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National Implementation of SAICM:


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The Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) was established in 1995 following recommendations made by the 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development to strengthen cooperation and increase international coordination in the field of chemical safety. The Participating Organizations are FAO, ILO, UNDP, UNEP, UNIDO, UNITAR, WHO, World Bank and OECD. The purpose of the IOMC is to promote coordination of the policies and activities pursued by the Participating Organizations, jointly or separately, to achieve the sound management of chemicals in relation to human health and the environment.
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1. **Purpose and Overview of the Document**

Following adoption of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) at the International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM) in February 2006, countries have initiated implementation of SAICM, including development of national SAICM implementation plans. To inform country deliberations and related capacity building initiatives, the participating organizations (POs) of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) have prepared this Guide. It raises issues countries may want to consider in preparing for, developing, and implementing their SAICM implementation plans and points to existing resources, guidance and training materials available through IOMC POs for particular SAICM work areas.1

The IOMC recognizes that countries are starting from different stages of development with regards to their national programmes for the sound management of chemicals and will therefore have different requirements for guidance materials and tools to assist the implementation process. Furthermore, countries will have different priorities for strengthening their capacities for the sound management of chemicals, priorities that may be captured under the specific work areas. These factors generate a demand for a flexible resource guide that allows countries to identify and access a portfolio of materials tailored to suit their specific needs in planning for the implementation of SAICM.

The structure of the document is as follows. Following this introduction, section 2 summarizes relevant programmes of the IOMC organizations. Section 3 provides a brief summary of SAICM, including a review of the main outcomes of SAICM as contained in the three key texts agreed upon at the ICCM, the Dubai Declaration, the Overarching Policy Strategy (OPS) and the Global Plan of Action (GPA). Section 4 points to resource documents relevant to developing an enabling platform—or governance framework—at the national level for effective and coordinated SAICM implementation. Issues addressed in this section include: integrating chemicals management into national development priorities; developing a sound institutional and programmatic national framework; effective project planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation; legislation and enforcement; and involvement of the private sector and civil society. Finally, section 5 focuses on specific substantive topics for strengthening chemicals management issues included in SAICM.

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1 The materials included in this document have been developed by the participating organizations of the IOMC. This 2012 edition is an update of the original 2008 edition. The participating organizations are the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the International Labour Organization (ILO), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the World Health Organization (WHO), the World Bank and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).
2. **OVERVIEW OF RELEVANT PROGRAMMES OF IOMC PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS**

2.1 **FAO**

The FAO has a mandate for international cooperation to raise levels of nutrition and standards of living, to improve agricultural productivity, and to better the condition of rural people. The FAO Conference, which meets every two years, is the supreme governing body of the FAO. FAO has a system of regional and country offices that play an important role in the design and delivery of capacity building activities. Plant Protection posts exist in the Regional Offices in Africa (Ghana), Asia and the Pacific (Thailand), Latin America (Chile), and the Near East (Cairo), and in the sub-regional offices in Addis Ababa, Ankara, Barbados, Budapest, Harare, Libreville, Panama, Western Samoa, and Tunis. At FAO Headquarters in Rome, of particular relevance are FAO’s Plant Protection Service (which also hosts the Joint Rotterdam Convention Secretariat with UNEP Chemicals, Geneva) and FAO’s Legal Office, as well as its Technical Co-operation Department which facilitates direct assistance/capacity building to developing countries through its Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP).

2.1.1 **Pesticide Risk Reduction Group, AGPMC**

The Pesticide Risk Reduction Group (AGPMC), part of the Plant Production and Protection Division of the Agriculture Department, addresses international aspects of plant protection and closely cooperates with regional and national plant protection organizations and programmes. The programme addresses plant quarantine in the Secretariat to the International Plant Protection Convention, setting standards, exchanging information and fostering cooperation. Concerning pesticide management, the programme promotes the implementation of the International Code of Conduct on the Distribution and Use of Pesticides; it implements with UNEP the Rotterdam Convention and, with WHO, makes recommendations for maximum residue levels as well as for pesticide specifications. On pest management, the Service supports the establishment of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) strategies and hosts the Global IPM-Facility consisting of FAO, UNDP, UNEP and the World Bank.

**Pesticide Management and Implementation of the Code of Conduct:** The Pesticide Risk Reduction Group (PRRG) covers a wide range of capacity building activities, which include development of national pesticide registration and control schemes; strengthening of national technical and physical facilities to enforce pesticide regulatory schemes more effectively; provision of various types of training on the appropriate and efficient use of pesticides for farmers, extension workers, retailers and medical personnel; facilitating computerised exchange of information and networking on pesticides, regulatory issues and on other technical matters among cooperating countries; and undertaking national and regional survey missions on laboratory infrastructures for pesticide analysis and helping to establish/strengthen such infrastructures.

PRRG also provides, through standard setting bodies on pesticides, references for countries on limits of pesticide residues and for pesticide product quality. The Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) is the scientific body for the establishment of

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CODEX maximum residue limits for pesticides. The Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide Specifications (JMPS) develops international quality criteria for pesticides used in agriculture and public health so that the quality of products can be judged either for regulatory purposes or in commercial dealings. Thus the specifications help to reduce the trade, sale and use of inferior pesticide products Many countries, industrialized and developing ones, adopt these international standards as their national standards.

**Prevention and Disposal of Obsolete Pesticides**: FAO is the only UN-agency with a programme aiming at enabling countries to dispose of obsolete pesticide (chemical) stocks and to prevent further accumulation of such stocks. The FAO Obsolete Pesticides Project, initiated through Dutch trust funds, maintains the world-wide inventory on obsolete pesticides, which today is estimated to amount to 500,000t. FAO/AGPP has executed various disposal operations in Africa, Latin America and the Near East supported by various donor countries and agencies. This unit was instrumental in the creation and implementation of the African Stockpiles Programme (ASP) and is continuing the programme of support to African countries, Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia, Caribbean and Pacific and Asia for the elimination and prevention of obsolete pesticides, with GEF, EU and bilateral donor support.

**Integrated Pest Management (IPM)**: AGPP supports the establishment of IPM programmes, including the application of biological control and weed management. IPM increases the sustainability of farming systems, and IPM programmes are considered economically sustainable as they reduce farmers’ dependence on procured inputs such as pesticides. FAO promotes IPM through awareness raising and support to the development of field programs and policy reform.

IPM is a key element of FAO’s approach to Sustainable Crop Production Intensification (SCPI) which is encompassed in the publication Save and Grow. This approach promotes production systems that conserve natural resources and use agricultural methods that build on ecological processes. Substantial IPM based programmes are currently being implemented in South East Asia, the Near East and North Africa and West Africa, with national projects in many other countries.

**Secretariat of the Rotterdam Convention**: The Secretariat for the Rotterdam Convention is collocated at FAO AGPMR in Rome and with UNEP Chemicals in Geneva.

2.1.2 FAO Legal Office

FAO’s Legal Office provides legal advisory services to governments on a range of issues, including plant protection and pesticides registration. Working with the technical services of FAO, it helps governments prepare laws, regulations, agreements and other legal texts, advises on institutional structures and compliance with international law. An element of most advisory projects is capacity building through participatory training of national officials and consultants.

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5 See [http://www.pic.int](http://www.pic.int)
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2.1.3 FAO Technical Cooperation Department

Through its Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP), FAO allocates limited resources to its member states to meet the most pressing development needs in agriculture. On pesticide matters technical assistance has been provided for various areas supporting capacity building, such as drafting pesticide legislation, strengthening pesticide management and control capacities, building laboratory capacity or facilitating pesticide disposal operations. The Technical Cooperation Programme also liaises with donors from governments, international institutions and the private sector to mobilize and direct resources to prioritized country needs. In many situations such projects include elements on pesticide management in the context of sustainable crop production intensification.

