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# Challenges and options for funding the sound management of chemicals and waste

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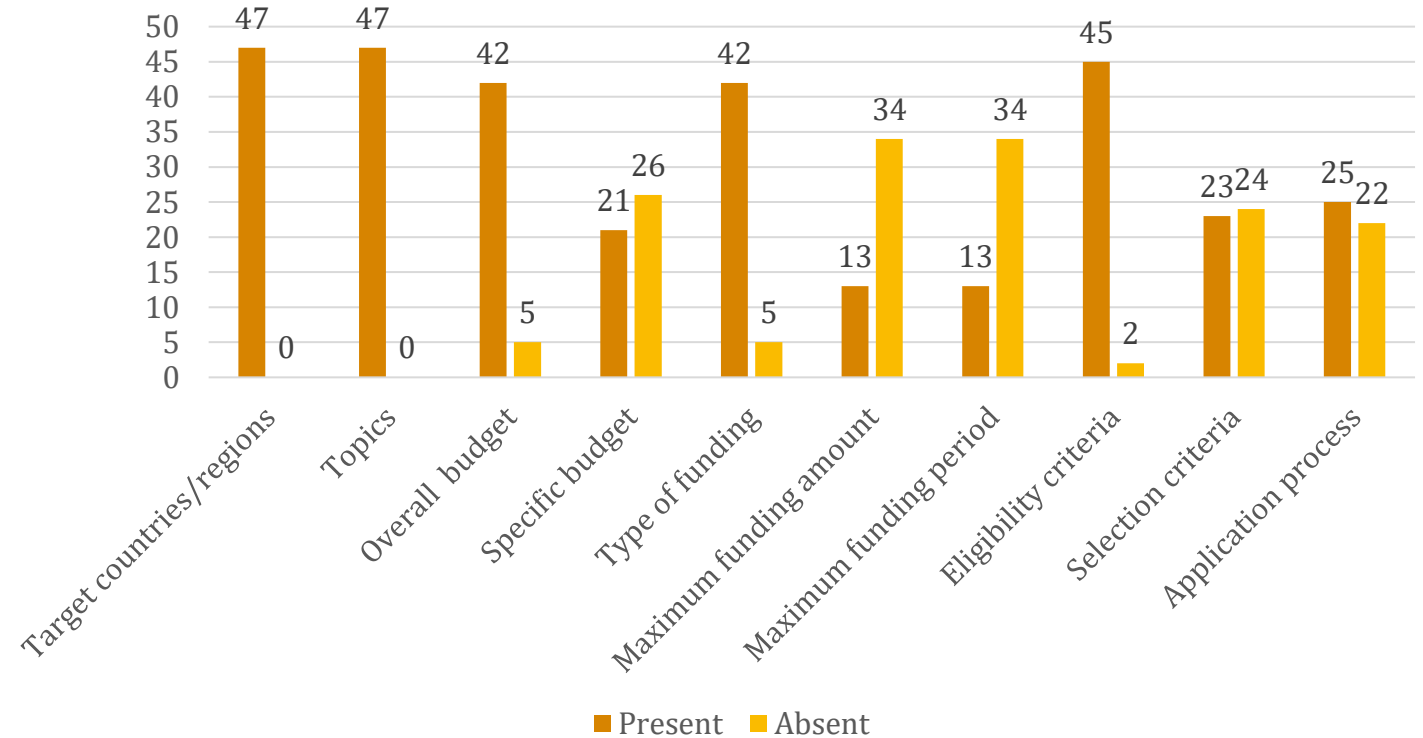
## The challenges

- Lack of capacity to develop and implement Sound Chemicals and Waste Management policies and programmes (1)
- Institutional fragmentation
- Fragmentation of funding sources (2)
- Incomplete information about possible funding sources

- 1) SAICM/IP.3/INF/4, Submission from the German Environment Agency – Enhancing the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020
- 2) SAICM/IP.4/INF/24, Possible funding sources for the sound management of chemicals and waste. Submission by the German Environment Agency

## Analytical categories: presence/absence of information

Category	Present	Absent
Name of organisation	47	0
Type of organisation	47	0
Sustainability field	47	0
Target countries/regions	47	0
Topics	47	0
Overall budget	42	5
Specific budget	20	27
Type of funding	42	5
Maximum funding amount	12	35
Maximum funding period	10	37
Eligibility criteria	45	2
Selection criteria	21	26
Application process	25	22



SAICM/IP.4/INF/24, Possible funding sources for the sound management of chemicals and waste.

## General conclusions

- The study presents an overview that allows countries to identify which entities may support them. It does so, based on the information that the websites of 47 entities contain with regard to which topics may be funded, in which countries and regions, who is eligible for the funding and in which way the funding is provided
- Further research will certainly increase the number of entities, thus broadening the options for developing countries to access funding sources
- A number of categories of information of the study are presently less well documented and could benefit from further research
- Additional comparison of variables and terminology may provide clarification and increase the understanding and the comparability of the categories

## How others have addressed the challenges

- Clearing house (CBD, UNFCCC)
- Facilitating network (UNFF)
- Help desk (UNFCCC)
- Portal (UNFCCC)
- Platform (UNFCCC)
- Marketplace (UNCCD)

## General descriptions

- Promote the design of financing strategies for resource mobilisation (UNFF)
- Facilitate access to financing mechanisms (UNFF)
- Serve as clearing house on existing, new and emerging financing opportunities (UNFF)
- Promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation through effective information services (CBD Clearing-House Mechanism)
- Platform to exchange information (CBD Biosafety Clearing-House and Access and Benefit-Sharing Clearing-House)
- Repository of information (UNFCCC Fiji Clearing House for Risk Transfer)
- Collaboration platform to ask questions and raise issues (UNFCCC Green House Gas Help Desk)
- Technical resources for implementing arrangements (UNFCCC Measurement, Reporting and Verification/Transparency helpdesk)
- Interactive tool that gathers and presents active information (UNFCCC Capacity-Building Portal)
- Exchange of experiences and good practices (UNFCCC Knowledge Platform)
- Public space where science, technology, and human capital resources are brought together in one location to work toward implementing the Convention (UNCCD Capacity Building Marketplace)

## Key characteristics

- Clearing houses vary from a rather passive information repository (UNFCCC Fiji CH), over a more active form of information exchange (CBD BCH and ABSCH), to being a tool for promoting cooperation (CBD CHM)
- Portals and platforms seem to be very similar to clearing houses that are characterised by an exchange of information function
- The only example of a marketplace indicates a public space of general cooperation for the implementation of the convention
- Help desks seem to be the most practical action oriented because they are a place to ask specific questions and raise particular issues with regard to well-defined aspects of convention implementation
- The Facilitating Network of UNFF combines clearinghouse and help desk functions, specifically for the financial dimension of an agreement (information, access, strategies)

## We would like to hear from you

- What are your most urgent needs, e.g.:
  - Capacity-building
  - Institutional strengthening
  - Technology transfer
  - Technical assistance
  - Investment
  
- What kind of service/support do you expect?



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

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