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1. Name of the Regional Centre submitting the report

Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Algeria (SCRC Algeria)
Basel Convention Regional Centre for Arab States in Egypt (BCRC Egypt)
Basel/Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for French Speaking countries in Africa (BCRC/SCRC Senegal)
Basel/Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for English speaking countries in Africa (BCRC/SCRC South Africa)
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Kenya (SCRC Kenya)
Basel Convention Coordinating Centre for the African Region in Nigeria (BCCC Africa)
Basel/Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for the Asia and Pacific (BCRC/SCRC China)
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in India (SCRC India)
Basel/Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for South East Asia in Indonesia (BCRC/SCRC Indonesia)
Basel/Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Iran (BCRC/SCRC Iran)
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Kuwait (SCRC Kuwait)
Pacific Regional Centre for the Joint Implementation of the Basel and Waigani Conventions (BCRC/SPREP)
Basel Convention Regional Centre for the South American Region in Argentina (BCRC Argentina)
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Brazil (SCRC Brazil)
Basel Convention Regional Centre for the Caribbean Region (BCRC Caribbean)
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Mexico (SCRC Mexico)
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Panama (SCRC Panama)
*** Basel/Stockholm Convention Coordinating/Regional Centre for LAC Region in Uruguay (BCCC/SCRC Uruguay) ***
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Czech Republic (SCRC Czech Republic)
Basel Convention Regional Centre for Central Europe in Slovakia (BCRC Slovakia)
Basel Convention Regional Centre in Russian Federation (BCRC Russia)
Nominated Stockholm Convention Centre in Russian Federation (NSCC Russia)
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Spain (SCRC Spain)

2. Please provide details about the reporting period and submission

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Date of submission:
1/17/2023

Reporting period from:
1/1/2021

Reporting period to:
12/31/2022

3. Goal(s) description

- 1- To support countries to strengthen their capacity for the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions by training, information exchange and technology transfer.
- 2- Strengthen the Center's position within GRULAC Region as fundamental linkage to assistance Parties to comply with the requirements of the Conventions.
- 3- Being a linkage between the BRS Secretariat and Minamata Secretariat and GRULAC Region.

4. Specific objectives

- Training in the requirements established by the Conventions to be fulfilled by Parties, changes in the annexes, new incorporations (for example new POPs), creation of new partnerships (HWP, PACE, ENFORCE, PWP).
- Knowledge dissemination and awareness raising activities on the implementation of the Conventions.
- Training in new Conventions' Guidelines.
- Strengthening the image of the Center as a strategic actor in technical assistance for the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam, Stockholm and Minamata Conventions.
- Resources mobilization to assist countries to meet the BRS Conventions' objectives.

5. Kindly give details on the strategies that were taken in order to implement the business plan/workplan

	Strategies	What was done
Endorsement/involvement of the beneficiaries (list applicable activities/projects or the entire plan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Fluid communication with GRULAC countries.- Present the Centre's duties on events.- Meetings with GRULAC stakeholders (face to face or virtual).- Publication in our web all news, projects and activities.- Dissemination of BCCC-SCRC activities worldwide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mailing to all GRULAC countries Focal Points of the different Conventions served by our Centre when our business plan/workplan was in elaboration.- Mailing to all GRULAC's stakeholders asking for needs and technical assistance.- Side Events at INC 1 on Plastic
Identification of potential donors/funds/agencies (list the funding sources that were identified)	Meeting with UNITAR/UNEP/GEF/UNIDO and Commonwealth Scientific and	Meeting at any opportunity (Video calls, COP, Workshops, email).

**Industrial Research
 Organisation(CSIRO)
 Swedish Chemical Agency (KEMI).
 International Sustainable Chemistry
 Collaborative Centre (ISC3).
 School of Environment, Tsinghua
 University, Beijing (Zero Waste Cities).
 Meeting with possible donor Countries
 Switzerland, Germany and USA.**

Preparation of effective grant proposals (list the project proposals that were prepared and submitted)	Second call for PWP pilot project proposals	Presentation of 4 Pilot Projects (Ecuador, Peru, Uruguay and one regional, April 2022.
Any other activities..	Not answered	Not answered

6. Please provide a list of activities implemented

Activity 1 - Name

Household Waste Partnership

Activity 2 - Name

Regional meeting for the Latin American and the Caribbean region for the preparation to the 2022 face-to-face segment of the meetings of the conferences of the Parties (COPs) to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm (BRS) conventions.

Activity 3 - Name

Regional meeting for the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM)

Activity 4 - Name

Plastic Waste Partnership

Activity 5 - Name

Plastic Waste Partnership Face to Face Meeting

Activity 6 - Name

First session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC 1) to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (Switzerland)

Activity 7 - Name

First session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC 1) to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (UNEP)

Activity 8 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC)

Activity 9 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in lead in paint

Activity 10 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in Promote implementation of the Global Harmonized System (GHS)

Activity 11 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in enhance knowledge and awareness of the environment dimensions of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) in the LAC region

Activity 12 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in Chemical Risk Assessment and Management.

Activity 13 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in development of a report on existing laboratory capacities in the LAC region

Activity 14 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC), Identification and dissemination of regulatory and policy updates and integrated management of chemical products in the LAC region

Activity 15 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC), identification and compilation of the best practices on mainstreaming of chemical and waste into national development plans, strategies and budgeting processes.

Activity 16 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC), Promote awareness of decision-makers.

Activity 17 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC), Communication gaps on chemicals and waste and development of awareness raising materials.

Activity 18 - Name

Addressing Marine Litter and plastic pollution through increased knowledge and cooperation in Southern Atlantic countries.

Activity 19 - Name

Development of Minamata Initial Assessment in Cuba.

Activity 20 - Name

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15 in Honduras”

Activity 21 - Name

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15 in Saint Lucia”

Activity 22 - Name

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15 in in Republic of Moldova”

Activity 23 - Name

“Accelerating the implementation of the chemicals and waste Multilateral Environmental Agreements and achieving the targets of related Sustainable Development Goals for improved human health and a clean environment”

Activity 24 - Name

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15” (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item: Promoting the information exchange and capacity building on the project outputs.

Activity 25 - Name

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15” (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item: Promoting the capacity building and information exchange on the general considerations for setting up national mechanisms for NIP development/update and reporting, as well as for priority setting under the NIP development/update.

Activity 26 - Name

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15” (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item: * Promoting the use of the integrated articles 7 and 15 electronic toolkit.

Activity 27 - Name

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15” (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item: * Support strengthening regional and national capacities and conduct pilot test to strengthen regional coordination on sustainable monitoring of POPs.

Activity 28 - Name

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15” (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item: * * Support the development of communication materials technical reports related to the Stockholm Convention and UNEA.

Activity 29 - Name

“Global Development, Review and Update of National Implementation Plans (NIPs) under the Stockholm Convention (SC) on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)”

Activity 30 - Name

“Global Development, Review and Update of National Implementation Plans (NIPs) under the Stockholm Convention (SC) on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)” Global Component

Activity 1 Name:

Household Waste Partnership

7. Activity information

Project number

Not Applicable

Project duration (in month)

24

Start date

1/1/2021

End date

1/1/2021

Planned start date
1/1/2021

Planned end date
1/1/2021

8. To which convention this activity is reported for?

*** Basel Convention (BC) ***

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

9. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

*** Global benefit not limited to countries ***

10. Select country(ies) (hidden)

Number of beneficiary country(ies)
Not answered

11. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

*** English ***

French

Russian

*** Spanish ***

Other : (Please specify)

12. Means of verification for language(s)

<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/HouseholdWastePartnerships/Overview/tabid/5082/Default.aspx>

Emails

Reports

13. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
5000

14. Funding source(s):

Donor name
Uruguay Government

Amount in USD
5000

Means of verification
Gabriela Medina participation in all activities involved

15. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
BRS Secretariat

Country
United Nations Switzerland

Means of verification
<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/HouseholdWastePartnership/Overview/tabid/5082/Default.aspx>

16. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The household waste partnership is responsible for overseeing organizational matters pertaining to the implementation of the partnership's activities, including the establishment of project groups and the review of their work products and reports, serving as a forum for information sharing and taking the lead in awareness-raising, outreach and coordination in relation to activities undertaken by the partnership.

- Co-chair of the HHW Partnership together with Mauritius Government.
- Presentation of the work under the HHW Partnership in plenary at COP 15th of the Basel Convention.
- Revision of all documents emerged of the HHW Partnership, October – November 2021.
- Participation in the intersessional working group and pilot projects, January 2021 – December 2022.

Outcomes:

<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/HouseholdWastePartnership/Overview/tabid/5082/Default.aspx>
<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/HouseholdWastePartnership/OverallGuidanceDocument/tabid/8227/Default.aspx>

17. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

18. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* A. Training activities that impart hands on skills *

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

* C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

19. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

20. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. *

BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

* BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. *

* BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. *

* BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. *

* BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

* BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

*** BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. ***

21. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

22. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 2 Name:

Regional meeting for the Latin American and the Caribbean region for the preparation to the 2022 face-to-face segment of the meetings of the conferences of the Parties (COPs) to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm (BRS) conventions.

23. Activity information

Project number

Project number BRS-PCA-2205. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701914

Project duration (in month)

5

Start date

4/4/2022

End date

9/30/2022

Planned start date

4/4/2022

Planned end date

9/30/2022

24. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)
Stockholm Convention (SC)
*** Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC) ***
Other : (Please specify)

25. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

26. Select country(ies) (hidden)

*** Antigua and Barbuda ***
*** Argentina ***
*** Bahamas ***
*** Barbados ***
*** Belize ***
*** Bolivia (Plurinational State of) ***
*** Brazil ***
*** Chile ***
*** Colombia ***
*** Costa Rica ***
*** Cuba ***
*** Dominica ***
*** Dominican Republic ***
*** Ecuador ***
*** El Salvador ***
*** Grenada ***
*** Guatemala ***
*** Guyana ***
*** Haiti ***
*** Honduras ***
*** Jamaica ***
*** Mexico ***
*** Nicaragua ***
*** Panama ***
*** Paraguay ***
*** Peru ***
*** Saint Kitts and Nevis ***
*** Saint Lucia ***
*** Saint Vincent and the Grenadines ***
*** Suriname ***
*** Trinidad and Tobago ***
*** Uruguay ***
*** Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) ***

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

27. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* English *

French

Russian

* Spanish *

Other : (Please specify)

28. Means of verification for language(s)

Meeting documents, final reports.