2.2 ILO

The International Labour Organization is a UN specialised agency that seeks the promotion of social justice and internationally recognised human and labour rights. The ILO formulates international labour standards in the form of Conventions and Recommendations, setting minimum standards of basic labour rights. The member States of the ILO meet at the International Labour Conference in June of each year in Geneva. The Conference establishes and adopts international labour standards, and elects the Governing Body which is the executive council of the ILO.

ILO capacity building activities for sound chemicals management are integrated within its overall activities for occupational safety and health and are undertaken in the context of the ILO Infocus Programme on Safety and Health at Work and the Environment (Safework).

2.2.1 Safework

While based in Geneva, Safework works through a decentralised network of occupational safety and health experts in the field to facilitate cooperation and elaborate international standards and instruments to establish the minimum levels that should be reached and maintained (e.g. ILO Convention 170). Regional and country field programmes and offices are in place in all regions of the world. For practical improvements for workplace chemical safety, the participation of workers and employers at the national level in the formulation of national policy is essential. Also at the enterprise level, worker-management collaboration is critical. SafeWork promotes such collaboration at the national and enterprise levels. Safework technical cooperation activities assist to implement these instruments at the national level with the aim to improve working conditions at the work place.

Technical cooperation projects, and regional training seminars and symposia, have been held in all the developing and transition regions. Assistance is provided, for example, to:

- Promote and aid in the implementation of the globally harmonised systems for classification and labelling (GHS) as part of the UNITAR/ILO Global GHS Capacity Building Programme;
- Develop legislation, strengthen national institutions through training;
- Translate documentation related to occupational safety and health into local languages;

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7 See http://www.fao.org/tc
8 See http://www.ilo.org
• Promote the use of international chemical safety cards (ICSCs);
• Use Training Modules on Chemical Safety in order to introduce safe use of chemicals at places of work, to present classification systems for the labelling and transport of dangerous goods, to allow the reading and use of chemical safety cards, to give a basic overview of toxicology, and to disseminate information on selected, widely-used hazardous substances; and
• Provide special support to developing countries in the form of technical cooperation projects, as well as the provision of safety and health information, via the International Occupational Safety and Health Information Centre’s (CIS) network.

2.3 UNDP

UNDP promotes the sound management of chemicals as an important component of the global poverty reduction effort. In line with its role as the UN’s development network, UNDP advocates the importance of addressing issues related to chemicals management and chemically linked pollution in developing countries by encouraging integration of rigorous chemicals management schemes into MDG-based national development policies and plans. UNDP also works with countries to identify necessary resources and sources of funding to improve their chemicals management regimes to achieve desired results.

Within the framework of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM), UNDP advocates for the integration of sound chemicals management priorities into national environmental and poverty reduction planning frameworks and helps countries access resources to improve their chemical and waste regimes.

UNDP uses a global network on the ground in 177 countries to help the UN system and its partners to raise awareness and track progress, while it connects countries to the knowledge and resources needed to achieve MDGs. The UNDP Executive Board is made up of representatives from 36 countries around the world, who serve on a rotating basis and meet three times per year.

With the support of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the Multilateral Fund (MLF) for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol, UNDP’s Environment and Energy Thematic Trust Fund, the SAICM Quick Start Programme Trust Fund (QSPTF) and various other donors and partners, UNDP helps countries reduce the vulnerability of their poor to health and environmental stresses; facilitates the integration of environmental issues into national environmental and poverty reduction planning frameworks; and helps increase access to the best available and affordable alternative technologies.

UNDP chemicals-related capacity building activities are mainly coordinated by the Energy and Environment Group, more specifically by the Montreal Protocol Unit / Chemicals. Chemicals Management activities are implemented in close cooperation with UNDP’s Country Offices.

UNDP helps countries to improve their chemicals management and attain the MDGs by providing assistance in the following areas:

• Integrate the sound management of chemicals into national development plans and policies;

10 See http://www.undp.org
• Manage chemicals of particular concern for pro-poor policies (POPs, ODS, heavy metals and others); and
• Strengthen national capacities on integrated waste management, including waste prevention, reuse and recycling, and disposing a range of waste streams.

2.3.1 Integrating Sound Management of Chemicals into National Development Planning

To improve their chemicals management regime, UNDP assists countries to integrate the Sound Management of Chemicals (SMC) into national development plans and strategies through:

• Provision of technical guidance, and
• Assistance in catalyzing environmental finance.

The UNDP Guide for Integrating the Sound Management of Chemicals into MDG-Based Development Planning\(^\text{11}\) provides a systematic approach to countries to help assess their capacity for sound management of chemicals, identify needs, and ultimately integrate identified priorities into national MDG-based development policies and plans. The UNDP Guide is based on applied, practical experience accumulated in a number of pilot countries under the UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative.

UNDP-supported activities entail:

• Baseline analysis to determine the degree of integration of SMC into national development planning and to assess the adequacy of such strategies in terms of protecting the environment and human health;
• In-depth assessment of national chemical management issues relevant to national development planning;
• Identification of chemicals management opportunities likely to result in concrete environmental, health and economic benefits as a result of introducing sound management practices and determination to what extent these could be integrated into national MDG-based development planning;
• Determination of economic costs and benefits of SMC interventions (such as policy/regulatory options, SMC practices, etc.);
• Developing policy and regulatory frameworks to facilitate the implementation of selected priorities and their subsequent integration; and
• Improving the integration of chemicals management priorities into national discussions, development processes, policies and plans.

These activities are not only targeted at influencing national plans, but also at sector strategies and local level implementation. The overall aim is to establish enduring institutional processes within government ministries and the wider stakeholder community to bring about the sound management of chemicals – focusing on the government bodies responsible for poverty reduction and growth policies, while strengthening the role of environmental agencies and non-governmental actors. The process also entails fostering national budget commitments, in partnership with donor assistance, following the integration of chemical management priorities into national policy and planning documents.

2.3.2 Managing Chemicals of Concern (Persistent Organic Pollutants, Ozone Depleting Substances, Heavy Metals)

There is an established link between poverty and the increased risk of exposure to toxic and hazardous chemicals. Exposure of poor people to toxic chemicals is often strongly correlated to geography. In urban settings, low-income or minority populations typically reside in neighborhoods considered undesirable, such as areas adjacent to industrial zones. These places can be major sources of environmental exposure to toxic chemicals, originating from factories, landfill sites, incinerators, and/or hazardous waste dumps (with controlled or uncontrolled leakage).

In rural areas, where three-quarters of the world’s poor live, most chemical exposure is linked to pollution brought by waterways as well as the use of pesticides in agriculture. The improper use, management, and storage of pesticides and chemical fertilizers can result in contamination of air, food, soil, and drinking water (e.g. through pesticide and nitrate run-off), leading to increased human exposure and associated health risks.

Certain groups of chemical substances are of particular concern for poor and vulnerable population groups as well as the environment which provides these communities with livelihoods.

UNDP’s work prioritizes the sound management of such groups of substances including:

**Persistent Organic Pollutants**

With grants from the Global Environment Facility (GEF), UNDP is supporting the implementation of POPs projects in more than 50 countries world-wide, addressing a variety of national and Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants priorities, as well as GEF Strategic Objectives.

UNDP supports the reduction and elimination of all types of POPs contaminants included under the Stockholm Convention, covering a multitude of sectors and activities:

- Updating of National Implementation Plans (NIPs);
- Sound management and disposal of POPs pesticides, including the promotion and introduction of POPs-free alternatives;
- Sound management of PCB stockpiles, including inventories, sound disposal, strengthening of legal frameworks and enforcement capacity;
- Reducing releases of unintentional POPs (UPOPs) and brominated flame-retardants resulting from unsound waste management processes/practices as well as recycling operations (e.g. e-waste, health-care and municipal waste etc.);
- Gradual implementation of best available techniques (BAT) and best environmental practices (BEP) for existing as well as new POPs sources; and
- Minimization of exposure levels of communities living close to contaminated areas.
- Incorporating POPs issues into national development planning processes, and analyzing country development strategies to ensure that there is no increased POPs burden.

