
**6th EU-JUSSCANNZ regional meeting on the Strategic Approach
to International Chemicals Management (SAICM)**

Paris, 9 February 2018

Item 2 (a) of the provisional agenda*

Organizational matters: Adoption of the agenda

Room CC 12, OECD Conference Centre, Paris

Meeting start time: 9.30 a.m.

Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting

1. The 6th EU-JUSSCANNZ regional meeting on the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) will start at 9.30 a.m. on Friday, 9 February 2018 at the Conference Centre of Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Paris.

2. The session will begin with opening remarks from the President of the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM5), the Strategic Approach Regional Focal Point for EU-JUSSCANNZ and a representative from the Strategic Approach secretariat.

2. Organizational matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda

3. Participants may wish to adopt as its agenda, amended as appropriate, the provisional agenda set out in document SAICM/RM/EUJ.6/1.

3. Implementation of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management

4. Paragraph 26 of the Strategic Approach's Overarching Policy Strategy and resolution I/1 of the International Conference on Chemicals Management, on implementation arrangements, recognize that regional meetings play an essential role in the implementation of the Strategic Approach by providing a forum for reviewing progress in regional implementation; providing guidance on implementation to all stakeholders at the regional level; and enabling technical and strategic discussions and information exchange.

5. Participants will have before them document SAICM/RM/EUJ.6/2 Report of the fifth EU-JUSSCANNZ regional meeting on the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management held in Paris on 14 February 2014.

* SAICM/RM/EUJ.6/1

(a) Secretariat updates on activities

6. The Secretariat will provide a brief update on its activities including the status of input to the 2014-2016 Strategic Approach report on progress (SAICM/RM/2018/1), Update on the Quick Start Programme and its trust fund (SAICM/RM/2018/2) and the SAICM GEF project.

(b) Updates from member countries, other SAICM participants as desired

7. Participants will have the opportunity to reflect on developments that could present new challenges and opportunities for the sound management of chemicals and waste in implementation towards 2020 goal.

8. A representative of the Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions will provide an overview of the conventions' contributions to the sound management of chemicals and wastes (SAICM/IP.2/INF.4).

(c) Update on the World Health Organization (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

9. The WHO has developed the Roadmap to enhance health sector engagement in the strategic approach to international chemicals management towards the 2020 goal and beyond in accordance with WHA Resolution 69.4 and approved by the Seventieth World Health Assembly in decision WHA70(23). The Roadmap is presented in document "Road map to enhance health sector engagement in the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management towards the 2020 goal and beyond" (SAICM/IP.2/INF.2). A presentation will be made by a representative of WHO to provide an overview of the roadmap and the next steps.

(d) Update on the Global Chemicals Outlook by UN Environment Programme

10. A UN Environment Programme representative will present the latest developments on the Global Chemicals Outlook II. Participants are invited to comment and discuss the next steps.

4. SAICM and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020

11. The fourth session of the International Conference, through resolution IV/4, initiated an intersessional process to prepare recommendations regarding the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020. The second meeting of the intersessional process will take place from 13-15 March 2018 in Stockholm.

12. The task of the intersessional process is to provide recommendations to the Conference at its fifth session to enable the Conference to take an informed decision on future arrangements for the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020.

13. Participants are expected to prepare for this agenda item by reviewing the materials available for the second meeting of the intersessional process. The documents can be found on the following link:

www.saicm.org/Beyond2020/IntersessionalProcess/SecondIntersessionalmeeting/tabid/6193/language/en-US/Default.aspx

14. Furthermore, stakeholder input to the intersessional process is available in document SAICM/IP.2/INF.3.

15. Discussions under this agenda item will support the region to consider the regional priorities in the beyond 2020 context to prepare for the second intersessional meeting.

(a) Update on the Independent Evaluation for 2006-2015

16. The fourth session of the International Conference, through resolution IV/4, mandated the independent evaluation of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management. The aim of the evaluation is to provide information to enable the intersessional process to develop

recommendations and to enable the International Conference at its fifth session to take an informed decision on future arrangements for the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020.

17. The independent evaluator will present the draft results of the evaluation, focusing on the results from the region.

18. Participants may wish to take note of the information and to provide input to the independent evaluator to inform further the evaluation.

(b) Dialogue on regional perspectives

(i) Updates from the co-chairs on the second meeting of the intersessional process

19. The intersessional process is co-chaired by Ms. Leticia Reis de Carvalho (Brazil) and Mr. David Morin (Canada).

20. One of the co-chairs, Mr. David Morin, will present their expectations for the second meeting, listen to views of the region and respond to any questions.

(ii) Vision, policy principles, objectives and milestones and linkages to the 2030 Agenda

21. To support this discussion, participants have the following document made available to them 'Proposal on objectives in support of the 2030 Agenda and related milestones' (SAICM/IP.2/8).

22. Participants may wish to reflect upon what will be addressed beyond 2020, including the need for a statement of the overall vision, policy principles and a list of objectives with related milestones and possible targets.

23. Participants will work in small discussion groups to reflect on the overall vision, policy principles, objectives and milestones.

(iii) Implementation, role of IOMC organisations, financing, governance and high level political commitment

24. Participants have a number of papers available to them to support discussions on implementation arrangements and governance, including: Gender and the sound management of chemicals and waste (SAICM/IP.2/6); Financing the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 (SAICM/IP.2/9), and Review of existing governance models of potential relevance to the sound management of chemicals and waste, including science-policy interfaces (SAICM/IP.2/10).

25. Once the objectives are drafted and the independent evaluation is available, it will be possible to reflect on and consider the desired form of the future governance and implementation arrangements in greater detail. Meanwhile, stakeholders have expressed the view that, functionally, the design for an approach beyond 2020 should promote broader participation in general and encourage wider sectoral participation at all levels (national, regional and global) as an essential means of promoting impact, effectiveness, accountability, involvement and commitment.

26. Participants may wish to discuss and reflect on how to identify key stakeholders and the related implementation and governance arrangements to confront issues in moving forward.

27. Participants may wish to identify other key areas for discussion on role of IOMC participating organizations, financing and governance and initiate discussions in these areas.

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

28. At its fourth session, the Conference confirmed a meeting of the third Open-ended Working Group, in accordance with resolution II/6. Participants will have before them document SAICM/IP.2/INF/1, the timetable for the intersessional process highlighting information of the confirmed and provisional dates for upcoming Strategic Approach meetings. The third meeting of the Open-ended Working Group is tentatively scheduled for February 2019.

29. The secretariat will provide a brief update on the preparations for the third meeting of the Open-ended Working Group. All stakeholders in a position to do so are invited to make financial contributions early in support of this meeting. The secretariat also invites any interested offers to host the third meeting of the Open-ended Working Group.

30. Participants may wish to reflect on the third meeting of the Open-ended Work Group and provide guidance to the secretariat on the planning and desired outcomes.

6. Other matters

31. Participants may wish to discuss any other matters.

7. Closure of the meeting

32. Participants will be asked to evaluate the meeting and provide input to the secretariat via a survey.

33. Closing remarks will be delivered by the President of the fifth session of the International Conference and the Strategic Approach Regional Focal Point.

34. It is expected that the meeting will be closed by 6.00 p.m. on Friday, 9 February 2018.