The workshop documents and presentation are in the following link:

<http://www.brsmeas.org/20212022COPs/RegionalPreparatoryMeetings/COP2021regionalprepmtgGRULAC/tabid/8805/language/en-US/Default.aspx>

29. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

253429

30. Funding source(s):

Donor name

BRS Secretariats/UNEP

Amount in USD

173515

Means of verification

Signed PCA, Financial Report.

253429 USD Total budget.

173515 USD for BRS Meeting.

31. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

BRS Secretariats/UNEP

Country

Switzerland

Means of verification

Signed PCA.

32. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The objective of this Project is to establish a contract to cover the aspects required for the organization and conduct of a regional preparatory meeting for the 2022 face-to-face segment of the meetings of the Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions for the Latin American and the Caribbean region from 3-5 May 2022 in Montevideo, Uruguay for up to 58 (Fifty-Eight) sponsored participants and 100 (One Hundred) non-sponsored participants. Furthermore, the agreement is to cover a back-to-back regional meeting of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management from 6-7 May 2022 in Montevideo, Uruguay, for up to 36 (Thirty-Six) sponsored participants and 24 (Twenty-Four) non-sponsored participants. It is assumed for budgeting purposes that six participants would be attending both meetings.

Activities developed by the BCCC-SCRC:

- Organize, secure and pay for adequate logistical arrangements for the meetings, including a suitable venue equipped with adequate facilities;
- Arrange and pay for interpretation services (English-Spanish) to be provided at the meetings including any necessary equipment to be used (interpretation booths, headsets).
- Prepare a logistical information note on the country and the venue for the meetings, including COVID-19 related information and transportation options from the airport to the venue and vice-versa;
- Arrange and pay for air tickets, reserve and pay for accommodation for confirmed sponsored participants, making use of the list of confirmed participants as communicated by BRS/UNEP for the BRS regional preparatory meeting and the SAICM Secretariat for the SAICM regional meeting, in accordance with the applicable United Nations financial rules and regulations; Prepare a report on sponsored participants per meeting, indicating each participant's name, nationality, gender and payments made for tickets, DSA and details of any other expenses paid;
- Arrange and pay Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) to confirmed sponsored participants and obtain copies of supporting documentation as requested by BRS/UNEP, making use of the list of confirmed participants and the DSA roster prepared by BRS/UNEP for the BRS regional preparatory meeting and the SAICM Secretariat for the SAICM regional meeting and in accordance with the United Nations financial rules and regulations;
- Assist participants in their requests for visas, as needed, in cooperation with the host country, making use of the list of confirmed participants as communicated by BRS/UNEP for the BRS regional preparatory meeting and the SAICM Secretariat for the SAICM regional meeting and copies of supporting identification documents; assist participants in complying with COVID-19 related entry requirements into Uruguay;
- Prepare and finalize, subject to the prior approval of BRS/UNEP, the meeting materials, including banners, badges, name plates and other materials, and print meeting documents as needed for meeting participants;
- Register participants at the opening of the meetings and prepare the list of participants having attended the meeting;
- Report to BRS/UNEP on the costs of each participant per meeting, showing the names, nationalities and gender of all funded participants, as well as separately their costs for ticket, DSA and terminals and any other costs;
- Provide support on the technical issues during the meetings;
- Make the necessary arrangements, including financial arrangements, to provide refreshments during the coffee breaks for all participants attending the meetings;
- Provide other such reasonable input as may be required by BRS/UNEP and within a reasonable time to enable it to carry out its obligations under this Agreement and/or ensure effective operation of the meeting;
- Make arrangements to provide sufficient staff, including administrative and secretarial staff, to support the meetings;
- Enter into other such administrative and/or contractual arrangements as may be reasonably required for the effective completion of the responsibilities under the present Agreement, as agreed with BRS/UNEP;
- Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic and related uncertainties on whether the meetings can be held in a face-to-face format, arrangements should to the extent possible be made with a possibility to cancel them either free of cost or at a partial cost only.
- Elaborate final report.
- Perform external audit.
- Elaborate final financial report.

All the activities have been finished and the project is closed.

33. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

34. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

35. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

36. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

*** SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; ***

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;
SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;
SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

*** SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants. ***

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*** BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment ***

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37. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

38. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 3 Name:

Regional meeting for the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM)

39. Activity information

Project number

BRS-PCA-2205. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701914

Project duration (in month)

5

Start date

4/4/2022

End date

9/30/2022

Planned start date

4/4/2022

Planned end date

9/30/2022

40. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

SAICM

41. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

42. Select country(ies) (hidden)

- * **Antigua and Barbuda** *
- * **Argentina** *
- * **Bahamas** *
- * **Barbados** *
- * **Belize** *
- * **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *
- * **Brazil** *
- * **Chile** *
- * **Colombia** *
- * **Costa Rica** *
- * **Cuba** *
- * **Dominica** *
- * **Dominican Republic** *
- * **Ecuador** *
- * **El Salvador** *
- * **Grenada** *
- * **Guatemala** *
- * **Guyana** *
- * **Haiti** *
- * **Honduras** *
- * **Jamaica** *
- * **Mexico** *
- * **Nicaragua** *
- * **Panama** *
- * **Paraguay** *
- * **Peru** *
- * **Saint Kitts and Nevis** *
- * **Saint Lucia** *
- * **Saint Vincent and the Grenadines** *
- * **Suriname** *
- * **Trinidad and Tobago** *
- * **Uruguay** *
- * **Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

43. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

* **Spanish** *

Other : (Please specify)

44. Means of verification for language(s)

Meeting documents, final reports.

The workshop documents and presentation are in the following link:
<http://www.saicm.org/Implementation/Regionalactivities/tabid/6050/Default.aspx>

45. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
253429

46. Funding source(s):

Donor name
BRS Secretariats/UNEP

Amount in USD
79914

Means of verification
PCA, Financial Report

47. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
BRS Secretariats/UNEP

Country
Switzerland

Means of verification
PCA, Financial Report.

48. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The objective of this Project is to establish a contract to cover the aspects required for the organization and conduct of a regional preparatory meeting for the 2022 face-to-face segment of the meetings of the Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions for the Latin American and the Caribbean region from 3-5 May 2022 in Montevideo, Uruguay for up to 58 (Fifty-Eight) sponsored participants and 100 (One Hundred) non-sponsored participants. Furthermore, the agreement is to cover a back-to-back regional meeting of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management from 6-7 May 2022 in Montevideo, Uruguay, for up to 36 (Thirty-Six) sponsored participants and 24 (Twenty-Four) non-sponsored participants. It is assumed for budgeting purposes that six participants would be attending both meetings.

Activities developed by the BCCC-SCRC:

- Organize, secure and pay for adequate logistical arrangements for the meetings, including a suitable venue equipped with adequate facilities;

- Arrange and pay for interpretation services (English-Spanish) to be provided at the meetings including any necessary equipment to be used (interpretation booths, headsets).
 - Prepare a logistical information note on the country and the venue for the meetings, including COVID-19 related information and transportation options from the airport to the venue and vice-versa;
 - Arrange and pay for air tickets, reserve and pay for accommodation for confirmed sponsored participants, making use of the list of confirmed participants as communicated by BRS/UNEP for the BRS regional preparatory meeting and the SAICM Secretariat for the SAICM regional meeting, in accordance with the applicable United Nations financial rules and regulations; Prepare a report on sponsored participants per meeting, indicating each participant's name, nationality, gender and payments made for tickets, DSA and details of any other expenses paid;
 - Arrange and pay Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) to confirmed sponsored participants and obtain copies of supporting documentation as requested by BRS/UNEP, making use of the list of confirmed participants and the DSA roster prepared by BRS/UNEP for the BRS regional preparatory meeting and the SAICM Secretariat for the SAICM regional meeting and in accordance with the United Nations financial rules and regulations;
 - Assist participants in their requests for visas, as needed, in cooperation with the host country, making use of the list of confirmed participants as communicated by BRS/UNEP for the BRS regional preparatory meeting and the SAICM Secretariat for the SAICM regional meeting and copies of supporting identification documents; assist participants in complying with COVID-19 related entry requirements into Uruguay;
 - Prepare and finalize, subject to the prior approval of BRS/UNEP, the meeting materials, including banners, badges, name plates and other materials, and print meeting documents as needed for meeting participants;
 - Register participants at the opening of the meetings and prepare the list of participants having attended the meeting;
 - Report to BRS/UNEP on the costs of each participant per meeting, showing the names, nationalities and gender of all funded participants, as well as separately their costs for ticket, DSA and terminals and any other costs;
 - Provide support on the technical issues during the meetings;
 - Make the necessary arrangements, including financial arrangements, to provide refreshments during the coffee breaks for all participants attending the meetings;
 - Provide other such reasonable input as may be required by BRS/UNEP and within a reasonable time to enable it to carry out its obligations under this Agreement and/or ensure effective operation of the meeting;
 - Make arrangements to provide sufficient staff, including administrative and secretarial staff, to support the meetings;
 - Enter into other such administrative and/or contractual arrangements as may be reasonably required for the effective completion of the responsibilities under the present Agreement, as agreed with BRS/UNEP;
 - Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic and related uncertainties on whether the meetings can be held in a face-to-face format, arrangements should to the extent possible be made with a possibility to cancel them either free of cost or at a partial cost only.
 - Elaborate final report.
 - Perform external audit.
 - Elaborate final financial report.
- All the activities have been finished and the project is closed.

49. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

50. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

51. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

52. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

* **SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;** *

* **SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:** *

SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;

* **SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;** *

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

* **SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:** *

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

* **SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;** *

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

* **SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;** *

* **SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;** *

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

* **BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes** *

* **BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes.** *

BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

*** BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. ***

BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.

*** BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. ***

BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate.

*** BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment ***

BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.

*** BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. ***

53. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

54. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 4 Name:

Plastic Waste Partnership

55. Activity information

Project number

Not Applicable

Project duration (in month)

24

Start date

1/1/2021

End date

12/31/2022

Planned start date

1/1/2021

Planned end date

12/31/2022

56. To which convention this activity is reported for?

* **Basel Convention (BC)** *

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

57. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

* **Global benefit not limited to countries** *

58. Select country(ies) (hidden)

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

0

59. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

Spanish

Other : (Please specify)

60. Means of verification for language(s)

<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/Plasticwaste/PlasticWastePartnership/tabid/8096/Default.aspx>

Emails

Virtual Meetings

61. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

10000

62. Funding source(s):

Donor name

Uruguay Government

Amount in USD

10000

Means of verification

Gabriela Medina and BCCC-SCRC staff participation in all activities involved

63. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

BRS Secretariat

Country

United Nations Switzerland

Means of verification

<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/Plasticwaste/PlasticWastePartnership/tabid/8096/Default.aspx>

64. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The Plastic Waste Partnership (PWP) has been established under the Basel Convention to mobilise business, government, academic and civil society resources, interests and expertise to improve and promote the environmentally sound management (ESM) of plastic waste at the global, regional and national levels and to prevent and minimize its generation.