Wherever possible and appropriate, UNDP POPs activities are undertaken within a country’s framework for sound management of chemicals, to ensure national coordination among chemicals-related activities in support of regional or global conventions and agreements on chemicals.
Ozone Depleting Substances

UNDP provides financial and technical assistance to developing countries and countries with economies in transition to protect the ozone layer and safeguard the global climate.

With the financial support of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol (MLF), the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and bi-lateral donors, UNDP helps countries to meet their commitments under the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, phase-out HCFCs and introduce Ozone and Climate friendly alternatives through:

- Institutional capacity development;
- Policy and regulatory interventions;
- Validation and demonstration of alternative technologies (low carbon, zero ODP); and.
- Setting-up national financial mechanisms to access, combine and sequence different sources of environmental financing funding to meet Montreal Protocol compliance and address climate co-benefits.

Since 1992, UNDP has implemented 2,200 projects in 124 countries. UNDP’s portfolio of ozone-related projects has a cumulative total value exceeding US$ 643 million and to date has prevented the release of over 68,000 tonnes of ODS into the atmosphere.

Heavy Metals

To protect public health and the global environment from the impacts of heavy metals, such as mercury and lead, UNDP, with financial support from the Multilateral Fund, GEF and bi-lateral donors, is supporting countries through the following means:

- Advocating for and supporting the phase-out of mercury containing products from the healthcare sector (e.g. thermometers and sphygmomanometers) in Argentina, India, Latvia, Lebanon, Philippines, Senegal and Vietnam, among other countries;
- Conducting country-specific assessments of electronic and electric waste streams and its processing, including waste components of particular concern, such as mercury and lead, and subsequently putting in place plans to manage this waste in an environmentally sound manner;
- Introducing management schemes that support the waste aspects of obsolete equipment (including mercury waste stream), which arise when more environmentally friendly and energy efficient appliances are being introduced (e.g. as a result of refrigerator replacement programmes);
- Introduction of Best Environmental Practices (BEP) and Best Available Technologies (BAT) to e-waste processing to avoid harmful releases of heavy metals and other hazardous substances; and
- Policy and regulatory interventions.

2.3.3 Chemicals Waste Management

Reducing UPOPs Emissions from Uncontrolled Waste Burning

With GEF grants and in support of the Stockholm Convention, UNDP supports initiatives in the field of non-hazardous waste management that aim to reduce releases of Unintentional Persistent Organic Pollutants (UPOPs). Such emissions result from the uncontrolled and
indiscriminate burning of household waste posing significant threats to human and environmental health.

 Particularly in countries where large volumes of municipal waste are generated on a daily basis and where sound waste management systems do not exist or are limited, municipal waste is often uncontrollably burned at dump sites and landfills in order to recuperate valuable waste streams (e.g. metals) as well as to compact waste volumes.

 To address challenges with respect to waste management and to reduce UPOPS emissions, UNDP provides developing countries and their cities with planning and policy advice as well as technical assistance focusing on UPOPs reduction from uncontrolled burning. As a part of national efforts to establish Integrated Waste Management Strategies, the recuperation, recycling and marketing of valuable waste streams is an integral part.

**Programmes on Hazardous Waste Streams**

In addition to the overall support for general waste management, mostly with grants from the Global Environment Facility (GEF), UNDP implements programmes managing a number of hazardous waste streams that are particularly problematic due to their human health and environmental consequences. Such waste streams often concern past environmental liabilities, stockpiles of hazardous waste or highly contaminated sites, but also address obsolete consumer appliances and other special waste streams. In particular UNDP programmes cover:

**Management of PCB Containing Waste**

In spite of the cessation of production, PCBs continue to be a pollutant of major concern on an international scale. There are a substantial amount of PCBs still in use due to the long lifetime of power equipment, such as transformers, and the exemption made in many countries for their contained use until end-of-life of the equipment.

 To ensure that PCBs are managed in a way minimizing human exposure and environmental releases, UNDP supports sizeable PCB management programmes in the following ten countries: Argentina, Brazil, Ghana, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Mexico, Morocco, Slovak Republic and Uruguay.

**Obsolete Pesticides**

UNDP assists countries in the implementation of obsolete pesticides projects through building countries’ capacity to soundly manage and dispose of obsolete pesticides. UNDP is currently assisting a handful of countries, including China, Georgia, Honduras, Mauritius, Nicaragua and Vietnam with pesticide waste management initiatives. There are several multi-contaminant projects implemented by UNDP that include important obsolete pesticide components.

**Healthcare Waste Management**

A partnership between UNDP, the World Health Organization (WHO), and other major donors and stakeholders, is assisting several countries (including Argentina, India, Latvia, Lebanon, Philippines, Senegal and Vietnam, among others) in developing and maintaining
best healthcare waste management practices in ways that are both locally appropriate and globally replicable. The programme’s ultimate goal is protection of public health at the local level as well as the protecting the global environment from the impacts of dioxin and mercury releases.

2.4 **UNEP**

UNEP is a programme of the UN General Assembly and has a mandate for coordination, and integration, of actions within the UN with respect to problems relating to the environment and for integrating a large number of separate efforts by intergovernmental, non-governmental, national and regional bodies. The UNEP Governing Council is the principle governing and legislative body for UNEP and usually meets every two years.

UNEP’s activities on chemicals and waste are covered under its subprogramme on harmful substances and hazardous waste. The subprogramme assists countries and regions in managing the life cycles of chemicals substances and waste that could pose a threat to the environment and human health. For more than 30 years, UNEP’s work has supported initiatives related to specific chemicals or to critical elements of their life cycles. UNEP’s work includes efforts to reduce risks from mercury, heavy metals, pesticides, persistent organic pollutants (POPs) and other chemicals of global concern.

The activities are centred on the following three expected accomplishments:

1. Increased capacities of States and other stakeholders to assess, manage and reduce risks to human health and the environment posed by chemicals and hazardous waste;
2. Coherent international policy and technical advice provided to States and other stakeholders for managing chemicals and hazardous waste in a more environmentally sound manner, including through better technology and best practices; and
3. Appropriate policy and control systems for harmful substances of global concern are developed and being implemented in line with international obligations of States and mandates of relevant entities.

2.4.1 Increased capacities of States and other stakeholders to assess, manage and reduce risks to human health and the environment posed by chemicals and hazardous waste

The aim is to help countries to increase their capacities for sound management of chemicals and hazardous waste within a life cycle approach. It covers data collection, the assessment and management of chemicals, the implementation of scientifically designed hazardous waste management systems and the strengthening of chemical and hazardous waste legislation and regulatory frameworks. In collaboration with UNDP and other United Nations entities through relevant inter-agency processes, it will promote the mainstreaming of chemical safety in development agendas and the active involvement of all relevant sectors to achieve coherent and effective regulatory, voluntary and market-based policies at the national level and, when relevant, at the sub-regional level. It will also promote and facilitate public access to information and knowledge on chemicals and hazardous waste, including impacts on human health and the environment.

