5th Asia-Pacific regional meeting on the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management

Conference Room 4, United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC).
Rajadamnern Nok Avenue, Bangkok.

Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Organizational matters:
   (a) Adoption of the agenda;
   (b) Objectives and expected outcome of the regional meeting and regional representation in Strategic Approach related efforts.
3. Implementation of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management:
   (a) Progress review on implementation of the SAICM Overall Orientation and Guidance within the region:
      (i) Setting the scene: an overview of the region;
      (ii) Panel discussion of country experiences, including financial mechanism and QSP experiences;
      (iii) Information exchange on emerging policy issues:
         a. Update from the IOMC on progress on emerging policy issues and other issues of concern;
         b. Discussion on country experiences and impact of emerging policy issue efforts in the region;
         c. Update on the Strategic Approach GEF projects;
      (iv) Status of regional input to the SAICM Report on Progress, 2014-2016;
   (b) Provision of guidance on implementation:
      (i) National Implementation Tools: Information exchange and scientific, technological and technical cooperation;
      (ii) Development of an industrial chemical management system, including experiences from the region;

5. SAICM and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020:
   (a) Overview of the intersessional process;
   (b) Regional input to the independent evaluation for 2006-2015;
   (c) Dialogue on regional perspectives¹:
      (i) Vision, policy principles, objectives and milestones;
      (ii) Implementation arrangements and governance;
      (iii) Communication and engagement, securing high-level political commitment and visibility;
   (d) Updates from the co-chairs on the second meeting of the intersessional process;
   (e) Nomination of regional representatives at the second intersessional meeting.


7. Preparations for the third meeting of the Open-ended Working Group.

8. Other matters.

9. Closure of the meeting.

¹ Participants should be prepared to discuss the questions set out in the scenario note for the intersessional process (SAICM/IP.2/3)