Activities developed during this period:

- Revision of all documents emerged from the PWP.
- Participation in all the intersessional working group and pilot projects, January 2021 – December 2022.

Outcomes:

<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/Plasticwaste/PlasticWastePartnership/tabid/8096/Default.aspx>

65. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

66. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* A. Training activities that impart hands on skills *

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

* C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

67. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

68. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. *

* BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures. *

* BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention. *

* BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. *

* BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. *

* BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management

of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. *

* BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

* BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

* BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. *

69. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

70. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 5 Name:

Plastic Waste Partnership Face to Face Meeting

71. Activity information

Project number

BRS-SSFA-2218. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701917

Project duration (in month)

4

Start date

9/14/2022

End date

1/31/2023

Planned start date

9/14/2022

Planned end date

1/31/2023

72. To which convention this activity is reported for?

*** Basel Convention (BC) ***

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

73. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

*** Global benefit not limited to countries ***

74. Select country(ies) (hidden)

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

0

75. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

*** English ***

French

Russian

Spanish

Other : (Please specify)

76. Means of verification for language(s)

Meeting documents, final reports.

The workshop documents are in the following link:

<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/Plasticwaste/PlasticWastePartnership/Consultationsandmeetings/3rdPWPmeeting/Overview/tabid/9297/Default.aspx>

77. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

130744

78. Funding source(s):

Donor name
BRS Secretariats/UNEP

Amount in USD
130744

Means of verification
SSFA, Financial Report

79. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
BRS Secretariats/UNEP

Country
United Nations Switzerland

Means of verification
SSFA

80. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The objective of the Agreement was to organize a 3 (three)-day meeting of the Plastic Waste Partnership working group for approximately 100 (one hundred) participants, in Punta del Este, Uruguay, from 23 to 25 November 2022. Activities developed by the BCCC-SCRC:

- Organize, secure and pay for adequate logistical arrangements for the Meeting, including a suitable venue equipped with adequate facilities (see Annexes A and B);
- Arrange and pay for air tickets and Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) to sponsored participants as agreed by BRS/UNEP (see the budget in Annex B) and in accordance with the United Nations financial rules and regulations. Funded participants are to be paid DSA and they shall be responsible for reserving and paying their accommodation on an individual basis;
- Prepare a logistical information note on the country and the venue for the Meeting, transportation options from the airport to the venue and vice-versa, additional hotel options in close proximity to an ATM machine and meeting venue;
- For all participants, making use of the list of confirmed participants as communicated by BRS/UNEP, make the necessary arrangements, including financial arrangements, to provide refreshments during the coffee breaks (see the budget in Annex B);
- For all participants, making use of the list of confirmed participants as communicated by BRS/UNEP, make the necessary arrangements with the venue to offer lunch during the three days of the Meeting, based on the schedule for the meeting as communicated by BRS/UNEP;
- For all participants, making use of the list of confirmed participants as communicated by BRS/UNEP, liaise with

- the Government of the Uruguay to provide letters in support of visa applications as needed by participants;
- For sponsored participants, making use of the list of confirmed participants as communicated by BRS/UNEP, assist the BRS/UNEP as needed in paying the Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA);
 - Make arrangements to provide sufficient staff, including administrative and secretarial staff, to support the Meeting;
 - Ensure the registration of all participants at the opening of the Meeting, including maintaining a roster for sponsored participants and obtaining copies of supporting documentation as requested by BRS/UNEP;
 - Enter into other such administrative and/or contractual arrangements as may be reasonably required for the effective completion of the responsibilities under the present Agreement, as agreed with BRS/UNEP;
 - Provide other such reasonable input as may be required by BRS/UNEP and within a reasonable time to enable it to carry out its obligations under this Agreement and/or ensure effective operation of the Meeting.
 - Elaborate final report (pending).
 - Elaborate final financial report (pending).

Except for the last two activities all the rest is finished.

81. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *
No

82. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- * A. Training activities that impart hands on skills *
- * B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *
- * C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *
- * D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

83. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *
No

84. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. *

* BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things,

notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures. *

* BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention. *

* BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. *

* BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. *

* BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. *

* BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

* BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

* BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. *

85. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

86. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 6 Name:

First session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC 1) to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (Switzerland)

87. Activity information

Project number

BAFU-061.6-04.39-1/1 3/2 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701918

Project duration (in month)

3

Start date

11/7/2022

End date

2/28/2023

Planned start date

11/7/2022

Planned end date

2/28/2023

88. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

* **Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)** *

Other : (Please specify)

89. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

* **Global benefit not limited to countries** *

90. Select country(ies) (hidden)

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

0

91. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

* **Spanish** *

Other : (Please specify)

92. Means of verification for language(s)

BCCC-SCRC and BAFU Agreement, UNEP Host Country Agreement

Logistic Note

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/primera-reunion-del-comite-intergubernamental-de-negociacion-inc-1-para-desarrollo-de-un-instrumento-juridicamente-vinculante-sobre-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos/>

<https://www.unep.org/events/conference/inter-governmental-negotiating-committee-meeting-inc-1>

93. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

300000

94. Funding source(s):

Donor name

Swiss Government - Federal Office for the Environment FOEN File: BAFU-061.6-04.39-1/1 3/2

Amount in USD

300000

Means of verification

Exchange letters BCCC-SCRC and BAFU, BCCC-SCRC Invoice

95. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

Federal Office for the Environment FOEN

Country

Switzerland

Means of verification

Exchange letters BCCC-SCRC and BAFU, BCCC-SCRC Invoice, emails, Final Reports.

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/primera-reunion-del-comite-intergubernamental-de-negociacion-inc-1-para-desarrollo-de-un-instrumento-juridicamente-vinculante-sobre-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos/>

<https://www.unep.org/events/conference/inter-governmental-negotiating-committee-meeting-inc-1>

96. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The following activities were developed by the BCCC-SCRC:

- Agreement between the Uruguayan National Development Corporation (CND) and the BCCC-SCRC was signed for the execution of the funds by the Uruguayan Ministry of the Environment for the organization of the INC-1.
- Visit to the Punta del Este Convention Center, in order to evaluate rooms and details of the event (three times).
- Weekly coordination meetings together with the Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Interim INC Secretariat and UNEP.
- Logistical support for attendees, especially for VISAS and transportation from the Airport to Punta del Este.
- Development of the logistic information note.
- Organization of the informative session "Learning and challenges in the management of plastic packaging waste within the framework of the circular economy" and the BCCC-SCRC as Region support organization, Uruguay presented its plastic reduction policy from an integrating perspective and the BCCC-SCRC presented its duties and projects.
- Recruitment and coordination of the translation service for the informative session of Uruguay during the INC-1.

<https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-ambiente/comunicacion/noticias/uruguay-expuso-sobre-su-politica-reduccion-plasticos-desde-mirada-integradora>

<https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-ambiente/comunicacion/noticias/foro-para-acabar-contaminacion-plastica>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/primera-reunion-del-comite-intergubernamental-de-negociacion-inc-1-para-desarrollo-de-un-instrumento-juridicamente-vinculante-sobre-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos/>

<https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-ambiente/comunicacion/noticias/encuentros-reuniones-bilaterales-marco-inc-plasticos>

<https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-ambiente/comunicacion/noticias/uruguay-organizara-primera-reunion-del-comite-intergubernamental-negociacion>

97. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

98. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

A. Training activities that impart hands on skills

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

* C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

99. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

100. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

*** SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; ***

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

*** BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. ***

BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

*** BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes ***

BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation.

*** BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. ***

* BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. *

* BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

* BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

* BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. *

101. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

102. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 7 Name:

First session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC 1) to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (UNEP)

103. Activity information

Project number

UNEP/PCA/INC Secretariat 2022 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701919

Project duration (in month)

4

Start date

11/11/2022

End date

3/31/2023

Planned start date

11/11/2022

Planned end date
3/31/2023

104. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

* **Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)** *

Other : (Please specify)

105. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

* **Global benefit not limited to countries** *

106. Select country(ies) (hidden)

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

0

107. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

* **Spanish** *

Other : (Please specify)

108. Means of verification for language(s)

BCCC-SCRC and UNEP PCA, UNEP Host Country Agreement

Logistic Note

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/primera-reunion-del-comite-intergubernamental-de-negociacion-inc-1-para-desarrollo-de-un-instrumento-juridicamente-vinculante-sobre-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos/>

<https://www.unep.org/events/conference/inter-governmental-negotiating-committee-meeting-inc-1>

109. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
348136

110. Funding source(s):

Donor name
UNEP – United Nations Environment Programme

Amount in USD
348136

Means of verification
BCCC-SCRC and UNEP PCA, UNEP Host Country Agreement

111. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP – United Nations Environment Programme

Country
Kenya

Means of verification
BCCC-SCRC and UNEP PCA, UNEP Host Country Agreement

Logistic Note

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/primera-reunion-del-comite-intergubernamental-de-negociacion-inc-1-para-desarrollo-de-un-instrumento-juridicamente-vinculante-sobre-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos/>

<https://www.unep.org/events/conference/inter-governmental-negotiating-committee-meeting-inc-1>

112. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The following activities were developed by the BCCC-SCRC:

- Agreement between the Uruguayan National Development Corporation (CND) and the BCCC-SCRC was signed for the execution of the funds by the Uruguayan Ministry of the Environment for the organization of the INC-1
- Visit to the Punta del Este Convention Center, in order to evaluate rooms and details of the event (Three times).
- Weekly coordination meetings together with the Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Interim INC Secretariat and UNEP.
- Logistical support for attendees, especially for VISAS and transportation from the Airport to Punta del Este
- Development of the logistic information note.
- Organization of the informative session "Learning and challenges in the management of plastic packaging waste within the framework of the circular economy" and the BCCC-SCRC as Region support organization, Uruguay presented its plastic reduction policy from an integrating perspective and the BCCC-SCRC presented its duties and projects.
- Recruitment and coordination of the translation service for the informative session of Uruguay during the INC-1.

