



STRATEGIC APPROACH TO INTERNATIONAL CHEMICALS MANAGEMENT



The Strategic Approach and Sound Management of Chemicals and Waste - Beyond 2020

IP Co-Chairs consultation process to further develop the IP Co-Chairs single consolidated document and discuss other key documents in advance of the resumed IP4 meeting

Objectives of the meeting on 1 November 2022:

- to share some high-level reflections
- to inform participants of the substantive issues to be considered at IP4.2 to provide a full set of “recommendations” to ICCM 5
- to provide an overview of and to discuss the proposed IP co-chairs consultation process and related timelines



Co-Chairs reflections and legal revision comments:

- Does the consolidated text help us achieve our vision?
- Level of detail on processes varies across the document.
- There are some gaps where additional text is required.
- There is a lack of cohesion between some of the activities and processes.
- Some parts of the document may need to be more easily amended than other.

Legal revision comments:

- The document requires significant editing.
- Acronyms should be spelled out.
- Terminology should be explained and be consistent.
- The correct UN terminology has to be identified and corrected.
- The document structure is consistent with other Conventions.



Consultation questions:

- What are the gaps, enhancements or improvements to be made in the text?
- Does the text adequately strengthen and enhance sectoral and multistakeholder engagement and ownership including for the private sector?
- Does the text fully reflect the ways of working and responsibilities of all stakeholders?
- Could the placement of some text in the document be modified, or moved out of the consolidated text and into a resolution?
- What parts of the document could be considered static versus dynamic i.e., be more easily amended?



Additional recommendations for discussions at the resumed IP4 meeting:

- A policy resolution from ICCM5 on the name and adoption of the new framework.
- An omnibus resolution from ICCM5 on transitional arrangement and early implementation.
- We propose that the IP Co-Chairs prepare a draft text by 15 December 2022.
- Do you agree?

Timeline:

- Tuesday, 1 November 2022: IP Co-Chairs provide an overview of the consultation process with its objectives and relevant timelines.
- 4 November - 2 December 2022: Review period. Consolidated comments from constituencies to be submitted to the SAICM Secretariat via the Bureau.
- 15 December 2022: The update on the consultation process and a draft text on additional recommendations will be provided at the ICCM5 Bureau meeting that will also discuss the way forward ahead of the resumed IP4.
- Following the posting of the documents for the resumed IP4 at the SAICM IP4 website in mid-January 2023, virtual regional briefings will be organized by the SAICM Secretariat in January/February 2023 in consultation with the Bureau members to present the documents.



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