

Table of projects funded by the Quick Start Programme (QSP) trust fund of the Strategic Approach to international Chemicals Management (SAICM)

Introduction

The International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM) decided in resolution I/4 to invite UNEP to establish a voluntary, time-limited trust fund to provide seed money to support the objective and strategic priorities of the QSP. 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.” The strategic priorities defined by the ICCM highlight that the QSP should mobilize resources for national priority initial enabling activities in keeping with the work areas set out in the strategic objectives of section IV of the Overarching Policy Strategy, in particular:

- (a) Development or updating of national chemical profiles and the identification of capacity needs for sound chemicals management;
- (b) Development and strengthening of national chemicals management institutions, plans, programmes and activities to implement SAICM, building upon work conducted to implement international chemicals-related agreements and initiatives;
- (c) Undertaking analysis, interagency coordination, and public participation activities directed at enabling the implementation of SAICM by integrating – i.e., mainstreaming – the sound management of chemicals in national strategies, and thereby informing development assistance cooperation priorities.

Developing countries and countries with economies in transition are eligible for support from the trust fund. Proposals may be presented by SAICM participating Governments that have given appropriate formal recognition to SAICM, at a minimum by having designated an official SAICM national focal point. On an exceptional basis, and having regard to resources and administrative capacity available, representatives of civil society networks participating in SAICM may also present project proposals.

Summary of application rounds

Over five rounds of applications to the Quick Start Programme (QSP) trust fund, held between May 2006 and October 2008, the secretariat received 166 project proposals. The QSP Trust Fund Implementation Committee* approved 74 projects for a total funding of US\$14,020,252. The projects will be implemented by 60 Governments and seven civil society organizations and involve activities in 73 countries, including 34 Least Developed Countries and/or Small Island Developing States.

The approved projects are listed in the following tables.

* The ICCM invited representatives of the participating organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme on the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) and the United Nations Development Programme to form a Trust Fund Implementation Committee. This Committee is responsible for appraising and approving projects to be financed by the QSP trust fund and meets twice a year.

Table A: Summary of QSP trust fund approved projects from round 1 to 5

	Total	Round				
		I	II	III	IV	V
Total project approved	74	8	21	11	17	17
Civil society project	7	1	1	2	2	1
Government project	67	7	20	9	15	16
<i>Individual</i>	60	4	20	9	12	15
<i>Multi-country</i>	7	3	0	0	3	1
Countries involved	73					
<i>Africa</i>	27					
<i>Asia-Pacific</i>	18					
<i>Central & Eastern Europe</i>	6					
<i>Latin America</i>	22					
LDC and/or SIDS	34					
Total funding granted (US\$)	\$14,020,252	\$1,966,262	\$1,861,841	\$2,232,155	\$3,888,505	\$4,071,489

Table B: Governments (27) and projects (25) supported through the QSP trust fund in Africa

Country	LDC-SIDS	Project title	Executing agency	Funding	Round	Project type
Burkina Faso	LDC	Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,946	1st	multi-country
Burundi	LDC	Updating the National Chemicals Management Profile and developing a national chemicals database in Burundi	UNITAR	\$99,250	2nd	individual
Chad	LDC	Strengthening integrated chemicals management for effective SAICM implementation in Chad	UNITAR	\$119,900	2nd	individual
Comoros	LDC-SIDS	Developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, Holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop and Updating a National Chemicals Management Profile in Comoros	UNITAR	\$52,900	2nd	individual
Congo (Republic of)		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,659	1st	multi-country
Côte d'Ivoire		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,659	1st	multi-country
		Strengthening the capacity of Côte d'Ivoire to control the transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and chemicals in the context of the Basel Convention, the International Health Regulations (WHO, 2005) and other relevant MEAs as per necessary, and ensure their environmentally sound management	Basel Convention Secretariat	\$249,930	4th	individual
Djibouti	LDC	Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,946	1st	multi-country
Egypt		Assessment and Capacity Building in Chemicals and Chemicals Waste Management in Egypt*	UNIDO	\$250,000	5th	individual