<https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-ambiente/comunicacion/noticias/uruguay-expuso-sobre-su-politica-reduccion-plasticos-desde-mirada-integradora>
<https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-ambiente/comunicacion/noticias/foro-para-acabar-contaminacion-plastica>
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/primer-reunion-del-comite-intergubernamental-de-negociacion-inc-1-para-desarrollo-de-un-instrumento-juridicamente-vinculante-sobre-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos/>
<https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-ambiente/comunicacion/noticias/encuentros-reuniones-bilaterales-marco-inc-plasticos>
<https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-ambiente/comunicacion/noticias/uruguay-organizara-primer-reunion-del-comite-intergubernamental-negociacion>

113. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

114. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

A. Training activities that impart hands on skills

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

* C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

115. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

116. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;

* SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: *

SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;

* SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; *

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

* SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; *

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

* SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; *

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

*** BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. ***

BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

*** BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes ***

BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation.

*** BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. ***

*** BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment ***

*** BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. ***

*** BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. ***

117. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the

centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

118. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 8 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC)

119. Activity information

Project number

Not Applicable

Project duration (in month)

24

Start date

1/1/2021

End date

12/31/2022

Planned start date

1/1/2021

Planned end date

12/31/2022

120. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

*** Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC) ***

Other : (Please specify)

121. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

122. Select country(ies) (hidden)

- * **Antigua and Barbuda** *
- * **Argentina** *
- * **Bahamas** *
- * **Barbados** *
- * **Belize** *
- * **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *
- * **Brazil** *
- * **Chile** *
- * **Colombia** *
- * **Costa Rica** *
- * **Cuba** *
- * **Dominica** *
- * **Dominican Republic** *
- * **Ecuador** *
- * **El Salvador** *
- * **Grenada** *
- * **Guatemala** *
- * **Guyana** *
- * **Haiti** *
- * **Honduras** *
- * **Jamaica** *
- * **Mexico** *
- * **Nicaragua** *
- * **Panama** *
- * **Paraguay** *
- * **Peru** *
- * **Saint Kitts and Nevis** *
- * **Saint Lucia** *
- * **Saint Vincent and the Grenadines** *
- * **Suriname** *
- * **Trinidad and Tobago** *
- * **Uruguay** *
- * **Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

123. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

* **Spanish** *

Other : (Please specify)

124. Means of verification for language(s)

Webex meeting, ToRs, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum

Emails

Reports

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/xxii-foro-de-ministros-de-medio-ambiente-de-america-latina-y-el>

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/sesion-especial-40o-aniversario-del-foro-de-ministras-y>

125. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

5000

126. Funding source(s):

Donor name

Uruguay Government

Amount in USD

5000

Means of verification

Gabriela Medina (as part of the Steering Committee) and BCCC-SCRC staff (as part of the Focal Points) participation in all activities involved

127. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

UNEP ROLAC

Country

United Nations Panama

Means of verification

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/xxii-foro-de-ministros-de-medio-ambiente-de-america-latina-y-el>

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/sesion-especial-40o-aniversario-del-foro-de-ministras-y>

128. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

During the XX Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of the Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean, held on March 28-31, 2016 in Cartagena, Colombia, it was adopted the following Decision on Chemicals and Waste item: Establish an intergovernmental network on chemicals and wastes for Latin America and the Caribbean (Decision 8), with the main objective of strengthening the environmentally sound management of products and wastes, strengthen sub-regional and regional cooperation and facilitate exchange of experiences, ensuring cooperation and coordination with international and regional frameworks, as well as improving the participation and communication with other actors. Under this framework, the BCCC-SCRC Uruguay has developed the following activities:

- Development of an infographic and subsequent video with key messages and data on the importance of chemical control,.
- Finalization of the document: Report on legal and institutional frameworks for the integrated management of chemical products in Latin American countries and Caribbean (March 2021), <http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Informe-sobre-marcos-legales-e-institucionales-para-la-gestion-integrada-de-productos-quimicos-en-paises-de-America-Latina-y-el-Caribe-1.pdf>
- 19th Teleconference of the Steering Committee of the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste, March 4th, 2021.
- Webinar: Report on legal and institutional frameworks for the integrated management of chemical products in Latin American countries and Caribbean, March 25th, 2021. <http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/webinar-informe-sobre-marcos-legales-e-institucionales-para-la-gestion-integrada-de-productos-quimicos-en-paises-de-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>
- Webinar: Priorities for waste management in Latin America and the Caribbean: decisions of the Forum of Ministers of the Environment (March 18th, 2021).
- Participation at the fourth virtual meeting of focal points of the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste for Latin America and the Caribbean, April 15th, at 1 p.m. Panama time, 2021.
- First meeting of the new Steering Committee (20th in total) of the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Wastes for Latin America and the Caribbean, June 10th, 2021.
- Finalization of the document: Existing Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes for used lead-acid batteries (ULAB) in the Latin American and Caribbean region, October 2021. <http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/informe-tecnico-esquemas-de-responsabilidad-extendida-del-productor-rep-existent-para-baterias-de-plomo-acido-usadas-bapu-en-la-region-de-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>
- Design of the ULAB document and the adaptation of the infographics and video into English https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SYJ1_4GvkHc&t=4s.
- 21st meeting of the Steering Committee of the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste, August 26th, 2021.
- Revision of the network progress report for the first semester 2021, as established in the Action Plan 2021-2024, the Steering Committee will submit biannual progress reports to all national focal points of the Network, September 2021.
- Launch event of the Technical Report "Existing extended producer responsibility (REP) schemes for used lead-acid batteries (ULAB) in Latin America and the Caribbean", October 28th, 2021.
- 22nd Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Network on Chemicals and Waste, November 11th, 2021, the BCCC-SCRC was in charge of the meeting link creation and distribution and translation service.
- Fifth Meeting of Focal Points of the Network on Chemicals and Waste for LAC, November 25th, 2021.
- Panel and discussion: Used Lead Acid Batteries ULABs [In-person event], May 4th - Montevideo, Uruguay, event developed during the Regional Preparatory Meeting for BRS COP.
- 23rd Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Network on Chemicals and Waste, June 28th, 2022.
- Sixth meeting of Focal Points of the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste for LAC, August 18th, 2022.
- Seventh meeting of Focal Points of the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste for LAC, December 15th, 2022.

Outcomes:

<https://www.unep.org/es/regiones/america-latina-y-el-caribe/iniciativas-regionales/red-intergubernamental-de-quimicos-y>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/webinar-informe-sobre-marcos-legales-e-institucionales-para-la-gestion-integrada-de-productos-quimicos-en-paises-de-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SYJ1_4GvkHc&t=4s.

<http://ccbasiela-crestocolmo.org.uy/informe-tecnico-esquemas-de-responsabilidad-extendida-del-productor-rep-existent-para-baterias-de-plomo-acido-usadas-bapu-en-la-region-de-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>

129. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

130. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* A. Training activities that impart hands on skills *

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

* C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

131. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

132. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

* SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; *

* SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: *

SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;

* SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; *

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

* SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; *

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

* SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; *

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

* SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: *

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

* SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; *

* SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories; *

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally

sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

*** SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; ***

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

*** BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. ***

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

*** BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. ***

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*** BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. ***

*** BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment ***

*** BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. ***

*** BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. ***

133. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

134. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 9 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in lead in paint

135. Activity information

Project number

PCA/CHM/001/2022. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701910

Project duration (in month)

12

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

2/15/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

2/15/2023

136. To which convention this activity is reported for?

*** Basel Convention (BC) ***

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

137. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

138. Select country(ies) (hidden)

- * Antigua and Barbuda *
- * Argentina *
- * Bahamas *
- * Barbados *
- * Belize *
- * Bolivia (Plurinational State of) *
- * Brazil *
- * Chile *
- * Colombia *
- * Costa Rica *
- * Cuba *
- * Dominica *
- * Dominican Republic *
- * Ecuador *
- * El Salvador *
- * Grenada *
- * Guatemala *
- * Guyana *
- * Haiti *
- * Honduras *
- * Jamaica *
- * Mexico *
- * Nicaragua *
- * Panama *
- * Paraguay *
- * Peru *
- * Saint Kitts and Nevis *
- * Saint Lucia *
- * Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
- * Suriname *
- * Trinidad and Tobago *
- * Uruguay *
- * Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)
33

139. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic
Chinese
* English *
French
Russian
* Spanish *
Other : (Please specify)

140. Means of verification for language(s)

Webex meeting, ToRs, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum
Emails

Reports

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/xxii-foro-de-ministros-de-medio-ambiente-de-america-latina-y-el>

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/sesion-especial-40o-aniversario-del-foro-de-ministras-y>

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/workshop/promueven-acciones-regulatorias-de-los-gobiernos-para-eliminar-la-pintura-con-plomo>

141. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

74000

142. Funding source(s):

Donor name

GEF/UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD

74000

Means of verification

PCA, TOR, Reports

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/xxii-foro-de-ministros-de-medio-ambiente-de-america-latina-y-el>

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/sesion-especial-40o-aniversario-del-foro-de-ministras-y>

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/workshop/promueven-acciones-regulatorias-de-los-gobiernos-para-eliminar-la-pintura-con-plomo>

143. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

UNEP ROLAC

Country

United Nations Panama

Means of verification

PCA, TOR, Reports

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/xxii-foro-de-ministros-de-medio-ambiente-de-america-latina-y-el>

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/sesion-especial-40o-aniversario-del-foro-de-ministras-y>

<https://www.unep.org/es/events/workshop/promueven-acciones-regulatorias-de-los-gobiernos-para-eliminar-la-pintura-con-plomo>

144. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

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4. Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS)
5. Mercury
6. Waste management

Support the development of lead paint regulations in the LAC region. As part of the Strategic Approach for International Chemicals Management (SAICM) Global Environment Facility (GEF) project lead in paint component and in coordination with UNEP and WHO/PAHO regional project coordination team, assistance will be provided to LAC countries to develop lead paint laws. This includes technical advice and guidance in current legislation and drafting of lead paint laws (at least 4 countries), and support to national multi-stakeholder meetings through facilitation and participation in intersectoral working group meetings to develop draft lead paint laws (at least 1 multi-stakeholder meeting). Organize a regional exchange information and capacity-building workshop for stakeholders to share lessons learned and best practices. [This, contributes to activities 3.3.1 of the Network Action Plan]

The BCCC-SCRC was in charge of:

- 1- Consultant hiring process.
- 2- Report revisions.
- 3- Organization of workshop in Panama, DSA payments, travels arrangements (flight tickets, VISAs, logistic note), hotel hiring (rooms, audio, coffee breaks, lunch, etc).
- 4- Workshop final report.

