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CHEMICALS LANDSCAPE AND GHS IN COTE D'IVOIRE

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COTE D'IVOIRE



- ❖ **Tropical Country Located in West Africa**
- ❖ **Total Area=322 462 Sq. Km**
- ❖ **Population≈30 mil.(2021 est.)**

CHEMICALS MANAGEMENT ACTORS

❖ **Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development (MESD):**

in charge of the national policy of chemicals management except:

- importation
- pesticides
- drugs

MESD will supervise the implementation of the GHS

❖ **Ministry of Agriculture (MA)**

Pesticide and other agrochemical products (homologation, importation; information, control)

MA hosts a national pesticide committee.

MESD is member of the committee

CHEMICALS MANAGEMENT ACTORS

❖ **Ministry of Defense (MD)**

Responsible of importation due to prevention of chemicals weapons

MD delivers import license and supervise unloading and transportation (substances that can be used to manufacture chemicals weapons)

❖ **Health Ministry**

Drugs: importation, production, licenses, waste...

❖ **Labor Ministry**

ILO conventions, chemicals in the workplace...

CHEMICALS MANAGEMENT ACTORS

- ❖ **Ministry of Higher Education and Research**

Training, curricula development, research

- ❖ **Other Ministries**

- Industry : products standards control, manufactured products compliance

- Trade : business control...

- ❖ Etc.

CHEMICALS MANAGEMENT ACTORS

❖ **Private Sector: business of chemicals**

- Trade and Industry Chambers
- General Confederation of Businesses
- Small and Medium Enterprises Union
- Crop Life (pesticide...)

❖ **Civil Society: advocacy, information, outreach...**

- Labor organizations
- NGOs

❖ **IGOs, Regional Organisations**

WAEMU and ECOWAS work on chemicals

REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

❖ Existing Regulations and Working Documents



- Environment code, mining code, labor code, ...
- Regulations on pesticides, drugs...
- International instruments: SAICM, Basel Convention, Stockholm Convention, Vienna Convention, ILO conventions, Rotterdam Convention,...
- National Strategy (2014), National Profile (2008)

REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

❖ **On the table of the Government (drafted but not adopted yet)**



- Law on chemicals management
- Decrees

(TDG, National Committee, chemical control...)

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Cote D'ivoire imports and produces chemicals



Food industry	Pesticides and agrochemicals
Body care and beauty	Fertilizers
Paints and coatings	Plastics
Household products	...
Adhesives and glues	

NATIONAL COMMITTEE

Cote d'Ivoire does not have a national committee for chemicals management.

There are national committees for:

pesticides, waste transfer, explosives in mining,

public sector – private sector discussions..

The drafted law and by-laws on chemicals (if adopted) provide for a national committee

GHS IMPLEMENTATION STATUS



Cote d'Ivoire has not begun the implementation of the GHS.

An introductory workshop conducted by UNITAR took place in 2019

COORDINATION OF THE GHS

- ❖ MESD will be the principal doer and will work in synergy with the other stakeholders: regulations drafting, national, regional and local committees' management,...
- ❖ Industry, private sector, civil society and other relevant stakeholders will have focal points and will participate in all activities undertaken by the implementing committee.
- ❖ Tailored activities will be designed by stakeholders.
- ❖ Proposals from stakeholders will be welcomed

CHALLENGES



- ❖ **Political will, slowness of regulations' adoption**
- ❖ **Funding issues**
- ❖ **Nomination of inappropriate persons as focal points**
- ❖ **Poor involvement of stakeholders**

LEVEL OF AMBITION



- ❖ **Cote d'ivoire envisions a full implementation of the GHS even if the process takes time to complete**
- ❖ **Drafting and adoption of a comprehensive regulatory framework**
- ❖ **Pool of experts to design future activities (national strategy, ...) and keep the process going**

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