

## Co-facilitators Explanatory note on targets<sup>1</sup>

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Targets which should be covered under following Strategic Objectives were discussed on the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2022, in the Thematic Group 1 on *Vision, scope, principles and approaches, strategic objectives, and targets*,:

- Strategic Objective A: [Countries have] [Stakeholders have] the capacity, legal framework and institutional mechanisms in place to [support] [achieve] the [integrated] [sound] management of chemicals and [associated] waste [throughout the life cycle] and
- Strategic Objective E: The sound management of chemicals and [associated] waste is [transparently and accountably] integrated in [all] relevant decision-processes [by stakeholders] [for] [sustainable development, financing and business]

The co-facilitators took note of some of the outstanding issues on the following topics:

Target A2 – [A Code of Conduct on chemicals and waste management incorporating, the elements of the OOG, is developed and countries have incorporated its provision in their national legislation]. Many participants identified the target as a high-priority target, while many others participants strongly supported that this could be covered under other targets or as an indicator.

Target A5 – [By 2030, all countries have prohibited the export of substances that they have prohibited nationally]. Some delegations expressed explicit reservations on wording to reflect legal constraints that can be found at national level and expressed the need to adapt the text.

Target A6 – [By 2030 all countries have poison information centres that adequately respond to poisonings and if possible networks as well as access to training on chemical risk prevention and clinical toxicology and at least one clinical toxicology service]. There was a common understanding for a need for a target on health, and also wide support to cover specific groups, e.g., women, children, workers, vulnerable groups

Target A7 – [By 2030, the use of Highly Hazardous Pesticides is eliminated from agriculture].

Target is pending further discussions on Issues of Concern. Many participants identified this as a priority target, while others found that there is no point in listing all the issues of concerns and this target should be looked again since there are still pending discussions on Issues of Concern.

Target D7 – [As for 20XX Governments and companies ensure effective occupational health and safety practices as well as environmental protection measures in the chemicals sectors and throughout the supply chain.] Some participants identified that this target could be moved to strategic objective A, while others insisted keeping the target under Strategic Objective D. It was a common understanding that many targets may support more than one Strategic Objective.

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<sup>1</sup> Text of the Strategic Objectives is provided as discussed during IP4.

Target E3 – [*Financial and non-financial resources needed to achieve [support] the sound management of chemicals [and waste] are identified and mobilized in all sectors by and for all stakeholders.*] and E5 – [*Regarding internalization of costs/cost recovery mechanism*]. There were diverse views about those targets. There was discussion that they may be merged and that financial issues are also depending on the outcomes of the discussion on financial issues.

Target E6 – [*All stakeholders identify and strengthen synergies and linkages between chemicals [and] [waste] and other environmental, health and societal priorities, such as climate change, biodiversity, human rights, universal health coverage and primary health care.*] Many participants identified it as a priority target. There were also many views that this can also be considered as an indicator or merged with other targets.