Outcomes:

- 1- Report on the multistakeholder(s) meeting(s) on development of lead paint laws.
- 2- Report on the technical assistance provided to LAC countries in developing lead paint laws, including annexes with the texts of the draft regulations developed.
- 3- Workshop for stakeholders to share lessons learned and best practices.

145. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

146. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* A. Training activities that impart hands on skills *

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

* C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

147. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

148. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. *

* BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. *

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

* BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. *

* BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. *

* BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. *

* BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

* BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

* BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. *

149. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

150. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 10 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in Promote implementation of the Global Harmonized System (GHS)

151. Activity information

Project number

PCA/CHM/001/2022. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701910

Project duration (in month)

12

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

2/15/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date
2/15/2023

152. To which convention this activity is reported for?

* **Basel Convention (BC)** *

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

153. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

154. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Brazil** *

* **Chile** *

* **Colombia** *

* **Costa Rica** *

* **Cuba** *

* **Dominica** *

* **Dominican Republic** *

* **Ecuador** *

* **El Salvador** *

* **Grenada** *

* **Guatemala** *

* **Guyana** *

* **Haiti** *

* **Honduras** *

* **Jamaica** *

* **Mexico** *

* **Nicaragua** *

* **Panama** *

* **Paraguay** *

* **Peru** *

* **Saint Kitts and Nevis** *

* **Saint Lucia** *

* **Saint Vincent and the Grenadines** *

* **Suriname** *

* **Trinidad and Tobago** *

* **Uruguay** *

* **Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

155. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

* **Spanish** *

Other : (Please specify)

156. Means of verification for language(s)

Webex meeting, ToR, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum,

Expert contracts, email, Final Reports, Course certificate.

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/course-on-classifying-and-labelling-chemicals-according-to-the-un-ghs-september-december-2022/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/curso-sobre-clasificacion-y-etiquetado-de-productos-quimicos-segun-el-sga/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/webinar-introduccion-al-sga-para-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>

157. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

50100

158. Funding source(s):

Donor name

Swedish Funds KEMI SB-011383.05.06/M1-32CPL-000539/UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD

50100

Means of verification

PCA, TOR, Reports, UNITAR Agreement

159. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

UNEP ROLAC

Country

United Nations Panama

Means of verification

Signed PCA.

Webex meeting, ToR, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum,

Expert contracts, email, Final Reports, Course certificate.

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/course-on-classifying-and-labelling-chemicals-according-to-the-un-ghs-september-december-2022/>

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6. Waste management

Promote implementation of the Globally Harmonized System (GHS). A webinar will be organized to review the available experience in the LAC region, along with trends at international level. This will be preceded by the identification and compilation of experiences in LAC in developing the necessary regulations and procedures for GHS. A regional workshop/training on the sound management of chemicals, with a focus on GHS (as a key mechanism to strengthen the sound management of chemicals in LAC countries) will be organized. The workshop will facilitate a deeper understanding to participant countries on the process to implement GHS. The specific needs of countries will be compiled, and roadmaps for adoption of GHS in 1-2 countries will be developed.

[Contributes to activities 4.1, and 4.2 of the KEMI Agreement]
[Contributes to activities 3.2.1, and 3.3.2 of the Action Plan]

The BCCC-SCRC was in charge of:

- 1- Consultants hiring process (UNITAR).
- 2- Reports revisions.
- 3- Countries exchange.

The objective of the activity is to promote the implementation of the Globally Harmonized System (GHS) in GRULAC.

This activity was carried out with the support of UNITAR, for which an agreement (BCCC-SCRC and UNITAR) was signed.

This activity can be divided into three modules: technical training, additional training (general) and two roadmaps for the implementation of GHS for two countries in the region.

Technical training:

The different focal points of the Chemicals and Waste Network were invited to nominate one person per country to participate in a course on the classification and labeling of chemical products according to GHS, offered by UNITAR, between the months of September and December. The modality of the course was asynchronous and 6 of the 9 enrolled have already passed. The BCCC-SCRC coordinated the registration together with UNEP/ROLAC and UNITAR. The remaining participants are currently being monitored.

Additional training (general)

To achieve the objective a Webinar “GHS – An Introduction for the Latin American and Caribbean region” was developed in November, in which 195 people from the region and from different sectors participated. The Webinar was structured with four sections: Introduction to the implementation of the ESM, analysis of the situation and gaps, and resources. After each section, didactic strategies were carried out in order to assess the understanding of the attendees.

Roadmaps

Together with UNEP/ROLAC technical support was defined for two countries in the region (Ecuador and El Salvador) in the definition of a road map for the adoption of the ESM. The roadmaps will be prepared considering the following documents:

https://unitar.org/sites/default/files/media/file/Key%20elements%20of%20a%20national%20GHS%20roadmap_FIN_AL%2006.11.2020.pdf

https://cwm.unitar.org/publications/publications/cw/ghs/GHS_GD_September2010_Edition_SP.pdf

A joint agreement with UNITAR, UNEP/ROLAC and the BCCC-SCRC was developed for the commitment of the countries in the development of the activity, currently Countries are in the process of signing.

Currently, both countries are working on the diagnosis of regulations to carry out the evaluation and jointly define the roadmap for each country. The presentation of results in a Webinar is expected to take place in February 2023.

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/course-on-classifying-and-labelling-chemicals-according-to-the-un-ghs-september-december-2022/>

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<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/webinar-introduccion-al-sga-para-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>

Outcomes:

- Report describing the webinar (delivered with interpretation English/Spanish) conducted on GHS, including a description of the experiences identified and presented at the webinar, attendance, and evaluation report (English/Spanish) organized to disseminate the outcomes of the report.
- Report describing the workshop/training on the sound management of chemicals and GHS (delivered with interpretation English/Spanish), and roadmaps for adoption of GHS in 2 countries.

161. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

162. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

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* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

* C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

163. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

164. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

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regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

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Yes

*** No ***

166. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 11 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in enhance knowledge and awareness of the environment dimensions of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) in the LAC region

167. Activity information

Project number

PCA/CHM/001/2022. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701910

Project duration (in month)

12

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

2/15/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

2/15/2023

168. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

* **Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)** *

Other : (Please specify)

169. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

170. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Brazil** *

* **Chile** *

* **Colombia** *

* **Costa Rica** *

* **Cuba** *

* **Dominica** *

* **Dominican Republic** *

* **Ecuador** *

* **El Salvador** *

* **Grenada** *

* **Guatemala** *

* **Guyana** *

* **Haiti** *

* **Honduras** *

* **Jamaica** *

* **Mexico** *

* **Nicaragua** *

* **Panama** *

* **Paraguay** *

* **Peru** *

* **Saint Kitts and Nevis** *

* **Saint Lucia** *

* **Saint Vincent and the Grenadines** *

* **Suriname** *

* **Trinidad and Tobago** *

* **Uruguay** *

* **Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

171. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* English *

French

Russian

* Spanish *

Other : (Please specify)

172. Means of verification for language(s)

Webex meeting, ToR, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum,

Expert contracts, email, Final Reports.

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/seminario-web-en-el-marco-de-la-semana-mundial-de-concienciacion-sobre-el-uso-de-los-antimicrobianos-2022-resistencia-antimicrobiana-ram-y-medio-ambiente-perspectivas-desde-america-latina-y-el-ca/>

173. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

42000

174. Funding source(s):

Donor name

Swedish Funds SIDA SB-011383.04.17/M1-32SEL-000049/UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD

42000

Means of verification

Signed PCA, TOR, Reports, Expert Agreement

175. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

UNEP ROLAC

Country

United Nations Panama

Means of verification

Signed PCA, TOR, Reports

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4. Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS)
5. Mercury
6. Waste management

For many years, the global community has focused on the health and agriculture sectors in addressing antimicrobial resistance. Yet, evidence is mounting that environmental factors play an important role in the development, spread and transmission of antimicrobial resistance back to humans and animals. In 2017, the third session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-3) recognized the importance of the environmental dimensions of AMR, and requested UNEP to prepare by UNEA-5 a report on the environmental impacts of antimicrobial resistance and the causes for the development and spread of resistance in the environment, including the gaps in understanding of those impacts and causes. The preliminary findings provide evidence that the environment matters in the development, transmission, and spread of AMR and that mitigation options exist. Also, presents a call to strengthen environmental action within a One Health framework to address AMR urgently. At regional level, there is a need to further review the current status of knowledge, identify main stakeholders, raise awareness and trigger action at different levels. Through this activity, a regional assessment of the environmental dimensions of AMR in LAC will be conducted, as well as a regional conference to exchange knowledge and raise awareness.

The objective of the activity is to improve knowledge and awareness about the environmental dimensions of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) in the LAC region, for which a (non-exhaustive) review of existing knowledge and experience in the field was carried out in the region and that can serve as a catalyst for the improvement of efforts related to decision-making in the fight against AMR at the local and regional level, which are currently being developed.

A consulting team with expertise and training in the subject was hired, and monthly follow-up meetings were held together with UNEP/ROLAC

With the survey of academic information, the existing national plans and the results of the TrACSS self-assessment survey, a report was generated, establishing an analysis of the situation in the region in terms of AMR prevention and control measures.

The World Antimicrobial Awareness Week, which took place between November 18 and 24, was promoted by the Quadripartite Alliance made up of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the United Nations Program Environment Organization (UNEP), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH). More information about this week:

<https://www.paho.org/es/campanas/semana-mundial-concientizacion-sobre-uso-antimicrobianos-2022>

Therefore, within the framework of the World Antimicrobial Use Awareness Week 2022, a Webinar "Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) and the Environment - Perspectives from Latin America and the Caribbean" was developed, in which 85 participants were from the region. The progress of the report and the activities planned for the World Awareness Week on the Use of Antimicrobials with the participation of the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH) were presented. This activity included simultaneous interpretation English - Spanish.

Finally, a summary brochure was generated for decision makers that summarize the report, emphasizing the need to act in those countries that do not yet have national plans as well as investment in research.

The dissemination of different instances related to the topic that took place at the global and regional level was supported.

The BCCC-SCRC was in charge of:

- 1- Consultants hiring process (TOR, post advertising, selection).
- 2- Reports revisions.
- 3- Countries exchange.

Outcomes:

- Report on the Regional conference on AMR (delivered with interpretation English/Spanish).
- Regional assessment of the environmental dimensions of the Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) in LAC (English/Spanish).

