SAICM Beyond 2020

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ICCA Views for Beyond 2020 SAICM

• Strive for commitments & accountability by all stakeholders (i.e. GHS implementation in each country) and support SAICM as a voluntary, multi-stakeholder forum
  ▪ Strive for meaningful partnerships among SAICM stakeholders to deliver tangible progress on sound management of chemicals and waste (SMCW) in all countries (GHS implementation/UNEP+UNITAR+ EU Commission+ECHA; E-learning tool/UNEP; Data sharing/OECD)

• Focus on enhancing the ability of all governments to safely manage chemicals through the development and enforcement of fit-for-purpose legal frameworks
  ▪ Scale up and improve capacity building efforts (“Marketplace/Platform for Capacity Building”)
  ▪ Increase financing sources by establishing fee-based chemical management systems in all countries

• Ensure that objectives, targets and indicators that are currently negotiated are achievable by all stakeholders and which support the implementation of SMCW
Chemical Industry’s Commitment to SAICM

- ICCA is a strong supporter of SAICM, including providing:
  - Enhanced capacity building programs and commitment to regulator-industry partnerships in all SAICM regions to support governments and companies in improvements to SMCW practices (Latin America Regulatory Cooperation Forum, ASEAN Forum, GHS implementation in Africa)
  - Commitments to SMCW through individual company investments to innovation, safety training/initiatives for staff, suppliers & customers, sustainability initiatives, compliance with chemical regulatory requirements in jurisdictions around the globe (i.e. EU Commission Cumulative Cost Assessment Study: € 9.5 bn annually invested for Health Safety Security Environmental compliance).
  - Expansion of Responsible Care®, industry’s voluntary initiative for enhanced Environmental, Health, Safety and Security practices, to more companies and countries globally (64 associations implement the initiative in 69 economies).
  - Increased direct funding to the SAICM Secretariat and SAICM projects as the sole non-governmental organisation
  - Guidelines on chemicals data and knowledge sharing (ICCA Toolbox, E-learning tool, global regulatory cooperation)
Capacity Building by chemical industry

• ICCA’s Capacity Building efforts are aimed at collaborating with industry and local governments in order to achieve the SAICM 2020 Goal through a science-based approach to chemicals management that fits the countries needs and resources.

• Industry has also created 2 successful regulator-industry partnerships to promote regulatory cooperation and best practices in chemical management in LATAM and ASEAN

• Via ICCA-UNEP MoU, ICCA supports the development of a Platform/Marketplace for Capacity Building, which will help to track capacity building efforts by SAICM Stakeholders and match funders (including industry and governments) with developing country projects

• Responsible Care is the chemical industry’s environmental, health, safety, and security performance initiative and it is the foundation of the chemical industry’s commitment to sustainability.
Platform Marketplace for Capacity Building (CB)

The objective of the Platform/Marketplace for Capacity Building is to ultimately support country-driven institutional strengthening at the national level.

How?

.. by establishing a common place for capacity building (CB) activities which acts as an intermediary between a country with CB needs and a donor country and/or other stakeholders

→ IP4 Recommendations for ICCM5 to include establishing/advancing on a Platform/Marketplace for Capacity Building by ICCMX (via expert group?)

*Can we build on any best practices from existing online platforms, databases? Reference to the mapping report of SAICM secretariat in 2021*
Current challenges in CB, and the need for:

• a clear focus on building national regulatory capacity that can be sustained also after the project funding is terminated;

• a follow-up mechanism on clear and a few selected targets that should be achieved in the years following the completion of the project/activity;

• the project should not to be a stand-alone but be part of a country’s comprehensive chemicals management planning and capacity building;

• tailor made design of projects/activities that are country and needs specific;

• long-term commitment by both receiving as well as providing parties, including financing of activities;
Objectives of a Platform/Marketplace CB

• Increasing efficiency by creating a single hub;
• Supporting developing countries in identifying potential funders for capacity building projects and in developing project proposals;
• Increasing effectiveness by allowing for coordination at regional and local level;
• Allowing for stages in the process and to focus the projects at the initial stage to pertinent but achievable and “smaller scaled” SAICM objectives;
• Ensuring that expertise and learnings from completed capacity building activities can be leveraged across other similar CB efforts
Key, non exhaustive, elements

• Open to all stakeholders;
• Voluntary participation but important that all stakeholders report on their CB projects;
• Online hub where all CB is made visible + demand and supply of CB activities will be matched;
• Progress tracking and use of KPIs;
• Reporting toward the new SAICM instrument and link to targets and indicators and the overall progress toward the “SAICM 2.0” objectives.

• Pragmatic supporting function
  - Option: Linking to existing platforms (i.e. UNITAR, Special Programme).
  - Option: External support via consultant
  - Other options....

*Reference to SAICM secretariat mapping report (2021)*
Concluding remarks

- Considering new ideas and opportunities for meaningful partnerships requires a sustainable financing mechanism where financial means flow to clearly identified projects, with concrete deliverables and adequate mechanism for commitment by all.

- Strong support for establishing a fit-for-purpose and proportionate fee-based chemicals management systems in each country.

- Strong support IP4 recommendation for establishing a Platform/Marketplace for Capacity Building (*ICCM5 to task SAICM in establishing a dedicated expert group, to deliver xx by yy*)

- Recognition for the chemical industry’s multitude ways of contributions to Health Safety Security and Environmental compliance
Thank you.