

## Fifth Meeting of the Consultative Process on Financing Options for Chemicals and Wastes

6 to 7 October 2011, Bangkok, Thailand

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### *Concept and Scenario Note*

#### **Mandate and Meeting Objective**

The fifth meeting of the Consultative Process on Financing Options for Chemicals and Wastes is taking place in Bangkok, Thailand from 6 to 7 October 2011.

In line with decision *UNEP/GC.SS.XI/8*, the Executive Director of UNEP has been requested to submit the final report following the work of the Consultative Process on Financing Options for Chemicals and Wastes for consideration by the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum at its twelfth special session, in 2012 with the aim of achieving possible decisions at the third session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management, in 2012, and at the twenty-seventh session of the Governing Council, in 2013.

The fifth meeting of the Consultative Process, which is expected to be the last meeting of the Process, is expected to submit to the Executive Director of UNEP the outcome of its consideration.

The *objective* of the fifth meeting of the Consultative Process is to prepare and submit an *Outcome Document* presenting the deliberations of the Consultative Process and, in particular, the considerations at the fifth meeting of the Process on a proposal for an Integrated Approach to Financing Sound Management of Chemicals and Wastes.

#### **Background documents**

The following three background documents have been prepared for the fifth meeting of the Consultative Process, namely:

*1. A Proposal for an Integrated Approach to Financing Sound Management of Chemicals and Wastes.*

The document has been prepared by consultants under the guidance of the UNEP Secretariat. As requested at the fourth meeting, the co-chairs have worked with UNEP in preparing this background document for the meeting.

The document is aimed at responding to the following requests from the fourth meeting of the Consultative Process:

- a) further development of the elements on how to operationalize each track, including a list of the appropriate decision-making bodies to make use of each track and related timing; and
- b) the preparation of a matrix outlining the obligations under each convention in the chemicals and wastes cluster, in addition to SAICM with an indication of which track can fulfill the needs of parties seeking to meet those obligations. For the preparation of the document, Parties were invited to submit comments to the Secretariat.

*2. Overview of different types of funds under the GEF Secretariat*

The document has been prepared by the GEF Secretariat based on an offer from the GEF Secretariat to submit an information document on the various types of funds that that secretariat is managing, including the role of GEF in administering the Adaptation Fund.

*3. Further Analysis of the Possible Financing Track "New trust fund similar to the Multilateral Fund" for the sound management of chemicals and wastes*

Following consultations with the MLF and related experts, the document has been prepared in response to a request for a further analysis on a new trust fund for the chemicals and wastes sector similar to the Multilateral Fund and to complement the considerations contained in the document entitled "*A Proposal for an Integrated Approach to Financing Sound Management of Chemicals and Wastes*" and related annexes.

## **Scenario for the fifth meeting of the Consultative Process**

In line with the decision at the fourth meeting of the Consultative Process on Financing Options on Chemicals and Wastes held in New York from 4 to 5 May 2011, the fifth meeting will be co-chaired by Ms. Johanna Lissinger-Peitz (Sweden) and Mr. Damaso Luna (Mexico).

### Opening of the meeting

The meeting will commence at 9.30 a.m. on 6 October 2011. The Co-Chairs will welcome all representatives in attendance, and the meeting will be *opened* by a representative of the Executive Director of UNEP.

### Organizational matters

The Co-Chairs will present the *Provisional Agenda* and present for adoption by the meeting the proposed organization of work.

### Presentation and discussion on the Proposal for an Integrated Approach to Financing Sound Management of Chemicals and Wastes

The UNEP Secretariat will be invited to provide an introduction to and overview of the Consultative Process on Financing Options on Chemicals and Wastes. The presentation by the Secretariat will also include an overview on the evolution and progress from the 10+ tracks as contained in the Preliminary Desk Study on Financing Options for Chemicals and Wastes towards an Integrated Approach to Financing Sound Management of Chemicals and Wastes.

The Co-chairs will invite the consultants to present the background document entitled: *A Proposal for an Integrated Approach to Financing Sound Management of Chemicals and Wastes*. In presenting the document the consultants will be invited to focus on the proposal for an integrated approach, including the related analysis, parameters, key considerations and the operational aspects of the approach and for each of the four tracks.

Following the presentation, the participants will be invited by the co-chairs to provide comments and questions as well as to seek clarifications from the consultants to the document as a whole, including the individual tracks as well as the proposal for an integrated approach. This general debate is expected to serve as a contribution towards elaborating the input to the *Outcome Document* for the Consultative Process.

### Discussion and preparation of the Outcome Document of the Consultative Process on Financing Options for Chemicals and Wastes

Following the general debate, the co-chairs will ask the participants to turn their attention to chapter 6 and 7 of the document with the aim of having a focused discussion on those two chapters. The expectation is that the two chapters combined with the additional information received during the general debate as well as the focused discussion on the two chapters will inform the content of the *Outcome Document*.

In preparation for the meeting, participants are kindly asked to focus on which components and building blocks they wish to see as part of the *Outcome Document* taking into account the background documents for this meeting as well as discussions until now.

Following the conclusion of this focused discussion, the co-chairs, with the support of the Secretariat, will prepare the draft *Outcome Document* for consideration by the participants. The *Outcome Document* is intended to present in concise manner the ideas presented and discussed by the participants during the Consultative Process. The document is not intended to present a full consensus view among the participants nor to put forward recommendations for consideration by the UNEP Executive Director.

### Conclusions and next steps

The participants are expected to adopt the *Outcome Document* for submission by the co-chairs, on behalf of the Consultative Process, to the UNEP Executive Director.

### Other matters

Before concluding the meeting the co-chairs and the participants may raise any other matters relevant to the Consultative Process.

Closure of the meeting

Following any final interventions of general nature and remarks by the representative of the UNEP Executive Director, the meeting will be closed by the co-chairs.