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/webinarios-amr-setiembre-2022/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/antimicrobial-resistance-in-the-environment-webinar-series-webinar-4-governance-approaches-for-prevention-and-control-of-amr-in-the-environment/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/webinar-lanzamiento-del-informe-glass-2022/>

177. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

178. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

*** C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions ***

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

179. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

180. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

*** SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; ***

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

*** SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories; ***

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

*** SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; ***

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

*** BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. ***

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

*** BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. ***

* BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. *

* BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. *

* BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

* BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

* BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. *

181. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

182. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 12 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in Chemical Risk Assessment and Management.

183. Activity information

Project number

PCA/CHM/001/2022. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701910

Project duration (in month)

12

Start date

2/10/2022

End date
2/15/2023

Planned start date
2/10/2022

Planned end date
11/30/2022

184. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

*** Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC) ***

Other : (Please specify)

185. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

186. Select country(ies) (hidden)

*** Antigua and Barbuda ***

*** Argentina ***

*** Bahamas ***

*** Barbados ***

*** Belize ***

*** Bolivia (Plurinational State of) ***

*** Brazil ***

*** Chile ***

*** Colombia ***

*** Costa Rica ***

*** Cuba ***

*** Dominica ***

*** Dominican Republic ***

*** Ecuador ***

*** El Salvador ***

*** Grenada ***

*** Guatemala ***

*** Guyana ***

*** Haiti ***

*** Honduras ***

*** Jamaica ***

*** Mexico ***

*** Nicaragua ***

*** Panama ***

*** Paraguay ***

*** Peru ***

* Saint Kitts and Nevis *
* Saint Lucia *
* Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
* Suriname *
* Trinidad and Tobago *
* Uruguay *
* Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)
33

187. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic
Chinese
* English *
French
Russian
* Spanish *
Other : (Please specify)

188. Means of verification for language(s)

Webex meeting, ToR, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum
Expert contracts, email, Final Reports, Course certificate.
<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/xxii-foro-de-ministros-de-medio-ambiente-de-america-latina-y-el>
<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/sesion-especial-40o-aniversario-del-foro-de-ministras-y>

189. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
65150

190. Funding source(s):

Donor name
Swedish Funds KEMI SB-011383.05.06/M1-32CPL-000539/UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD
65150

Means of verification
PCA and Reports

191. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP ROLAC

Country
United Nations Panama

Means of verification
<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/xxii-foro-de-ministros-de-medio-ambiente-de-america-latina-y-el>
<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/sesion-especial-40o-aniversario-del-foro-de-ministras-y>
PCA and Reports

192. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The XX Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) by Decision 8, recognizing the urgent need for concerted action by all countries in the region to effectively address the risks posed to human health and the environment associated with the unsound management of chemicals and all wastes, as well as of the importance to have regional coordination mechanisms, decided to establish an Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste for Latin America and the Caribbean. The main objective of the Network is strengthening the environmentally sound management of chemicals and waste, reinforcing sub-regional and regional cooperation, and facilitating the exchange of experiences, ensuring cooperation and coordination with agreed international and regional frameworks, as well as improving engagement and communication with other stakeholders. The UN Environment Programme (UNEP), Latin America and the Caribbean Office serves as Secretariat of the Network.

The Network is made up of a group of government focal points nominated by the countries of the region and other non-governmental organizations, in order to promote an integrated and intersectoral vision of the actions to be taken. A Steering Committee of the Network was established according to the terms of reference of the Network, comprising two members from each of the sub-regions of Latin America and the Caribbean (Mesoamerica, Caribbean, Andean, and the Southern Cone). During the last period, the Steering Committee led the development process of the Action Plan for regional cooperation on chemicals and waste management in Latin America and the Caribbean 2021-2024, including the Work Programme 2021-2022 (hereinafter the “Action Plan”), following a comprehensive consultation of priority issues and needs with all the Network’s national focal points.

The Action Plan was submitted and adopted by the XXII Forum of Ministers of Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean, through Decision 1 on Pollution. The Action Plan includes 33 technical cooperation actions within 6 priority topics, namely:

1. Governance and coordination mechanisms
2. Knowledge, information and monitoring
3. Priority issues under the SAICM framework
4. Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS)
5. Mercury
6. Waste management

Strengthen capacity and regional cooperation on chemicals risk assessment and management. A review of the institutional approaches, stakeholders, and practices towards risk assessment in the LAC countries will be

conducted, in order to identify the capacity gaps, commonalities, and lists of priority criteria and substances. Based on the initial review and capacity needs, and taking into account existing initiatives, a regional training will be designed (including methodology, modeling, key guidance, hazard criteria, principles and options for Mutual Acceptance of Data, exchange of national approaches, regional cooperation).

[Contributes to activities 3.1, and 3.2 of the KEMI Agreement]

[Contributes to activities 2.1.1, 2.1.2, 2.2.1 and 2.3.2 of the Action Plan]

The BCCC-SCRC was in charge of:

- 1- Consultants hiring process.
- 2- Reports revisions.
- 3- Course platform.
- 4- Countries exchange.

Outcomes:

1.1.1 Report describing the identified regulatory and policy updates on integrated management of chemicals in LAC countries during year 2021. 1.1.2 Technical note with the compilation of policy and regulatory updates on integrated chemicals management in LAC during year 2022 (edited document in English/Spanish).

1.1.3 Report describing the information exchange activities on integrated chemicals management conducted, including at least 1 webinar (delivered with interpretation English/Spanish) and 1 (online) meeting between targeted countries.

1.2.1 Report with a structured compilation of best practices on mainstreaming, including examples of cost-recovery systems for the sound management of chemicals and budget internalization (edited document in English/Spanish).

1.2.2 Report describing the webinar on mainstreaming (delivered with interpretation English/Spanish) organized to disseminate the outcomes of the report.

1.3.1 Report with the review of existing risk assessment approaches, list of priority substances, and capacity needs (edited document in English/Spanish).

1.3.2 Report with the design of a regional training on chemicals risk assessment, including objectives, scope, target audience, detailed content, training materials, list of trainers, and budget.

2.1.1.a Report describing the communication gaps and recommendations identified on chemicals and waste, as identified by the expert working group.

2.1.1.b A new communication material on chemicals and waste in LAC (e.g. 1 infographic or factsheet) is developed (English/Spanish).

2.2 Dedicated session (virtual, with English/Spanish interpretation) to raise awareness to high-level government officers and Focal Points of the Intergovernmental Network – meeting report of the session.

Virtual Course on Institutional approaches to risk assessment of chemical substances for industrial use in the countries of the Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) region from October 23rd to November 20th, 2022.

193. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

194. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

*** C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions ***

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

195. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

196. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

* **SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;** *

* **SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:** *

SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;

* **SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;** *

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

* **SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;** *

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

* **SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;** *

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

* **SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:** *

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

* **SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;** *

* **SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;** *

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

* **SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;** *

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

* **SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;** *

* **SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;** *

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

* **BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes** *

* **BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes.** *

* **BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.** *

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

* **BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes** *

* BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. *

* BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

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* BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

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* BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. *

197. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

198. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 13 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) Consultant Support in development of a report on existing laboratory capacities in the LAC region

199. Activity information

Project number

PCA/CHM/001/2022. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701910

Project duration (in month)

12

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

2/15/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

11/30/2022

200. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

* **Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)** *

Other : (Please specify)

201. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

202. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Brazil** *

* **Chile** *

* **Colombia** *

* **Costa Rica** *

* **Cuba** *

* **Dominica** *

* **Dominican Republic** *

* **Ecuador** *

* **El Salvador** *

* **Grenada** *

* **Guatemala** *

* **Guyana** *

* **Haiti** *

* **Honduras** *

- * Jamaica *
- * Mexico *
- * Nicaragua *
- * Panama *
- * Paraguay *
- * Peru *
- * Saint Kitts and Nevis *
- * Saint Lucia *
- * Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
- * Suriname *
- * Trinidad and Tobago *
- * Uruguay *
- * Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)
33

203. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic
Chinese
* English *
French
Russian
* Spanish *
Other : (Please specify)

204. Means of verification for language(s)

Webex meeting, ToR, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum,
Expert contracts, email, Final Reports.

205. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
5000

206. Funding source(s):

Donor name
Swedish Funds SIDA SB-011383.04.17/M1-32SEL-000049/UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD
5000

Means of verification
Signed PCA and Reports

207. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP ROLAC

Country
United Nations Panama

Means of verification
Not answered

208. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

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2. Knowledge, information and monitoring
3. Priority issues under the SAICM framework
4. Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS)
5. Mercury
6. Waste management

Taking into consideration "The Action Plan for Regional Cooperation in the management of chemicals and waste" prepared by the Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste for Latin America and the Caribbean and

approved at the XXII Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of the Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean that establishes that: “It can be observed that countries are making progress in establishing the basic frameworks for managing chemicals and waste. Infrastructure is also being strengthened through the creation of new departments or directorates in public organizations and institutions to directly address the management of chemicals. Now new challenges arise, and while countries need to enforce the sound management of chemicals, resources remain scarce. For example, key infrastructure is still lacking, such as a network of laboratories with the capacity to analyze priority chemical substances, results interpretation and provide information for decision-making” (<https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/xxii-foro-de-ministros-de-medio-ambiente-deamerica-latina-y-el>). It is reflected the need to strengthen the analytical capacities of POP in GRULAC. Although the Global Monitoring Plan (GMP) Phase II Project is currently in execution, which ends in June 2023 and covers 11 countries in the region (Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Barbados, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Jamaica, Mexico, Peru and Uruguay), many countries have been left out and the capacities in the region are unknown, so a survey of these is a priority.

The BCCC-SCRC was in charge of:

- 1- Consultants hiring process (TOR, post advertising, selection).
- 2- Reports revisions.
- 3- Countries exchange.

The objective of the activity was the identification and compilation of information on capacities of existing laboratories in the Latin American and Caribbean region, related to Mercury (Hg) and Persistent Organic Compounds (POP's).

For the development of the activity, the BCCC-SCRC hired consultants with experience in the subject. For this it was necessary to draw up the terms of reference and the contract with the consultant.

For the development of the report, the UNEP Data Bank of Laboratories analyzed POPs, updated to 2018, was reviewed. Said database contains information on 51 laboratories that analyze POPs, 60 that analyze mercury and 9 that analyze both groups of compounds in the LAC region. Public government databases of accredited laboratories from the following countries were also reviewed: Colombia, Mexico, and Uruguay. The National Implementation Plans (NIP) of the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), Initial Assessments of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, National Action Plans and National Application Plans that the countries of the LAC region have presented were reviewed. and which mentions laboratories with the capacity to carry out analysis of COP and Hg.

