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**Fourth meeting of the intersessional process considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 (IP4)**  
Bucharest, Romania, 29 August – 2 September 2022

## **Annotations to the Provisional Agenda**

### **Item 1: Opening of the meeting**

1. The fourth meeting of the intersessional process (IP4) considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 will open at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, 29 August 2022.
2. A representative from the Government of Romania will open the meeting. Additional opening statements will be made by Ms. Anita Breyer, President of the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management, and Ms. Sheila Aggarwal-Khan, UNEP.
3. The meeting will be co-chaired by Ms. Judith Torres (Uruguay) and the newly appointed Co-Chair replacing Mr. David Morin (Canada) who has stepped down from his role of IP Co-Chair.

### **Item 2: Organizational matters**

#### **(a) Appointment of the IP Co-Chair**

4. In December 2021, the Government of Canada informed the Bureau that the country is no longer able to fill the role of the Co-Chair of the intersessional process, while assuring their continued commitment to a successful outcome at ICCM5 and sound management of chemicals and waste both domestically and globally.
5. On 12 April 2022, the WEOG region nominated Ms. Kay Williams from the United Kingdom as IP Co-Chair replacing Mr. David Morin from Canada. As communicated to the Bureau in advance of the 20th Bureau meeting held in March 2022, Ms. Williams will start working ad interim until an official co-chair appointment can be made at the fourth meeting of the Intersessional Process (IP4) scheduled to take place from 29 August to 2 September 2022.
6. The meeting may wish to officially confirm Ms. Kay Williams to the role of Co-Chair of the intersessional process.

#### **(b) Adoption of the agenda**

7. Participants may wish to adopt the provisional agenda as set out in meeting document SAICM/IP.4/1/Rev.1.

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<sup>1</sup> Reissued for technical reasons.

(c) **Organization of work**

8. The work of the meeting will be conducted in plenary sessions and possible thematic groups and informal consultations, if needed. It is proposed that plenary be held from Monday, 29 August 2022 to Friday, 2 September 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The draft schedule is contained in Annex 1<sup>2</sup>.

9. As set out in International Conference on Chemicals Management resolution IV/4, the meeting will be conducted in English only.

**Item 3: Development of recommendations for consideration by the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management for the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020:**

10. Under this agenda item, the meeting will deliberate and finalize recommendations for consideration by the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM5) to be held in Bonn, Germany in the third quarter of 2023.

11. In opening this agenda item, the Secretariat will be invited to present the compilation text for SAICM and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 (SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev.1). Document SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev.1 was prepared by the secretariat under the guidance of the intersessional process co-chairs and in consultation with the Bureau of the Conference. In addition, the Secretariat will be invited to present the outcomes of the VWGs 3.

12. Participants may wish to refer to and consider the outcome compilation document SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev.1 as a basis for deliberations at IP4 taking into account the outcomes of the VWGs as presented in SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev.1/Add.1 Outcome of the Virtual Working Group on Targets, Indicators and Milestones, SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev.1/Add.2 Outcome of the Virtual Working Group on Governance and Mechanisms to Support Implementation, SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev.1/Add.3 Outcome of the Virtual Working Group on Issues of Concern and SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev.1/Add.4 Outcome of the Virtual Working Group on Financial Considerations and other submissions from stakeholders so that recommendations may be finalized for consideration at the fifth session of the Conference.

13. To facilitate the discussions on the recommendations, the Bureau at its 20th meeting held in March 2022, requested the Secretariat to prepare a comparison document highlighting the text from three key sources, namely, the current SAICM Overarching Policy Strategy and the SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev.1 Compilation of recommendations regarding the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 and the outcomes of the 4 Virtual Working Group, in a table format, and presented in SAICM/IP.4/INF/17.

14. A number of working and information documents were prepared for the fourth meeting of the intersessional meeting considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 originally scheduled for March 2020. Most of these meeting documents were considered during the Virtual Working Group process, and these are made available on the SAICM website [here](#) as reference documents.

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<sup>2</sup> Annex 1 Draft schedule has been updated to reflect modification in the timing of briefings taking place on 27-28 August 2022.