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12 See [http://www.unep.org](http://www.unep.org)
The activities under this expected accomplishment covers:

- Mainstreaming of sound management of chemicals in order to ensure attention and sustainable financing for sound management of chemicals and hazardous waste as part of development policies and plans;
- Information access and exchange in order to strengthening capacity to access and exchange national, regional and international information;
- Sound production and use of chemicals through developing, testing and transferring the technical tools, methodologies and frameworks necessary for the environmentally sound and safe production and use of chemicals;
- Small and medium sized enterprises (SME) partnerships for sound management of chemicals in order to build capacity of SMEs to manage the harmful substances they use and the hazardous waste they produce; and
- Environmentally sound management of chemicals through provision of technical tools for the environmentally sound management of hazardous waste.

2.4.2 **Coherent international policy and technical advice is provided to States and other stakeholders for managing harmful chemicals and hazardous waste in a more environmentally sound manner, including through better technology and best practices**

The aim is to advance the international agenda on chemicals through the implementation of the environmental component of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management, the subprogramme will support the development of policy- and science-based advice and guidelines to Governments and other stakeholders on risk assessment and management; raise awareness of potential adverse effects of chemicals, including hazardous waste; and address emerging issues. It will also contribute to the development of methodologies and tools for monitoring and evaluating progress in sound management of chemicals and hazardous waste.

The activities under this expected accomplishment covers:

- Secretariat support to the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM);
- Development of global assessment (e.g. the Global Chemicals Outlook) of the production, trade, use, impacts, management and control of harmful substances and hazardous waste to inform the international community;
- Risk assessment and management in order to reduce the risks posed by chemicals and hazardous waste through coherent risk assessment and life-cycle management approaches, methodologies and guidance;
- Destruction technologies through coherent information on technologies for the destruction of harmful substances and hazardous waste and policy frameworks for their implementation; and
- Reporting progress through provision of governments and the international community with the means to monitor, evaluate and report on progress towards sound management of harmful substances and hazardous waste.
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2.4.3 Appropriate policy and control systems for harmful substances of global concern are developed and in place in line with States international obligations and mandates of relevant entities

The aim is to support the development of internationally agreed chemical management regimes, particularly for mercury but also for other metals if requested by Governments, and to support the evolution of existing internationally agreed multilateral environmental agreements in the chemicals and waste cluster, the subprogramme will assist countries, multilateral environmental agreement secretariats and other stakeholders in their efforts to address highly hazardous substances. This will include assisting countries in the implementation and enforcement of chemical and hazardous waste-related multilateral environmental agreements and other international initiatives (for example, the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities) related to chemicals of global concern, such as mercury, persistent organic pollutants and ozone-depleting substances, and in addressing emerging issues related to chemicals and hazardous waste. In line with decision SS.X/1 of the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum, the strengthening of cooperation and coordination between the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal, the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade and the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants could contribute positively to the implementation of the principles defended by those Conventions for the management of harmful substances and hazardous waste, building on the agreement reached in Bali at the simultaneous extraordinary meetings of the Conferences of the Parties to those Conventions.

The activities under this expected accomplishment covers:

- Reducing the risks to environment and human health from anthropogenic releases of mercury;
- Addressing risks from lead and cadmium by reducing the anthropogenic uses of lead and cadmium in products and industry sectors that give rise to particular exposure concerns;
- Strengthening the chemicals and waste MEAs through provision of technical assistance to strengthen implementation and monitoring of the multilateral environmental agreements on chemicals and waste;
- Combating illegal trade in order to reduce illegal trafficking in harmful substances and hazardous waste, initially in the Asia-Pacific and West-Asia regions; and
- Supporting regional seas agreement to prevent the further degradation of the marine environment from harmful substances and hazardous waste derived from land based activities.

2.5 UNIDO

UNIDO is a specialised agency of the United Nations dedicated to promoting sustainable industrial development in developing countries and countries in economic transition. The General Conference, composed of all Member States, meets once every two years. The General Conference approves the work programme and budget of UNIDO, and reviews implementation of the programme, budget and General Conference decisions.

13 See [http://www.unido.org](http://www.unido.org)
Sound chemicals management is mainstreamed into UNIDO’s Green Industry strategy that focuses on decoupling resource use and waste generation from industrial development and promoting the growth of productive sectors and entrepreneurship in developing and transition countries. An important element of Green Industry is fundamentally about greening of all industry through resource efficient and cleaner production (RECP), with a long-term focus on continuously improving environmental performance and resource productivity of any enterprise, regardless of its sector, size or location.

Through optimization of the productive use of natural resources (materials, energy and water) by enterprises and other organizations, it is envisaged to prevent and/or minimize the generation of waste and emissions. At the same time, RECP leads to an improved use of chemicals and reduces the risks to people and communities from enterprises and other organizations and supporting their own development. Investigating and developing new services and business concepts such as Chemical Leasing for sound chemicals management and waste minimization is an inherent part of RECP.

UNIDO’s sound chemicals management activities are promoted mainly by its Environment Management Branch (EMB) and also the Montreal Protocol Branch (MPB).

2.5.1 Environmental Management Branch14

EMB includes three units:

- Cleaner and Sustainable Production Unit
- Stockholm Convention Unit
- Water Management Unit

Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production (RECP) Programme15

Within the Green Industry strategy and based on the experience gained from the Global Cleaner Production Programme, the UNIDO Cleaner and Sustainable Production Unit has developed, jointly with UNEP, the UNIDO-UNEP RECP programme, to address the need to promote the adaptation and adoption of RECP methods, technologies and systems by enterprises and other organizations in developing and transition countries. This includes RECP thematic applications, for example, in the field of safe and responsible production, which aims at developing, promoting and implementing responsible practices and technologies for chemical-intensive sectors of industry, including synthesis, formulation and application of industrial chemicals.

UNIDO, in close cooperation with the existing Cleaner Production Centres (CPCs), assist the enterprises from the national industrial priority sectors in the implementation of sound chemicals management. Specifically they build national capacity for the implementation of projects in RECP and sustainable chemicals management and provide technical assistance to their clients in the implementation of practical sustainable chemicals management activities. The assistance provided includes sound waste management through the minimization of waste generation and resource-efficiency, and the promotion of environmentally sound technologies. These activities are carried out taking into consideration all international chemicals-related conventions, agreements and initiatives.

14 See http://www.unido.org/doc/18260
15 See http://www.unido.org/doc/4460
Moreover, UNIDO assists countries in formulating sustainable industrial policies that encourage cleaner production and enhance and promote transfer of environmentally sound technologies. UNIDO supports sound chemicals management at source to prevent emissions of dangerous chemicals to the environment, reduce waste loads and promote cleaner treatment and disposal aiming at increasing productivity and facilitating market access. It provides capacity building and technical assistance at the governmental, institutional and enterprise level.

A global network for Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production (RECPnet) has been officially established, with the support of UNIDO and UNEP, in November 2010 by 41 inaugural signatories to its Charter. The global RECPnet is a not-for-profit initiative to bundle and utilize existing capacities of NCPCs and RECP service providers, which objective is to contribute to the effective promotion and implementation of RECP and to foster North-South and South-South collaboration and transfer of methods, policies and technologies.

**Chemical Leasing (ChL)**

UNIDO Cleaner and Sustainable Production Unit has launched in March 2005 a project to promote Chemical Leasing business models in developing and transition countries. Chemical Leasing is a service-oriented business approach to respond to the global changes in international policies of the chemical sector and encourages efficient chemicals management and innovation. The key element is a shift in paradigm away from the focus on increasing sales volume of chemicals towards a more service- and value-added approach. Within a ChL agreement, the users only pay for the services rendered by the chemicals (e.g for volume of water treated, number of parts painted, lengths of pipes cleaned, etc.) and not for the volume of chemicals consumed. The result can be seen in environmental advantages, enhanced resource efficiency as well as in consequential economic benefits for both chemicals suppliers and users of chemicals.

In 2007, UNIDO developed the first detailed definition of Chemical Leasing in close collaboration with the International Working Group on Chemical Leasing which includes representatives from governments, industry, the consultant sector, EU, UNEP and UNIDO.

