

**8th Africa regional meeting on the
Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management**
Siegburg-Bonn, 21 – 22 September 2023

Annotations to the provisional agenda

Item 1: Opening of the meeting

1. The regional meetings on the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management will be opened in a joint plenary session by the President of the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM5), and a representative of the SAICM Secretariat on Thursday, 21 September 2023 at 9.30 a.m.

(a) Setting the scene for the resumed IP4 meeting

2. The Co-Chairs of the Intersessional Process will set the scene for the resumed fourth meeting of the Intersessional Process considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 that will take place on 23 and 24 September 2023 at the World Conference Center Bonn (WCCB) in Bonn.

(b) Setting the scene for the ICCM5 meeting

3. The President of the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management will provide highlights for the fifth Conference of ICCM that will take place in Bonn from 25 to 29 September 2023 at the WCCB in Bonn, with a High-level Segment (HLS) to take place on 28 and 29 September 2023 at a time to be agreed.

(c) Substantial and logistic information from the Secretariat

4. The Strategic Approach secretariat will provide an overall presentation of the IP4 and ICCM5 documents.

5. The Strategic Approach secretariat will present logistic information for the resumed fourth meeting of the Intersessional Process considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 and for the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management.

Item 2: Organizational matters

6. The plenary session of the regional meetings on Thursday, 21 September 2023, as well as regional meetings for the Africa, Asia-Pacific, Central and Eastern Europe and Latin America and Caribbean regions will take place at Rhein Sieg Forum, Bachstraße 1, 53721 Siegburg, Germany.

7. On Thursday 21 and Friday 22 September 2023, participants will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with a lunch break and two coffee breaks – one in the morning and one in the afternoon,

respectively, in accordance with the tentative programme as set out in Annex 2 to the annotated provisional agenda.

8. On Thursday 21 September 2023 a joint plenary session for all regions will take place at 9.30 a.m., and the regions will resume their regional meetings as soon as the joint session is over.

9. Regional meetings are expected to be chaired by regional representatives in the ICCM5 Bureau.

(a) Adoption of the agenda

10. Participants may wish to adopt the provisional agenda as set out in document SAICM/RM/AFR.8/1/Add.1.

(b) Objectives and expected outcome of the SAICM regional meeting

11. As part of this agenda item, the regional representative will provide an overview of the overall objectives and expected outcomes of the regional meeting.

12. Meeting documents, presented in Annex 1 to this annotated provisional agenda have been provided to meeting participants in English only. Interpretation English-French will be provided.

Item 3: Substantive preparation for the fourth meeting of the intersessional process considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 and the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management

13. Regional representatives will lead discussion on the substantial preparation for the fourth meeting of the Intersessional Process considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 and the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management.

Item 4: Exchange of regional information and knowledge, reviewing progress towards the current SAICM objectives

14. 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. This agenda item will be facilitated by the regional representative and participants may wish to share information on activities and initiatives that support the current SAICM objectives taking place within the region.

Item 5: Other matters

15. Participants may wish to consider any other business under this agenda item.

Item 6: Closure of the meeting

16. The meeting is expected to close by 6 p.m. on Friday, 22 September 2023.

Annex 1. Meeting documents:

Working documents:

1. **SAICM/IP.4/INF/1/Rev.4:** Scenario note prepared by the co-chairs of the intersessional process
2. **SAICM/IP.4/1/Add.1/Rev.3** – Annotations to the provisional agenda
3. **SAICM/IP.4/12:** Intersessional Process Consolidated Document
4. **SAICM/IP.4/13:** Draft Resolutions of the International Conference on Chemicals Management at its fifth session
5. **SAICM/ICCM.5/1** – Provisional agenda
6. **SAICM/ICCM.5/1/Add.1** – Annotated provisional agenda
7. **SAICM/ICCM.5/2** - Scenario note
8. **SAICM/ICCM.5/3** - Activities and staffing of the secretariat

In-session documents:

1. **SAICM/IP.4/CRP.7/Rev.1:** Proposed CRP on measurability (Revised)

Information documents:

