



INPUTS FROM WELFARE TOGO
With regard to the ICCM5 HLD
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- What would you consider the most important aspects and key messages for strengthening the sound management of chemicals and waste and political commitment for a just and resilient world that require anchoring in an HLD?

i. Key political messages

- The current status of SMCW does not facilitate successful realization of the SDGs; SMCW is not yet an integral part of the implementation programs.
- The Global Chemicals Outlook Report II states clearly that the global goal to minimize adverse impacts of chemicals and waste will not be achieved by 2020 as anticipated in the Johannesburg Plan of Action and as supported by the Dubai Declaration.
- The current status of SMCW cannot provide support needed for tackling the critical global environmental challenges of pollution, loss of biodiversity and climate change.
- The current status of SMCW cannot assist in the fight against pollution of marine ecosystems.
- Extending and strengthening SAICM is critical as the world is passing through new as well as extremely severe hazardous substances and wastes challenges that are expected to last for many years beyond the lifecycle of SAICM.
- Urgent actions are needed before we pass the point of no return.

- What should the scope, key elements and messages of the ICCM5 HLD cover? Considering, inter alia: o The current context (COVID-19, economic recovery interventions, and the need to make significant progress on SMCW). o The enhanced contribution of the SMCW to implement the 2030 Agenda and address present and future needs. o Progress in efforts undertaken to date, and critical gaps to be addressed.

Some key messages should include:

- The additional challenges that Covid 19 has added to SMCW and how this challenge can be addressed.
- Financing SMCW through a combination of mechanisms and the establishment of a Global Fund
- Strengthening information access and sharing including popularizing the GHS
- Strengthening the SAICM Secretariat
- Strengthening coordination between UNE institutions
- Strengthening the process that led to the production of the GCO (Global Chemicals Outlook) through proper financing, opening up the process to all stakeholders, inclusion of emerging challenges e.g. that of marine litter, plastics and microplastics, etc.
- Adoption of targets and indicators for achieving the SMCW for each of the 17 SDGs

- How should the ICCM5 HLD be structured, including participation, responsibilities, and processes to address current challenges

I think the HLD should be brief and propose request the UNE and the SAICM Secretariat to initiate a multi-stakeholder process for the purpose of providing guidance to Parties and Observers on how best can SMCW be improved to address the 3 critical environmental challenges of Climate Change, Loss of Biodiversity and Pollution by 2050. This can be called THE 2050 SMCW PROGRAMME.