UNIDO’s on-going projects in Brazil, Colombia, Croatia, Egypt, Mexico, Russia, Serbia, Sri Lanka, Uganda and Ukraine are implemented in close cooperation with the respective Cleaner Production Centres (CPCs) and show the applicability and impact of the concept to different industries. The main elements of the projects are awareness raising, national capacity building and demonstration projects. The CPCs play a crucial role in the process of identifying local companies and other relevant stakeholders and facilitating the project’s implementation.

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16 **UNIDO definition of chemical leasing:** Chemical leasing is a service-oriented business model that shifts the focus from increasing sales volume of chemicals, toward a value-added approach. The producer mainly sells the functions performed by the chemical and functional units are the main basis for payment. Functions performed by a chemical might include: number of pieces cleaned, amount of area coated, etc. Within chemical leasing business models, the responsibility of the producer and service provider is extended and may include the management of the entire life cycle. Chemical leasing strives for a win-win situation. It aims to increase the efficient use of chemicals while reducing the risks of chemicals, and protecting human health. It improves the economic and environmental performance of participating companies, and enhances their access to new markets.
Electronic Waste

UNIDO Cleaner and Sustainable Production Unit is implementing projects on e-waste in Uganda and Tanzania, covering all relevant stages of e-waste management: development of a detailed inventory to get an in-depth view on the situation in the concerned country; design of a take-back system to make sure a great percentage of obsolete EEE will reach the formal waste stream; establishment of a manual dismantling facility, where a first level recycling will take place, according to environmental and health standards. The facility will be connected to downstream partners on a national and international level to ensure appropriate treatment of all output fractions. As far as possible the fractions will be treated at national facilities; however the hazardous parts will most likely be exported to Europe or Asia for further end-processing at an international smelter.

UNIDO is lead member of the focal area on e-waste under the Global Partnership on Waste Management.

Sound management of mercury in Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining (ASGM) 17

UNIDO has been involved in this field since 1994 with active or past projects in about 20 countries. It is now widely recognised that the sector is the largest user and emitter of mercury to the environment. A global project financed by the GEF and implemented between 2002 and 2007 contributed to bring the issue in the forefront of the environmental discussions. UNIDO produced a number of guidelines during this project, including the “Protocols for Environmental and Health Assessment of Mercury Released by Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Miners” and the “UNIDO Technical Guidelines on mercury management in artisanal and small-scale gold mining”. The UNIDO approach is to educate the miners and mining communities on the risks of mercury use, to transfer cleaner and more efficient technologies that eliminate mercury emissions (close-circuit amalgamation) and, in the long term, transfer non-mercury techniques. This is accompanied by capacity building at the government level as well. Since 2008, UNIDO is the co-lead agency of the Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining area of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership. UNIDO is actively working with its partners to assist countries in addressing their ASGM issues adequately and to ensure that the issue is properly addressed in the forthcoming internationally binding agreement on mercury.

POPs

With regard to POps, UNIDO's services build up national capacities in the management of POPs and provide assistance to developing countries and countries with economies in transition in developing their national implementation plans (NIPs) as provided for in the Stockholm Convention. UNIDO has also developed several post-NIP projects in different areas such as introduction of BAT/BEP strategies to the industrial sector, Sound Management of PCBs and PCB wastes, removal of barriers for transfer on non-combustion technologies, management of sites contaminated with POPs, treatment and management of Medical wastes, strengthening institutions, regulations and enforcement capacities for effective and efficient implementation of the NIPs.

UNIDO endeavours to promote non-combustion technologies for the destruction of POPs waste and stockpiles through two pilot demonstration projects underway in Slovakia and the

17 See http://www.unido.org/en/doc/9668
Philippines. Promotion also extends through another global support project provided uniquely to NGOs in 40 countries to enable/maximize participation of NGOs in the NIPs development process and to eventually obtain ratification of the Stockholm Convention in these countries. Both projects are funded by the GEF.

2.5.2 Montreal Protocol Branch

UNIDO is an implementing agency for the Montreal Protocol Multilateral Fund and assists developing and transition countries under this service module to phase out ODS with assistance for policy, strategy and programme design; institutional support; and enterprise level technical assistance.

2.6 UNITAR

UNITAR is an autonomous body within the UN with a mandate to enhance the effectiveness of the UN through training and research. To meet this aim, UNITAR provides training to assist countries in meeting the challenges of the 21st century; conducts research to explore innovative training and capacity building approaches; and forms partnerships with other UN agencies, governments and NGOs for the development and implementation of training and capacity building programmes that meet countries’ needs. UNITAR is governed by a Board of Trustees (BOT) which provides overall guidance to the Institute, approves its work programme, and adopts its budget.

UNITAR’s Chemicals and Waste Management Programme (CWM) in Geneva emphasises cooperation among national stakeholders and international partner organizations in order to foster an integrated approach to chemicals management capacity building. UNITAR’s activities are exclusively funded through external resources.

2.6.1 Programmes to Facilitate Integrated Chemicals Management and SAICM Implementation

Infrastructure and Capacity Assessments: UNITAR provides guidance, training, and technical support to assist countries in assessing their existing legal, institutional, administrative, and technical infrastructure for sound chemicals management, analysing existing capacities, gaps and needs, and undertaking initial priority setting (e.g. National Profiles, GHS situation analysis).

Integrated National Programmes for Chemicals and Waste Management: UNITAR assists countries to establish and strengthen a collaborative framework at the national level which can provide a foundation for effective and coordinated action to address both national chemicals and waste management priorities as well as the implementation of international chemicals and wastes-related agreements and initiatives, including SAICM.

SAICM Enabling and Implementation Activities: UNITAR established a SAICM implementation programme in 2006 which began with a 2006-09 pilot phase, followed by a 2010-12 phase. In the pilot phase, country projects took place in Belarus, Mongolia, Pakistan, Panama, and Tanzania over a period of three years. The 2010-12 phase focused on

See http://www.unido.org/doc/5072
See http://www.unitar.org/cwm
strengthening capacities for sound chemicals management with an emphasis on assisting countries and regions with SAICM implementation, specifically nanotechnology and addressing challenges related to mercury. Core support for the programme is provided by the Government of Switzerland.

UNITAR also supports QSP Trust Fund projects. To date, UNITAR has been serving as the international executing agency for 81 projects supported by the QSP Trust Fund (Rounds 1-12). Projects cover a range of topics including, inter alia: National Profiles, National SAICM Capacity Assessments, national SAICM priority setting, strengthening national governance, national chemicals management databases, national policies for SAICM implementation, SAICM implementation plans, Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), and Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers (PRTR).

2.6.2 Specialised Training and Capacity-building Programmes

*Implementation of the GHS:* This UNITAR/ILO GHS programme provides guidance documents, training materials, expert training and educational, awareness-raising and resource materials regarding the GHS. UNITAR/ILO are the designated focal point for capacity building in the UN ECOSOC Subcommittee of Experts on the GHS (SCEGHS). UNITAR, along with ILO and OECD, also initiated at the WSSD the Global Partnership for Capacity Building to Implement the GHS.

*Design and Implementation of Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers (PRTR):* UNITAR assists countries in the design and implementation of national PRTR systems through multi-stakeholder processes and is implemented in cooperation with OECD and UNEP.

*Chemicals and Waste Convention Implementation:* UNITAR provides support to countries to implement the Basel, Rotterdam, and Stockholm Conventions. This includes assisting countries with Stockholm Convention National Implementation Plan development/updating and implementation; PCB elimination and POPs emissions reporting; and National Action Plan development, in cooperation with the Secretariat of the Rotterdam Convention. An information document on the linkages between the GHS and the chemicals and waste conventions is also under development.