<sup>3</sup> All the documents and recordings from the Virtual Working Groups meetings are available at: <http://www.saicm.org/Beyond2020/IntersessionalProcess/VirtualWorkingGroups/tabid/8563/language/en-US/Default.aspx>

15. Regional groups, stakeholder/sectoral groups will be invited to provide their general views and overarching perspectives on the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020.
16. In line with requests from stakeholders, additional documents linked to this agenda item have been made available to support the meeting deliberations. These are available [here](#).
17. Under this agenda item, participants may wish to refer to the draft vision, scope, principles and approaches, strategic objectives and targets, institutional arrangements, mechanisms to support implementation, issues of concern and financial considerations set out in SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev 1 Compilation of recommendations regarding the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020, the outcomes of the Virtual Working Groups as presented in SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev 1/Add.1 Outcome of the Virtual Working Group on Targets, Indicators and Milestones, SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev 1/Add.2 Outcome of the Virtual Working Group on Governance and Mechanisms to Support Implementation, SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev 1/Add.3 Outcome of the Virtual Working Group on Issues of Concern and SAICM/IP.4/2/Rev 1/Add.4 Outcome of the Virtual Working Group on Financial Considerations, with the aim to provide a consolidated set of recommendations regarding the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 for consideration by the fifth session of the Conference, in a single document.
18. A number of Information Documents to support the discussions under this agenda item are available [here](#).

**Proposal for the name of a new instrument**

19. As per the request of IP3, the secretariat prepared proposals for consideration of the name of the future instrument. The secretariat document is available as document SAICM/IP.4/8/Rev 1.
20. Participants may wish to provide reflections on the possible proposed names and give guidance on a related decision-making process for the name of the future instrument.

**Item 4: Preparations for the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management**

21. The Government of Germany will be invited to present an update on preparations for the fifth session of the Conference. Participants may wish to refer to document SAICM/IP.4/INF/9 in that context.

**Item 5: Any other business**

22. Participants may wish to consider any other business during this agenda item.

**Item 6: Closure of the meeting**

23. The meeting is expected to close by 6 p.m. on Friday, 2 September 2022.

## Annex 1: Draft Schedule

	Saturday 27 August	Sunday 28 August	Monday 29 August	Tuesday 30 August	Wednesday 31 August	Thursday 1 September	Friday 2 September
8.30 – 9.00 am			IP Co-Chairs consultation meeting	IP Co-Chairs consultation meeting	IP Co-Chairs consultation meeting	IP Co-Chairs consultation meeting	IP Co-Chairs consultation meeting
9.00 - 10.00 am	IP Co-Chairs consultation meeting	IP Co-Chairs consultation meeting	Regional & Stakeholder Groups meetings	Regional & Stakeholder Groups meetings	Regional & Stakeholder Groups meetings	Regional & Stakeholder Groups meetings	Regional & Stakeholder Groups meetings
10.00 am - 1.00 pm	Briefing on promoting integrated chemicals and waste management beyond 2020	Regional and Stakeholder Groups meetings	<b>Agenda Item 1</b> <b>Agenda Item 2</b> <b>Agenda Item 3</b>	<b>Agenda Item 3</b> <i>continued</i>	<b>Agenda Item 3</b> <i>continued</i>	<b>Agenda Item 3</b> <i>continued</i>	<b>Agenda Item 3</b> <i>continued</i>
1.00 pm - 3.00 pm	Regional and Stakeholder Groups meetings	Regional and Stakeholder Groups meetings	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
3.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Regional and Stakeholder Groups meetings	Briefing on financial resources for chemicals and waste management	<b>Agenda Item 3</b> <i>continued</i>	<b>Agenda Item 3</b> <i>continued</i>	<b>Agenda Item 3</b> <i>continued</i>	<b>Agenda Item 3</b> <i>continued</i>	<b>Agenda Item 4</b> <b>Agenda Item 5</b> <b>Agenda Item 6</b>
4.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Briefing on scene setting for beyond 2020						
6:30 pm - onwards							<b>Bureau meeting</b> 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm