cristina Cardenas Fischer, Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions</li> </ul>   |
|  | Open discussion   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All participants</li> </ul>   |
| <i>Closing</i>   |   |  |
| 10 min   | Summary of key insights and next steps  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNEP</li> </ul>   |