*Nanotechnology/Manufactured Nanomaterials:* UNITAR has embarked with partners such as OECD, and within the framework of the IOMC, to raise awareness in countries about nanotechnology/manufactured nanomaterials, including the implications for developing and transition countries as nano-based or nano-containing products are traded across borders. Activities include a series of regional awareness-raising workshops for all UN developing and transition countries. UNITAR also supports pilot projects to assist countries to develop programmatic capacities to address nano issues at the national level.

*Mercury:* UNITAR supports projects in developing and transition countries to prepare mercury emissions inventories using UNEP’s Toolkit for Identification and Quantification of Mercury Emissions. In addition, UNITAR has provided countries with guidance to assist them to prepare national plans to reduce risks related to mercury.

UNITAR also executes a number of supporting services for capacity building, including the provision of “virtual libraries” on a variety of topics (National Profiles, GHS, PRTR) and the organization of global thematic workshops to facilitate an exchange of experience and to
identify practical steps which countries can take to systematically address certain topics of national chemicals management.

2.7 WHO

WHO, a specialised agency of the UN, strives for the attainment by all people of the highest levels of health, defined to include physical, mental and social well-being. The World Health Assembly, the supreme decision-making body of the WHO, meets once a year in May. In addition to its Headquarters, located in Geneva, WHO has six regional offices each with its own programme geared to the particular health problems of the countries it serves. Regional offices are governed by Regional Committees, with representatives of the countries in the region. There are also WHO country offices in most of the 194 Member States of the World Health Assembly.21

Capacity building activities of WHO related to chemical safety is undertaken largely through the International Programme on Chemical Safety (IPCS) and through regional offices and country offices. WHO/IPCS Programmes with a strong capacity building component include the following:

2.7.1 Chemical Safety at WHO Headquarters

Poisons centres and emergency response22: The IPCS programme on Poisoning Prevention and Management seeks to build capacity in countries to prevent and manage human exposures to chemicals.

IPCS INTOX Project23: Through a worldwide network of poison centres, first-aid and clinical management information are offered on a 24-hour basis. In addition, IPCS is responsible for the organization of a number of training courses throughout the world. Training courses are also carried out in coordination with WHO Regional Offices and organizations with an interest in this area.

Chemical Incidents: Training to countries is provided on the public health management of chemical incidents in accordance with the International Health Regulations (2005), including prevention, preparedness, detection and alert, response and recovery.

Risk Assessment24: The WHO develops chemical risk assessment methodologies, conducts risk assessments of chemicals and provides training to strengthen capacities for human health risk assessment in countries. delivers training in chemical risk assessment.

Pesticides for Public Health: The WHO Pesticide Evaluation Scheme (WHOPES) was set up in 1960. WHOPES promotes and coordinates the testing and evaluation of pesticides for public health. It functions through the participation of representatives of governments, manufacturers of pesticides and pesticide application equipment, WHO Collaborating Centres and research institutions.

20 See http://www.who.int
21 See http://www.who.int/countries/en
22 See http://www.who.int/ipcs/capacity_building/poisons/en
23 See http://www.who.int/ipcs/poisons/intox/en
24 See http://www.who.int/health_topics/risk_assessment/en
2.8 World Bank

The mission of the World Bank is to fight poverty and improve living standards of people in the developing world. As a financier of development and poverty reduction initiatives, the Bank provides lending and non-lending services, policy advice, technical assistance and knowledge to low and middle income countries for health, agriculture, infrastructure, energy, waste management and many other purposes. Capacity building for chemicals management under the Bank takes place within larger projects and programs in related sectors; through analytical and advisory assistance; and via chemicals-based projects funded through trust funds, global partnerships and international environmental financial mechanisms.

The World Bank Group’s Environment Strategy 2012-2022 lays out an ambitious agenda to support ‘green, clean, resilient’ paths for developing countries, as they pursue poverty reduction and development in an increasingly fragile environment. Recognizing that countries cannot ‘grow dirty and clean up later’, the Bank Group is encouraging low-emission development strategies and innovative financing for renewable energies, climate-smart agriculture, and lower-carbon cities. It is also supporting pollution management through river clean-up and legacy pollution projects, using carbon finance funds to scale up use of cleaner stoves to reduce indoor pollution for women and children, and developing partnerships with the private sector to spur cleaner production standards and strategies.

A key element of the World Bank’s assistance is to help build capacity and transfer good technical and policy practices. This is achieved through systematic priority-setting assessments such as country-level diagnostic studies and strategic environmental assessments that encourage environmental issues to be considered at the early stages of the decision-making process, as well as to integrate them into the policy dialogue and poverty reduction and country assistance strategies.

The World Bank’s emphasis on national implementation and the use of country systems also allows for considerable capacity building throughout project implementation across sectors. For example, certain categories of projects will require an environmental and pest management plan to be conducted by the loan recipient. In doing so, countries develop in-country skills and institutions which specialize in risk management.

In addition, based on client countries priorities and demand, the Bank is also engaged in investment projects that directly address issues of relevance to the SAICM such as remediation of legacy pollution hot spots from a variety of contaminants, including PCBs and mercury.

As an implementing agency for the Multilateral Fund (MLF) for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol and for the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the Bank is actively involved in enhancing client country capacity in for sound chemicals management, and in investments to reduce health and environmental impacts from hazardous substances.

POPs projects co-financed by the GEF and supported by the Bank are assisting countries in addressing all aspects of POPs management, including PCB management and disposal, obsolete pesticides management and disposal, production closure and remediation, and

reduction of releases of un-intentionally produced POPs from industrial sectors and unsound waste management.

Under the MLF, the World Bank works closely with its country partners to develop country-specific approaches to help them meet treaty obligations on phasing out ozone depleting substances. Using its comparative advantage, the Bank has promoted sector and national approaches that give maximum flexibility to the countries to take the lead in overall implementation, direct funding to priority areas and develop complementary policies.

2.9 OECD

The OECD, based in Paris, was established in 1960 and now includes thirty four member countries sharing a commitment to democratic government and the market economy. The senior decision-making body is the Council of OECD ambassadors that can agree on Council Acts. The OECD Environment, Health and Safety Programme\(^\text{27}\) includes the Chemicals Programme, as well as work on pesticides, biocides, chemical accidents, harmonisation of regulatory oversight in biotechnology, Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers (PRTRs), and the safety of novel foods and feeds. The main areas of work of OECD related to capacity building activity include the following:

- **Mutual Acceptance of Data (MAD):** OECD works with non-members on their adherence to this legally binding OECD system. Non-members are full participants with the same rights and obligations as OECD countries, once they have adhered.

- **Good Laboratory Practice (GLP):** These principles are used for the quality assurance of data and set out managerial concepts concerning the organization of test facilities as well as the conditions under which safety studies are planned, performed, monitored, recorded and reported. They are a critical element for MAD. OECD gives courses for training inspectors from member and non-member countries.

- **Chemical Accidents Programme:** This programme began in 1988 and addresses prevention, preparedness and response related to accidents involving hazardous substances. Guiding Principles and Safety Performance Indicators are in use widely also outside the OECD. Recently, this programme has launched a document, *Corporate Governance for Process Safety: Guidance for Senior Leaders in High Hazard Industries*.

- **Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers (PRTRs):** OECD work on PRTRs was initiated in 1993, as a follow-up to UNCED, with a project to prepare guidance for and promote the development of PRTRs. Many technical tools for use in developing and implementing PRTRs are freely available on the web.

\(^{26}\) See [http://www.oecd.org/home](http://www.oecd.org/home)

\(^{27}\) [http://www.oecd.org/ehs](http://www.oecd.org/ehs)
3. Background on SAICM

3.1 Summary of the SAICM Process

The SAICM development process, which started formally through a series of sessions of a Preparatory Committee (PrepComs) commencing in 2003, included a number of key milestones, including:

- UNEP Governing Council, February 2002;
- World Summit on Sustainable Development, September 2002;
- World Health Assembly, May 2003;
- International Labour Conference, June 2003;
- World Summit, September 2005;
- SAICM PrepComs 1, 2, and 3;
- First session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM), February 2006;
- Second session of the ICCM, May 2009;
- First meeting of the Open-ended Working Group (OEWG), November 2011; and
- Third session of the ICCM, September 2012.

The development process was multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholder in nature, involving representatives of governments, NGOs and intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) drawn from sectors such as agriculture, environment, health, industry, and labour. UNEP, IOMC, and the Intergovernmental Forum on Chemical Safety (IFCS) were co-convenors of the process.

Development of SAICM culminated with its adoption by the ICCM at its first session, which was held in Dubai in February 2006. SAICM consists of three core documents (see below), supplemented by four resolutions adopted by the ICCM on implementation arrangements, the Quick Start Programme, a tribute to the Government of the United Arab Emirates and on the IFCS. The second and third sessions of the ICCM were held in May 2009 and September 2012, respectively, in order to, inter alia, review implementation and take stock of progress.

3.2 Main Outcomes of SAICM

The overall objective of the Strategic Approach is to support the achievement of the 2020 goal agreed at the 2002 Johannesburg World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD). The main outcomes of the SAICM process are three key documents28:

*Dubai Declaration on International Chemicals Management*

The Dubai Declaration, adopted by Ministers, heads of delegation and representatives of civil society and the private sector, provides an agreed overview of the political commitments made for SAICM. It reflects their “…firm commitment to the Strategic Approach and its implementation.” In particular, in reinforces the importance of issues such as the linkage of sound chemicals management to sustainable development and poverty eradication, contribution of SAICM to the MDGs (Millennium Development Goals), implementation of

international agreements, and the roles of non-governmental stakeholders and importance of partnerships.

**Overarching Policy Strategy (OPS)**

The OPS provides information on the scope of SAICM, identifies needs for effective SAICM implementation, and outlines objectives, principles, and financial and implementation arrangements. The five categories of SAICM objectives found in the OPS are:

- Risk reduction;
- Knowledge and information;
- Governance;
- Capacity-building and technical cooperation; and
- Illegal international traffic.

**The Global Plan of Action (GPA)**

The GPA is a more detailed document that outlines proposed work areas, activities, actors, timeframes, targets, and indicators of progress related to SAICM implementation. The GPA contains 36 work areas, and 273 activities, structured in accordance with the five categories of SAICM objectives set out in the OPS. It is recommended for use and further development as a working tool and guidance document for stakeholders implementing SAICM. Implementation of the Strategic Approach at the national level (including the initial “enabling phase”) is suggested to include the development of national implementation plans. The activities listed in the GPA are included as Annex 4.

Initial capacity building activities for implementation of Strategic Approach objectives are supported, *inter alia*, by a Quick Start Programme (QSP). The QSP contains a voluntary, time-limited trust fund, administered by UNEP, and may include multilateral, bilateral and other forms of cooperation. The objective of the QSP is to “support initial enabling capacity building and implementation activities in developing countries, least developed countries, small island developing States and countries with economies in transition” (ICCM Resolution I/4).

### 3.3 Strengthening National Capacities for SAICM Implementation and the Sound Management of Chemicals

Capacity building refers to the process by which individuals, groups, organizations, institutions and countries develop their abilities, individually and collectively, to perform functions, solve problems and achieve objectives. Thus, capacity building is not necessarily linked to external assistance activities. With respect to chemicals management, capacity building includes all activities by governments, the private sector and civil society to achieve specific objectives and perform specific functions in order to reach the 2020 goal for the sound management of chemicals.

When planning and implementing a capacity building project or activity, key questions are: *What exactly is a project or specific activity meant to achieve? Which functions need to be performed (and by whom) to achieve a specific project objective or goal?* Goals requiring

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capacity building may be broad and general, such as achieving the sound management of chemicals by the year 2020. Or they can be more specific and pragmatic, such as meeting obligations of a specific convention/protocol (e.g. the ILO Chemicals Convention; the Stockholm Convention; the Vienna Convention and its Montreal Protocol) or a specific standard (such as the GHS), or a pesticide registration system.

Last but not least, capacity building takes place at the national, regional, and local levels as well as in the private sector and civil society, and it is at these levels that progress must be measured. External support activities, such as those provided by IOMC Organizations, can only be facilitative and supportive in nature.

### 3.4 Elements of a National Chemicals Management System

In developing and agreeing on Agenda 21, Chapter 19, Programme Area E, countries agreed that a national chemicals management system should include a number of elements, which include the following:

(a) adequate legislation,
(b) information gathering and dissemination,
(c) capacity for risk assessment and interpretation,
(d) establishment of risk management policy,
(e) capacity for implementation and enforcement,
(f) capacity for rehabilitation of contaminated sites and poisoned persons,
(g) effective education programmes, and
(h) capacity to respond to emergencies.

One of the successes of SAICM is that it elaborates and provides further details for several of the above elements of Programme Area E of Chapter 19. Another challenge, both for countries and international organizations involved in capacity building, is to create bridges and identify synergies between strengthening the elements of a national infrastructure for sound chemicals management, as provided for by the above elements, and capacity building activities aimed at implementing a particular convention and its existing protocols.

### 3.5 Phased Approach to National SAICM Implementation

The Overarching Policy Strategy proposes that implementation of the Strategic Approach begin with an enabling phase to build the necessary capacity to develop, with stakeholder participation, a national Strategic Approach implementation plan. The plan should take into account existing national elements such as:

- Legislation;
- National profiles;
- Action plans;
- Stakeholder initiatives and gaps;
- Priorities; and
- Needs and circumstances.

The OPS also notes that subsequent implementation phases should focus on implementing specific action plans, including through the use of partnerships. In order to sustain an integrated approach to managing chemicals, each Government should establish arrangements for implementing the Strategic Approach on an interministerial institutional basis, to ensure
the representation of all national departmental and stakeholder interests. A Strategic Approach national focal point should be established in each country to facilitate the communication and information dissemination.

A challenge for countries committed to implementing SAICM will be to assess their current situation, identify priorities in line with national needs and circumstances, and implement actions in a coordinated and integrated way with the involvement of all actors and stakeholders. Fortunately, many countries and organizations involved in chemicals management are not starting from scratch and have, for example, completed National Chemicals Management Profiles (which document and assess the current infrastructure and capacities for chemicals management) or National Implementation Plans under the Stockholm Convention (which outline actions to be taken towards fulfilling obligations under the Convention).
4. DOCUMENTS TO FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK FOR NATIONAL SAICM IMPLEMENTATION

This section of the document provides an overview of resource, guidance and training materials that are available through the IOMC to support countries in implementing an enabling phase for SAICM implementation. This phase would focus on development of national governance structure for SAICM implementation involving key sectors and stakeholder, completing a situation and gap analysis, and setting priorities for action plan development. Relevant resource documents have been grouped around major themes raised by SAICM including:

- Integrating Chemicals Management into National Development Priorities;
- Developing a Sound Institutional and Programmatic National Framework;
- Effective Project Planning, Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation;
- Participation of the Private Sector and Non Profit Civil Society; and
- Legislation and Enforcement.

4.1 Integrating Chemicals Management into National Development Priorities

Organizations that provide support for chemicals-related capacity building activities at the national level are calling for such activities to be reflected in a country's overall national development priorities. National priorities related to chemicals management can be reflected in a number of ways, for example, through their appearance in a national sustainable development strategy, or a national poverty reduction paper. This issue has also been raised by countries, IGOs, and other participants as an important factor during the ongoing deliberations on SAICM. If chemicals-related activities are not identified in development plans that represent the result of consensus-building at the national level, donor support to chemicals-related activities may be less likely.