1. **SAICM/IP.4/INF/39/Rev.1:** Inventory and analysis report: existing indicators on chemicals and waste management (Revised)
2. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/1:** Independent Evaluation of the Strategic Approach from 2006 - 2015 (submitted by the SAICM secretariat)
3. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/2:** Progress in strategic approach implementation for 2017 - 2022 (submitted by the SAICM secretariat)
4. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/3:** Capacity-building and the sound management of chemicals and waste: Key messages and recommendations for a capacity-building strategy for the new framework instrument (submitted by SAICM Secretariat/UNEP-WCMC)
5. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/4:** Reporting and the sound management of chemicals and waste: Study to inform the development of a reporting mechanism and process for SAICM beyond 2020 (submitted by SAICM Secretariat/UNEP-WCMC)
6. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/5:** Draft elements for a capacity-building strategy for the Beyond 2020 Framework Instrument (submitted by SAICM Secretariat/UNEP-WCMC)
7. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/6:** Activities of the Special Programme to support institutional strengthening at the national level for implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, the Minamata Convention on Mercury, and the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (submitted by the Special Programme secretariat)
8. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/7:** "Global Cross-sectoral Transparency System" (GCTS) for information on the identity of chemicals in materials and products - rationale for and clarification of the elements in the alt B2 target in the IP4.2 co-chair's consolidated document" (submitted by groundWork South Africa, Health and Environment Justice Support (HEJSupport), and the Swedish Society for Nature Conservation (SSNC))
9. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/8:** Assessment of effectiveness of Issue of Concern Implementation to Continue Work on a Particular Issue (submitted by a group of NGOs)
10. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/9:** Implementing SAICM: Challenges and Options for Funding the Sound Management of Chemicals and Waste (submitted by the German Environment Agency)
11. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/10:** Commitment Platforms and the Global Agenda for Chemicals and Waste Management (submitted by Sweden)
12. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/11:** ICCA's Proposal for the Establishment of a Platform for Capacity Building Hub in the Beyond 2020 Framework/Instrument (submitted by the International Council of Chemical Associations)
13. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/12:** IPEN Perspectives for ICCM5: towards a new instrument on chemicals and waste beyond 2020 (submitted by the International Pollutants Elimination Network (IPEN))
14. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/13:** Setting Boundaries to Protect Human Health and the Environment The Need for Strong Global Chemicals and Waste Management Beyond 2020 (submitted by the International Pollutants Elimination Network (IPEN))
15. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/14:** Outcome of preparatory work on a proposed Implementation Programme on integrating chemicals and waste management in economic and industry sectors and value chains

- (submitted by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) on behalf of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC))
16. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/15:** Beyond 2020 Global Chemicals Framework: a Sustainable Transition from HHPs. Recommendations from the Plant Science Industry (submitted by CropLife International)
 17. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/16:** IOMC Report on SAICM Emerging Policy Issues and Other Issues of Concern (submitted by the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC))
 18. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/17:** Ensuring the Sustainable Use of Pesticides (submitted by CropLife International)
 19. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/18:** The Sixth Chemical Footprint Project (CFP) Report - Setting Bold Chemical Footprint Reduction Goals (submitted by Clean Production Action)
 20. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/19:** Activities of the IOMC to support SAICM Implementation (submitted by the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC))
 21. **SAICM/ICCM.5/INF/20:** UNEP Interim Progress Report, to ICCM5, on UNEA's request to seek Stakeholders' Views on Priorities for Further Work and Potential Further International Action on 19 Issues of Concern (submitted by the United Nations Environment Programme)

Non-papers:

1. Non-paper on Strategic Objectives and Targets,
2. Non-paper on Financial Considerations, Financial Arrangements and Capacity Building,
3. Non-paper on Measurability structure

Annex 2. Tentative programme

Day 1: Thursday, 21 September 2023

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda item(s)</i>
8:00 – 9:30	Registration of participants
9:30 – 9:45	Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting
9:45 – 10:30	Agenda item 1: (a) Setting the scene for the resumed IP4 meeting
10:30 – 10:45	Agenda item 1: (b) Setting the scene for the ICCM5 meeting
10:45 – 11:00	Agenda item 1: (c) Substantial and logistic information from the Secretariat
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30 – 12:00	Agenda item 2: Organisational matters <i>Agenda item 2(a)</i> Adoption of the agenda <i>Agenda item 2(b)</i> Objectives and expected outcomes of the SAICM regional meeting
12:00-12:30	Agenda item 3: Substantive preparation for the fourth meeting of the intersessional process considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 and the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management
12:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:30 – 15:45	Agenda item 3 (Cont'd)
15:45 – 16:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:15 – 18:00	Agenda item 3 (Cont'd)

Day 2: Friday, 22 September 2023

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda item(s)</i>
9:30 – 10:30	Agenda item 3 (Cont'd):
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:00 – 12:30	Agenda item 3 (Cont'd):

12:30 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 15:45	Agenda item 3 (Cont'd):
15:45 – 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 – 17:00	Agenda item 4 Exchange of regional information and knowledge, reviewing progress towards the current SAICM objectives
17:00 – 17:15	Agenda item 5: Other matters
17:15 – 18:00	Agenda item 6: Closure of the meeting