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Country	LDC-SIDS	Project title	Executing agency	Funding	Round	Project type
Eritrea	LDC	Developing a national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding of a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Eritrea	UNITAR	\$70,150	2nd	individual
Ghana		Updating the national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding of a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Ghana	UNITAR	\$50,750	2nd	individual
Kenya		Strengthening Capacities in Kenya for National SAICM Implementation	UNITAR	\$249,900	3rd	individual
Lesotho	LDC	Updating the national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding of a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Lesotho	UNITAR	\$54,950	2nd	individual
Liberia	LDC	Developing a National Chemicals Management Profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Liberia	UNITAR	\$71,050	3rd	individual
		Liberia, UNDP, and UNEP Partnership Initiative for the Integration of Sound Management of Chemicals Considerations into Development Plans and Processes*	UNDP & UNEP	\$250,000	5th	individual
Madagascar	LDC	Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,946	1st	multi-country
		Recycling/disposal of Insecticide-Treated Nets, exploratory project*	WHO	\$250,000	5th	individual
Malawi	LDC	Updating the national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding of a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Malawi	UNITAR	\$50,576	2nd	individual
Mali	LDC	Updating the national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM Capacity assessment, and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Mali	UNITAR	\$58,400	3rd	individual
Mauritania	LDC	Mauritania, UNDP and UNEP Partnership Initiative for the Integration of Sound Management of Chemicals Considerations into Development Plans and Processes*	UNDP & UNEP	\$250,000	5th	individual
Morocco		Strengthening national capacity in safe management of public health pesticides in Morocco*	WHO	\$175,000	5th	individual
Nigeria		Establishing an Institutional Framework and Strengthening National Capacity within an integrated national programme for the sound management of chemicals and implementation of the strategic approach in Nigeria	-	\$230,000	1st	individual
Rwanda	LDC	Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,946	1st	multi-country
Sao Tome & Principe	LDC-SIDS	Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,946	1st	multi-country
Senegal	LDC	Strengthening National Capacities in Senegal for SAICM Implementation*	UNITAR	\$250,000	5th	individual

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Country	LDC-SIDS	Project title	Executing agency	Funding	Round	Project type
Seychelles	SIDS	Developing an Integrated National Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals and SAICM Implementation in Seychelles*	UNITAR	\$250,000	5th	individual
Sudan	LDC	Development of a Sustainable Integrated National Programme for Sound Management of Chemicals	UNIDO	\$144,072	3rd	individual
Tanzania	LDC	Capacity Enhancement for the Implementation of the Stockholm Convention in the United Republic of Tanzania	-	\$248,819	4th	individual
Uganda	LDC	Uganda, UNEP & UNDP Partnership initiative for the implementation of SAICM	UNDP & UNEP	\$250,000	1st	individual
Zambia	LDC	Strengthening Capacities for SAICM Implementation and Supporting GHS Capacity Building in Zambia*	UNITAR	\$250,000	5th	individual

Table C: Governments (18) and projects (17) supported through the QSP trust fund in Asia and the Pacific

Country	LDC-SIDS	Project title	Executing agency	Funding	Round	Project type
Bahrain	SIDS	Capacity Building for Integrated and Sustainable Chemicals and Hazardous Waste Management	UNITAR	\$250,000	4th	individual
Cambodia	LDC	Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Cambodia	UNITAR	\$50,570	2nd	individual
		Protecting human health and the environment from mercury in artisanal and small scale gold mining (ASGM) in Asia	UNEP	\$125,000	4th	multi-country
Democratic People's Republic of Korea		Strengthening Capacities for National SAICM Implementation in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea	UNITAR	\$244,750	5th	individual
Indonesia		Technical Support to Strengthening National Capacities for Sound Management of Priority Industrial Carcinogens in Indonesia and Thailand	WHO	\$109,728	4th	multi-country
Kazakhstan		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Kazakhstan	UNITAR	\$50,300	2nd	individual
Kiribati	LDC-SIDS	Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Kiribati	UNITAR	\$64,800	2nd	individual
Kyrgyzstan		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Kyrgyzstan	UNITAR	\$50,950	2nd	individual
Mongolia		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,659	1st	multi-country