Mechanisms for Integrating Chemicals Management into Development Priorities

Relevant materials relating to the integration of chemicals management into national development priorities include the following:

<p>| UNDP | Integrating the Sound Management of Chemicals into MDG-Based Development Planning |  |  |  |</p>
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<td>Curriculum Outline for a 5-Day Training Course in Economic Cost-Benefit Analysis Relevant to Policies for Sound Management of Chemicals (SMC)</td>
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<td>Integrating Environmental Considerations in Policy Formulation: Lessons from Policy-Based SEA Experience</td>
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<td>Strategic environmental assessment in policy and sector reform : conceptual model and operational guidance</td>
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<td>OECD</td>
<td>Greening Development: Enhancing Capacity for Environmental Management and Governance. This guidance outlines a number of steps to be considered when building capacity for greening national development planning, national budgetary processes and key economic sector strategies</td>
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4. Documents to Facilitate the Development of a Governance Framework for National SAICM Implementation

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### 4.2 Developing a Sound Institutional and Programmatic National Framework

A number of countries have taken steps to link their chemicals management capacity activities and projects within a national “programmatic” framework for the sound management of chemicals. A core feature of a programmatic approach is that it represents a long term national commitment to chemicals management where relevant government sectors establish and participate in a national chemical safety coordinating mechanism, while maintaining their independence to execute individual components and projects within their mandate and competence. Development of a National Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals allows countries to conduct a strategic evaluation of progress made and challenges faced at the national level towards reaching the WSSD 2020 goals and the targets established by SAICM.

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4.3 Effective Project Planning, Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation

Through specific projects concrete progress can be made towards building capacities for the sound management of chemicals and achievement of the WSSD 2020 Goal. In the perspective of the IOMC, a number of characteristics contribute towards the sustainable impact of capacity building projects. These include, for example:

- Multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholder consultation/participation in project design and implementation;
- Sound project planning, monitoring and evaluation;
- Evaluation of the sustainability of the capacity and infrastructure;
• Building on the experiences gained and lessons learned from previous projects and activities; and
• Solid linkages of project and activity goals to overall programmatic priorities.

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Legislation and associated regulations comprise an important component of national chemicals management. Overarching legislation can establish a generic legal framework for the control of chemicals and make the basic principles of sound chemicals management legally binding. The legislative framework should be integrated across all sectors and should seek to address the entire life cycle of chemicals, including importation, manufacture, processing, storage, transport, use, disposal and recycling. The existence of a comprehensive and well coordinated legal framework can help to avoid piecemeal, overlapping, or conflicting regulations.

Legislation, Regulations and Policies—General

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#### 4.5 Participation of the Private Sector and Non Profit Civil Society in Chemicals Management

Civil society and the private sector have major roles in chemicals management capacity building. The private sector, in particular industry, can be a net contributor to supporting capacity building, especially given increasing calls by government for this sector to work in partnerships for sustainable development. Where industry is involved, systems can be developed that work on a cost recovery basis to ensure sustainability. Civil society will be
involved in certain aspects of chemicals management capacity building activities. Multilateral organizations such as the GEF and the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol, for example, recognize the potential of civil society and the private sector to assist governments in the "delivery" of chemicals-related commitments.

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5. Resource Documents Addressing Specific Topics of Chemicals Management

This section provides references to a range of documents developed by IOMC POs in support of specific chemicals management capacity building activities. In light of the complexity of chemicals management and the diversity of programmes and documents available, documents have been grouped in five main sections, with sub-sections as appropriate. The five main sections include:

- Information generation and dissemination;
- Risk management/reduction;
- Education and awareness raising;
- Accident prevention and control; and
- Analytical and laboratory capacity.

In developing the structure, care has been taken to build upon the agreed SAICM objectives and to take into consideration prior work in the area of national chemicals management, namely Chapter 19 of Agenda 21. Table 1 provides an overview of the main categories and indicates those SAICM objectives to which they relate.

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5.1 Information Generation and Dissemination

Information is pivotal to a successful chemicals management programme. Ideally, the information should be comprehensive, validated and up-to-date. For the purposes of chemicals management, information is required to: identify chemicals of concern; assess problems that may arise and identify populations and environments at risk; implement focused and effective risk management programmes; monitor and evaluate health and environmental risks; raise awareness; and prepare and respond to chemical accidents and emergencies.

In the collection, processing and dissemination of information it is important to consider the ultimate users. This may be national authorities seeking to assess chemicals and take appropriate regulatory action, local authorities assessing risks in their community, workers handling chemicals, and the public when taking action to reduce their own exposure. The
level of detail and the technical nature of information, as well as the nature and format of the documentation, should vary according to the needs of the various groups.

**Hazard Identification, Classification and Labelling (GHS)**

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### Guidance Document on the Validation and International Acceptance of New or Updated Test Methods for Hazard Assessment. Publication, Series on Testing and Assessment No. 34

| OECD | 2005 | 96 pp. | English |

### Principles for the Validation of (Quantitative) Structure-Activity Relationships [(Q)SARs]

| OECD | 2004 | 206 pp. | English |

### Final Guidance Document for Distinguishing Waste From Non-Waste

| OECD | 1998 | 18 pp. | English |

### Exposure Assessment

**FAO**

- Submission and evaluation of pesticide residues data for the estimation of maximum residue levels in food and feed

| FAO | 2002 | 194 pp. | English |

**UNEP**

- IPCS Training Module No 4: General Scientific Principles of Chemical Safety


**WHO**

- Brief Guide to Analytical Methods for the Measurement of Lead in Blood

| WHO | 2011 | 13 pp. | English |

- Brief Guide to Analytical Methods for Measuring Lead in Paint

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### Toxicology

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|     | Basic Analytical Toxicology | IPCS/WHO | 1995 | 274 pp. | English, French, Thai |
### Epidemiology and Monitoring

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| Teacher's Guide for Basic Epidemiology  

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5.2 Risk Reduction

The reduction of risks related to chemical exposure encompasses a broad range of options designed to limit the adverse effects in health and the environment by reducing the availability, or inherent hazards, of chemicals or by controlling the nature and extent of exposures. Risks may be reduced through the elimination or reduction of the use of hazardous materials, substituting less toxic, persistent or bioaccumulative products, implementing safety procedures for the handling of dangerous chemicals and reducing the generation of hazardous waste. Actions to reduce risks may be encouraged through regulatory pressure, economic benefits and other incentives.

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Report of the OECD-FAO-UNEP Workshop on Obsolete Pesticides


OECD 2001 26 pp. English, French

**Prevention and Control of Chemical Pollution and Waste**

**FAO**

Guidelines on Management Options for Empty Pesticide Containers

http://www.who.int/whopes/recommendations/Management_options_empty_pesticide_containers.pdf


Pesticide Storage and Stock Control manual


FAO 1996 36 pp. Arabic, English, French, Spanish

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Widespread cooperation among all relevant government authorities, industry, workers, NGOs and the public is fundamental to sound national chemicals management. This in turn, calls for a widespread awareness of the potential risks associated with the use of chemicals and chemical accidents, and an understanding of the ways in which chemicals can be handled safely. Such a general awareness can be promoted through targeted education and training, as well as through campaigns to raise public awareness.

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**Poisoning Prevention Treat and Control**

#### ILO

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ILO | 1997 | 315 pp. | French |

#### WHO/IPCS

The INTOX Data Management System and harmonized data collection  
WHO/IPCS | Ongoing | Website | English |

Poisons Centre Training Manual, Part 1  
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