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**5<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific regional meeting on the Strategic Approach  
to International Chemicals Management**  
Bangkok, Thailand, 23-25 January 2018.

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;

- (iii) Implementation of the WHO “Road map to enhance health sector engagement in the strategic approach to international chemicals management towards the 2020 goal and beyond” and its implementation;
    - (iv) Update on the Global Chemicals Outlook II.
  - 4. Perspectives on the future and identification regional priorities towards and beyond 2020.
  - 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 perspectives<sup>1</sup>:
      - (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.
  - 6. Moving forward: review of regional outreach, coordination and sub regional initiatives.
  - 7. Preparations for the third meeting of the Open-ended Working Group.
  - 8. Other matters.
  - 9. Closure of the meeting.
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<sup>1</sup> Participants should be prepared to discuss the questions set out in the scenario note for the intersessional process (SAICM/IP.2/3)