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Country	LDC-SIDS	Project title	Executing agency	Funding	Round	Project type
Nepal	LDC	Developing a national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding of a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Nepal	UNITAR	\$70,501	2nd	individual
Palau	SIDS	Establishing an institutional framework and strengthening national capacity for the sound chemicals management and implementation of the Strategic Approach in the Republic of Palau		\$250,000	4th	individual
Palestine		Development of a national chemicals management profile and a national chemicals management database in Palestine	UNITAR	\$82,250	2nd	individual
Philippines		Development of an effective national chemical safety program towards chemical poisoning prevention and control	-	\$250,000	4th	individual
		Protecting human health and the environment from mercury in artisanal and small scale gold mining (ASGM) in Asia	UNEP	\$125,000	4th	multi-country
Samoa	LDC-SIDS	Establishing an Institutional Framework and strengthening National Capacity within an integrated national programme for the sound management of chemicals and implementation of the Strategic Approach in Samoa	-	\$250,000	4th	individual
Sri Lanka		Strengthening National Capacities for Sound Management of Priority Industrial Carcinogens and Updating National Chemicals Profile in Sri Lanka*	WHO	\$232,539	5th	individual
Syria		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,659	1st	multi-country
Thailand		Technical Support to Strengthening National Capacities for Sound Management of Priority Industrial Carcinogens in Indonesia and Thailand	WHO	\$109,728	4th	multi-country
		Capacity Building and Awareness Raising Programmes on the Implementation of the Rotterdam Convention in Thailand	-	\$250,000	5th	individual
Uzbekistan		Developing an Integrated National Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals and SAICM Implementation in Uzbekistan*	UNITAR	\$250,000	5th	individual
Yemen	LDC	Integrated national program for the sound management of chemicals and implementation of the Strategic Approach in Yemen	UNITAR	\$249,500	3rd	individual

Table D: Governments (6) and projects (6) supported through the QSP trust fund in Central and Eastern Europe

Country	LDC-SIDS	Project title	Executing agency	Funding	Round	Project type
Armenia		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,607	1st	multi-country
		Armenia and UNEP Partnership Initiative for Sound Management of Chemicals and Implementation of SAICM in Armenia	-	\$245,680	3rd	individual

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Country	LDC-SIDS	Project title	Executing agency	Funding	Round	Project type
Belarus		Belarus, UNDP and UNEP Partnership Initiative for the Integration of Sound Management of Chemicals Considerations into Development Plans and Processes	UNDP & UNEP	\$250,000	3rd	individual
Georgia		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,607	1st	multi-country
		Strengthening Capacities for Developing a National Pollutant and Release Transfer Register and Supporting SAICM Implementation in Georgia	UNITAR	\$170,500	4th	individual
Macedonia (Former Yugoslav Republic)		Development and mainstreaming of the National Plan on SAICM implementation for the Republic of Macedonia	UNDP	\$248,400	1st	individual
Moldova		Moldova and UNEP partnership on capacity building for improving the environmentally sound management of chemicals in the Republic of Moldova and the implementation of SAICM	-	\$249,950	2nd	individual
Serbia		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,607	1st	multi-country

Table E: Governments (20) and projects (21) supported through the QSP trust fund in Latin America and the Caribbean

Country	LDC-SIDS	Project title	Executing agency	Funding	Round	Project type
Bahamas	SIDS	Capacity building for POPs analysis to support the Global Monitoring Plan of POPs for effectiveness evaluation of the Stockholm Convention	UNEP	\$83,333	4th	multi-country
Barbados	SIDS	Updating a national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding of a national SAICM priority setting workshop in Barbados	UNITAR	\$55,450	2nd	individual
		Capacity building for POPs analysis to support the Global Monitoring Plan of POPs for effectiveness evaluation of the Stockholm Convention	UNEP	\$83,333	4th	multi-country
Belize	SIDS	Mainstreaming into Developing Plans Sound Management of Chemicals (SMC) Priorities for Key Development Sectors in Belize and Associated SMC Governance	UNDP & UNEP	\$250,000	4th	individual
Bolivia		Strengthening national governance for SAICM implementation: updating the national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding a national SAICM forum in Bolivia	UNITAR	\$69,550	2nd	individual
		Artisanal and Small Scale Gold Mining Regional Project in South America	UNEP	\$124,900	5th	multi-country
Chile		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,607	1st	multi-country

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Country	LDC-SIDS	Project title	Executing agency	Funding	Round	Project type
Colombia		Strengthening National Governance for SAICM Implementation in Colombia*	UNIDO	\$249,800	5th	individual
Costa Rica		Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,607	1st	multi-country
Cuba	SIDS	Capacity building for POPs laboratories in Cuba under multilateral environmental agreements	UNEP	\$250,000	4th	individual
Ecuador		Ecuador, UNEP and UNDP Partnership initiative for the implementation of SAICM	UNDP & UNEP	\$250,000	1st	individual
El Salvador		Life cycle Analysis of Chemical Substances	UNIDO	\$246,700	3rd	individual
Guatemala		Strengthening national governance for SAICM implementation: developing the national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding a national SAICM forum in Guatemala	UNITAR	\$85,750	2nd	individual
Guyana		Developing an Integrated National Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals and SAICM Implementation in Guyana	UNITAR	\$90,000	4th	individual
Haiti	LDC-SIDS	Updating the national chemicals management profile, development of a national SAICM capacity assessment and holding a national SAICM priority setting workshop	UNITAR	\$49,659	1st	multi-country
		Capacity building for POPs analysis to support the Global Monitoring Plan of POPs for effectiveness evaluation of the Stockholm Convention	UNEP	\$83,333	4th	multi-country
Honduras		Strengthening national governance for SAICM implementation: updating the national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding a national SAICM forum in Honduras	UNITAR	\$85,000	2nd	individual
		Honduras, UNDP, and UNEP Partnership Initiative for the Integration of Sound Management of Chemicals Considerations into Development Plans and Processes	UNDP & UNEP	\$250,000	5th	individual
Nicaragua		Strengthening national governance for SAICM implementation: updating the national chemicals management profile, developing a national SAICM capacity assessment, and holding a national SAICM forum in Nicaragua	UNITAR	\$70,500	2nd	individual
Panama		Strengthening Capacities for Developing a National Pollutant and Release Transfer Register and Supporting SAICM Implementation in Panama	UNITAR	\$170,000	5th	individual
Paraguay		Developing an Integrated National Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals and SAICM Implementation in Paraguay	UNITAR	\$250,000	4th	individual
Peru		Safe chemicals	UNIDO	\$249,004	3rd	individual
		Artisanal and Small Scale Gold Mining Regional Project in South America	UNEP	\$124,900	5th	multi-country
Trinidad and Tobago	SIDS	Strengthening the legislative, regulatory and enforcement capacity of SIDS in the Caribbean	Basel Convention Secretariat	\$178,794	2nd	individual
Uruguay		Sound Management for Mercury Products	UNIDO	\$249,800	4th	individual

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Table F: QSP trust fund civil society projects in Africa (4)

Organization	Project title	Country(ies)	Funding	Round	Project type
AGENDA, iLima-Kenya & NAPE	SAICM implementation in East Africa: Law reform and capacity building for sound chemicals management in Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda	Kenya, Tanzania & Uganda	\$250,000	5th	civil society
Day Hospital Institute for Development and Rehabilitation	National awareness campaign for all stakeholders on the safe use and management of pesticides according to the International Code of Conduct on the Distribution and Use of Pesticides	Egypt	\$199,000	2nd	civil society
Tanzania Plantation and Agricultural Workers Union	Strengthening the capacity of agricultural workers and workers' organisation in the implementation of SAICM	Tanzania (LDC)	\$241,800	1st	civil society
Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry	Scientific Capacity Building in Support of SAICM in Africa	Africa	\$250,000	4th	civil society

Table G: QSP trust fund civil society projects in Asia and the Pacific and Central and Eastern Europe (1)

Organization	Project title	Country (ies)	Funding	Round	Project type
Network for Protection of Public Environmental Interests in the Kyrgyz Republic, Green Partnership & Local Self-Government Development Centre	Strengthening Capacities of Civil Society Organizations for National and Regional SAICM Implementation in the Eastern Europe, Caucuses and Central Asia region	Belarus, Kazakhstan & Kyrgyzstan	\$160,000	4th	civil society

Table H: QSP trust fund civil society projects in Latin America and the Caribbean (2)

Organization	Project title	Country (ies)	Funding	Round	Project type
Argentine Society of Doctors for the Environment (AAMMA)	Integrated regional campaign on minimisation of mercury domestic sources with actions of intervention in the community to protect children and women's health	Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay	\$240,625	3rd	civil society
Sustainlabour	Enabling workers and workplaces for SAICM implementation	Brazil, Chile and Uruguay	\$227,224	3rd	civil society