As a result of the activity, a complete report was obtained, with an analysis of the situation in the region and an update on the laboratories with the capacity to analyze POPs and mercury (Hg).

In addition, an infographic was made that summarizes and communicates what is stated in the report.

Outcomes:

- Report on existing laboratory capacities to monitor priority hazardous chemicals and needs in the LAC region.

209. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

210. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

*** C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions ***

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

211. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

212. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

*** SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; ***

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

*** SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories; ***

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

*** SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; ***

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

*** BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. ***

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

* **BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes** *

* **BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation.** *

* **BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.** *

* **BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.** *

* **BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention.** *

* **BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate.** *

* **BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment** *

* **BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.** *

* **BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes.** *

213. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* **No** *

214. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* **No** *

Activity 14 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC), Identification and dissemination of regulatory and policy updates and integrated management of chemical products in the LAC region

215. Activity information

Project number

PCA/CHM/001/2022. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701910

Project duration (in month)

12

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

2/15/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

11/30/2022

216. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

* **Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)** *

Other : (Please specify)

217. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

218. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Brazil** *

* **Chile** *

* **Colombia** *

* **Costa Rica** *

* **Cuba** *

* **Dominica** *

* **Dominican Republic** *

* **Ecuador** *

* **El Salvador** *

* **Grenada** *

* **Guatemala** *

- * Guyana *
- * Haiti *
- * Honduras *
- * Jamaica *
- * Mexico *
- * Nicaragua *
- * Panama *
- * Paraguay *
- * Peru *
- * Saint Kitts and Nevis *
- * Saint Lucia *
- * Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
- * Suriname *
- * Trinidad and Tobago *
- * Uruguay *
- * Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

219. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* English *

French

Russian

* Spanish *

Other : (Please specify)

220. Means of verification for language(s)

Webex meeting, ToRs, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum

Meeting documents, reports.

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221. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

4600

222. Funding source(s):

Donor name

Swedish Funds KEMI SB-011383.05.06/ M1-32CPL-000539 UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD
4600

Means of verification
Signed PCA and Reports

223. Collaborating agency(s):

Organization name
UNEP ROLAC

Country
United Nations Panama

Means of verification
Signed PCA and Reports

224. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

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1. Governance and coordination mechanisms
2. Knowledge, information and monitoring
3. Priority issues under the SAICM framework
4. Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS)
5. Mercury
6. Waste management

The objective of this activity is to develop an update of the latest regulations implemented in the region regarding Chemical Substances, seeking to give an overview of the regulatory status and good practices implemented by the countries.

For this activity, a consultant with knowledge and experience in the region was hired by the Centre. Weekly follow-up meetings on this point and others were held throughout the year.

A technical note was generated for the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste that presents an updated summary of the latest regulatory developments in the region, and takes into account the information survey that had already been carried out in 2021, as well as updates on regulatory developments of the year 2021 that have been published in the specific section on regulations of the periodic Bulletin of the Network.

The development of a Regional Webinar is planned in January 2023, in order to gather information and update the progress in terms of regulations.

225. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

226. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
- B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
- C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
- D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
- E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
- F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

227. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

Yes

*** No ***

228. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

229. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 15 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC), identification and compilation of the best practices on mainstreaming of chemical and waste into national development plans, strategies and budgeting processes.

230. Activity information

Project number

PCA/CHM/001/2022. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701910

Project duration (in month)

12

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

2/15/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

11/30/2022

231. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

* **Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)** *

Other : (Please specify)

232. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

233. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Brazil** *

* **Chile** *

- * Colombia *
- * Costa Rica *
- * Cuba *
- * Dominica *
- * Dominican Republic *
- * Ecuador *
- * El Salvador *
- * Grenada *
- * Guatemala *
- * Guyana *
- * Haiti *
- * Honduras *
- * Jamaica *
- * Mexico *
- * Nicaragua *
- * Panama *
- * Paraguay *
- * Peru *
- * Saint Kitts and Nevis *
- * Saint Lucia *
- * Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
- * Suriname *
- * Trinidad and Tobago *
- * Uruguay *
- * Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

234. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* English *

French

Russian

* Spanish *

Other : (Please specify)

235. Means of verification for language(s)

PCA, Webex meeting, ToRs, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum Meeting documents, reports.

Bulletin of the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste.

236. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

11100

237. Funding source(s):

Donor name

Swedish Funds KEMI SB-011383.05.06/ M1-32CPL-000539 UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD

11100

Means of verification

Signed PCA and Reports

238. Collaborating agency(s):

Organization name

UNEP ROLAC

Country

United Nations Panama

Means of verification

Signed PCA and Reports

239. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

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1. Governance and coordination mechanisms
2. Knowledge, information and monitoring
3. Priority issues under the SAICM framework
4. Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS)
5. Mercury
6. Waste management

The main objective of this activity is to delve into the opportunities offered by mainstreaming to strengthen the management of chemical substances in the countries and provide a perspective of the situation in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC), through some examples in the region.

For the development of this activity, the BCCC-SCRC hired a consultant with knowledge and experience in the subject, for this, the terms of reference (TDR) were previously developed, and the associated contract was drafted and signed.

Within the framework of the follow-up of the project with UNEP, weekly meetings were held.

A report was generated that serves as a consultation tool on the regional trend in this matter, shares the information and lessons learned from the countries, as well as useful recommendations in cases where mainstreaming has been promoted.

The design of an infographic with the relevant information from this report for dissemination in the region is being developed. For this design, the BCCC-SCRC hired an agency that is working on the design of the infographic and the layout of the report.

In addition, the development of a Webinar to disseminate the results of this activity is scheduled for January-2023.

240. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

241. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

*** C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions ***

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

242. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

243. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

*** SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; ***

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

*** SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories; ***

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

*** SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; ***

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

*** BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. ***

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

*** BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. ***

*** BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. ***

*** BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment ***

*** BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. ***

*** BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. ***

244. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

245. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 16 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC), Promote awareness of decision-makers.

246. Activity information

Project number

PCA/CHM/001/2022. BP 1500001148 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701910

Project duration (in month)

12

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

2/15/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

11/30/2022

247. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

* **Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)** *

Other : (Please specify)

248. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

249. Select country(ies) (hidden)

- * **Antigua and Barbuda** *
- * **Argentina** *
- * **Bahamas** *
- * **Barbados** *
- * **Belize** *
- * **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *
- * **Brazil** *
- * **Chile** *
- * **Colombia** *
- * **Costa Rica** *
- * **Cuba** *
- * **Dominica** *
- * **Dominican Republic** *
- * **Ecuador** *
- * **El Salvador** *
- * **Grenada** *
- * **Guatemala** *
- * **Guyana** *
- * **Haiti** *
- * **Honduras** *
- * **Jamaica** *
- * **Mexico** *
- * **Nicaragua** *
- * **Panama** *
- * **Paraguay** *
- * **Peru** *
- * **Saint Kitts and Nevis** *
- * **Saint Lucia** *
- * **Saint Vincent and the Grenadines** *
- * **Suriname** *
- * **Trinidad and Tobago** *
- * **Uruguay** *
- * **Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)
33

250. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic
Chinese
* English *
French
Russian
* Spanish *
Other : (Please specify)

251. Means of verification for language(s)

Signed PCA, Webex meeting, ToRs, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum
Meeting documents, reports

252. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
1400

253. Funding source(s):

Donor name
Swedish Funds KEMI SB-011383.05.06/ M1-32CPL-000539 UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD
1400

Means of verification
Signed PCA and reports.

254. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP ROLAC

Country
United Nations Panama

Means of verification
Signed PCA and Reports.

255. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

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3. Priority issues under the SAICM framework
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5. Mercury
6. Waste management

The objective of the activity is Promote awareness of decision-makers in the Latin American and Caribbean region. For the development of this activity, the BCCC-SCRC hired a consultant with knowledge and experience in the subject, for which the terms of reference (TDR) were previously prepared, and the associated contract was drafted and signed.

This activity was followed up weekly in meetings held with UNEP for project activities.

This activity is still ongoing, and a regional online meeting is planned for January-February to present and highlight the benefits of chemical control legislation and strengthening institutional frameworks. The BCCC-SCRC will coordinate the instance with UNEP and the consultant and will also hire simultaneous English-Spanish interpretation.

For the development of this instance, other activities included in the project "Strengthening capacities and regulatory frameworks for the rational management of chemical products and waste in the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean" are considered as products resulting from the activities of " Identification and dissemination of regulatory and policy updates and integrated management of chemicals in the LAC region", "Identification and compilation of best practices on the incorporation of chemicals and waste into national development plans, strategies and budget processes" and "Communication gaps on chemicals and waste and development of awareness raising materials".

256. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

257. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

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*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

*** C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions ***

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

258. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

259. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

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*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

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260. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

261. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 17 Name:

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC), Communication gaps on chemicals and waste and development of awareness raising materials.

262. Activity information

Project number

PCA/CHM/001/2022. BP 1500001148 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701910

Project duration (in month)

12

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

2/15/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

11/30/2022

263. To which convention this activity is reported for?

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Stockholm Convention (SC)

* **Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)** *

Other : (Please specify)

264. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

265. Select country(ies) (hidden)

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- * **Guyana ***
- * **Haiti ***
- * **Honduras ***
- * **Jamaica ***
- * **Mexico ***
- * **Nicaragua ***
- * **Panama ***
- * **Paraguay ***
- * **Peru ***
- * **Saint Kitts and Nevis ***
- * **Saint Lucia ***
- * **Saint Vincent and the Grenadines ***
- * **Suriname ***
- * **Trinidad and Tobago ***
- * **Uruguay ***
- * **Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) ***

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

266. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English ***

French

Russian

* **Spanish ***

Other : (Please specify)

267. Means of verification for language(s)

Signed PCA

Webex meeting, ToRs, Decisions at the last GRULAC Environment Ministerial Forum

Meeting documents, reports.

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268. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

2900

269. Funding source(s):

Donor name

Swedish Funds KEMI SB-011383.05.06/ M1-32CPL-000539 UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD

2900

Means of verification

Signed PCA

270. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

UNEP ROLAC

Country

United Nations Panama

Means of verification

Signed PCA and reports.

271. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The XX Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) by Decision 8, recognizing the urgent need for concerted action by all countries in the region to effectively address the risks posed to human health and the environment associated with the unsound management of chemicals and all wastes, as well as of the importance to have regional coordination mechanisms, decided to establish an Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste for Latin America and the Caribbean. The main objective of the Network is strengthening the environmentally sound management of chemicals and waste, reinforcing sub-regional and regional cooperation, and facilitating the exchange of experiences, ensuring cooperation and coordination with agreed international and regional frameworks, as well as improving engagement and communication with other stakeholders. The UN Environment Programme (UNEP), Latin America and the Caribbean Office serves as Secretariat of the Network.

The Network is made up of a group of government focal points nominated by the countries of the region and other non-governmental organizations, in order to promote an integrated and intersectoral vision of the actions to be taken. A Steering Committee of the Network was established according to the terms of reference of the Network, comprising two members from each of the sub-regions of Latin America and the Caribbean (Mesoamerica, Caribbean, Andean, and the Southern Cone). During the last period, the Steering Committee led the development

process of the Action Plan for regional cooperation on chemicals and waste management in Latin America and the Caribbean 2021-2024, including the Work Programme 2021-2022 (hereinafter the “Action Plan”), following a comprehensive consultation of priority issues and needs with all the Network’s national focal points.

The Action Plan was submitted and adopted by the XXII Forum of Ministers of Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean, through Decision 1 on Pollution. The Action Plan includes 33 technical cooperation actions within 6 priority topics, namely:

1. Governance and coordination mechanisms
2. Knowledge, information and monitoring
3. Priority issues under the SAICM framework
4. Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS)
5. Mercury
6. Waste management

The objective of the activity is to identify communication gaps in the integrated management of chemical products in the Latin American and Caribbean region.

For the development of this activity, the BCCC-SCRC hired a consultant with knowledge and experience in the subject, for which the terms of reference (TOR) were previously prepared, and the associated contract was drafted and signed.

This activity was followed up weekly in meetings held with UNEP for project activities.

On March 29th a Webinar called "Group session of experts to improve communication on the integrated management of chemicals in Latin America and the Caribbean" where the panel presented different experiences and exchanged on the subject. Based on the group discussions, recommendations and specific actions for the region were proposed. It was a two-hour event and included English-Spanish interpretation.

Based on what was discussed in the section a technical report was generated on the communication gaps in the integral management of chemicals, the report was disseminated through a technical note within the framework of the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste.

Currently, work is being done on an infographic and communication material for awareness. For this point, the BCCC-SCRC contracted an agency to support the design of the communication material.

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/sesion-de-grupo-de-expertos-para-mejorar-la-comunicacion-sobre-la-gestion-integrada-de-los-productos-quimicos-en-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Agenda-sesion-de-grupo-de-expertos-202203-.pdf>

272. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

273. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

*** C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions ***

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

274. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

275. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

*** SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; ***

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

*** SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories; ***

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

*** SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; ***

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

*** BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. ***

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

*** BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. ***

* BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. *

* BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. *

* BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

* BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

* BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. *

276. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

277. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 18 Name:

Addressing Marine Litter and plastic pollution through increased knowledge and cooperation in Southern Atlantic countries.

278. Activity information

Project number

UNEP PCA/CHM/002/2022 Coding Block M1-32SEL-00049 SB-012156.02.34 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701913

Project duration (in month)

8

Start date
3/10/2022

End date
10/31/2022

Planned start date
3/10/2022

Planned end date
10/31/2022

279. To which convention this activity is reported for?

* **Basel Convention (BC)** *

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

280. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

281. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Argentina** *

* **Brazil** *

* **Paraguay** *

* **Uruguay** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

4

282. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

* **Spanish** *

Other : (Please specify)

283. Means of verification for language(s)

Signed PCA UNEP/ROLAC - BCCC-SCRC

Emails, TORs

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/taller-regional-virtual-abordar-la-basura-marina-y-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos-a-traves-de-un-mayor-conocimiento-y-cooperacion-en-los-paises-del-atlantico-sur/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/simposio-sobre-basura-marina-y-la-contaminacion-por-plastico/>

284. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

36800

285. Funding source(s):

Donor name

UNEP/ROLAC POW 522.4 Protecting the Marine Environment from Land-Based Pollution through Strengthened Coordination of Global Action

Amount in USD

36800

Means of verification

Signed PCA UNEP/ROLAC - BCCC-SCRC

Emails, TORs

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/taller-regional-virtual-abordar-la-basura-marina-y-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos-a-traves-de-un-mayor-conocimiento-y-cooperacion-en-los-paises-del-atlantico-sur/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/simposio-sobre-basura-marina-y-la-contaminacion-por-plastico/>

286. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

UNEP ROLAC

Country

United Nations Panama

Means of verification

Signed PCA UNEP/ROLAC - BCCC-SCRC

Emails, TORs

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/taller-regional-virtual-abordar-la-basura-marina-y-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos-a-traves-de-un-mayor-conocimiento-y-cooperacion-en-los-paises-del-atlantico-sur/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/simposio-sobre-basura-marina-y-la-contaminacion-por-plastico/>

287. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The general objective of the Project was to promote the reduction of marine debris, plastics and microplastics based on research, scientific knowledge, appropriate policy recommendations and greater cooperation and awareness in the countries of the South Atlantic: Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay.

For the development of the activities, the BCCC-SCRC prepared the terms of reference and hired international consultants with proven experience in the area of marine litter and plastic pollution in the countries of the South of Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as in the areas of communication and awareness.

Given the execution times of the Project, the consulting team was expanded, with the hiring of two consultants with technical experience and knowledge of the field.

The work team was made up of four consultants, the Ministry of the Environment of Uruguay, the National Directorate of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (DINABISE) and personnel from the BCCC-SCRC. Weekly follow-up meetings were held on Tuesdays at 10:30 am.

As a result of this project, a stakeholder mapping report was prepared, covering stakeholders in sub-regional, national and local authorities, including government authorities (central, regional and sub-national), the private sector, NGOs, researchers and experts, and other relevant actors that are mainly related to the problems of marine litter and microplastics in the countries of the South Atlantic (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay).

A regional Workshop was held on August 3rd, 2022, to build a space for the presentation and exchange of information on the state of knowledge on waste management, marine and plastic pollution in the countries of the South Atlantic. For this activity, the BCCC-SCRC hired a Spanish-Portuguese simultaneous interpretation. The regional Workshop was attended by 53 people. <http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/taller-regional-virtual-abordar-la-basura-marina-y-la-contaminacion-por-plasticos-a-traves-de-un-mayor-conocimiento-y-cooperacion-en-los-paises-del-atlantico-sur/>

A technical report was also prepared carrying out a bibliographic review of the regulations in force for each South Atlantic country related to waste management and contamination by plastics and microplastics. The report also included a review of the literature on the estimation of plastic waste streams destined for the marine and coastal environment and their estimation at the regional level.

On September 28th, 2022, a meeting was held at the national level (Uruguay) in a hybrid format, in which 33 people participated in person and 25 people virtually. The meeting was focused on the exhibition and exchange between Uruguayan actors (national and municipal governments, academia, private sector, others) involved in the issue of waste, marine litter, plastics and microplastics in Uruguay. For this instance, the BCCC-SCRC team coordinated and contracted the streaming service, catering, and the room where the event took place. <http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/simposio-sobre-basura-marina-y-la-contaminacion-por-plastico/>

Finally, the working team focused on the content and design of 10 infographics whose objective is the communication of the subject to the general public. A table of policy recommendations aimed at mitigating pollution by marine plastics and microplastics was prepared, contemplating the following objectives: reduction of plastics, circularity of plastic waste, environmental monitoring and follow-up, citizen science, reduction of contributions to marine environments and Political Sciences. In addition, a document summarizing the project and its results was designed. For all the activities associated with design, the BCCC-SCRC had the support of a company specialized in design and communication, and the summary document was translated into English.

The products will raise awareness in the Southern Cone region about the reduction of marine litter, plastic pollution and microplastics based on scientific and evidence-based information. It will provide useful recommendations during the regulatory development processes. At the same time, it will help guide technical cooperation and information exchange actions.

Financial and Technical Reports were prepared by the BCCC-SCRC to be sent to UNEP during progress and closure of the project.

288. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

289. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* A. Training activities that impart hands on skills *

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

* C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

290. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

291. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. *

BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

* BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes *

* BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. *

* BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. *

* BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. *

* BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. *

* BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

* BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

* BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular

cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. *

292. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

293. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 19 Name:

Development of Minamata Initial Assessment in Cuba.

294. Activity information

Project number

PCA/MIA-Cuba/2020/Nov/Economy Division GEF ID 10652 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701907

Project duration (in month)

30

Start date

1/1/2021

End date

12/31/2022

Planned start date

12/9/2020

Planned end date

6/30/2023

295. To which convention this activity is reported for?

* Basel Convention (BC) *

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

296. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

297. Select country(ies) (hidden)

*** Cuba ***

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

1

298. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

*** English ***

French

Russian

*** Spanish ***

Other : (Please specify)

299. Means of verification for language(s)

Signed PCA: UNEP - BCCC-SCRC

Emails, TORs, Reports

300. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

210000

301. Funding source(s):

Donor name

GEF

Amount in USD

210000

Means of verification
Sigend PCA UNEP - BCCC-SCRC
Emails, TORs, Reports

302. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP

Country
United Nations Kenya

Means of verification
Signed Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) UNEP-BCCC-SCRC
Meeting documents, Meetings summaries, Reports, E-mails.
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/en/minamata/development-of-minamata-initial-assessment-in-cuba/>

303. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The Memorandum of understanding between Oficina de Regulación y Seguridad Ambiental (ORSA) and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre was signed on 20/05/2021.

The National Mercury Coordination Mechanism (NMCM) was established and is providing technical support during the execution of activities, reviewing, socialization, and validation of the MIA Project.

The national work team was conformed by ORSA in January 2022 and all the team was trained in the use of the UNEP toolkit.

The terms of reference for hiring an international consultant were developed by Cuba and the BCCC-SCRC; the selection and the hiring process were carried out by the Centre. The international consultant started to work February 2022 and is currently working on the latest deliverables.

The inception workshop was successfully held on May 16th to 17th, 2022. On May 18th to 19th, face-to-face meetings were held with the technical team of the MIA Cuba Project, the international consultant and the BCCC-SCRC team where discussions on different topics and set-up of the activities were achieved. Several meetings to present the MIA project and planned activities have been done in the first semester of 2022 with different national institutions and stakeholders.

The terms of reference for the hiring a gender consultant were developed. Their deliverables have already been delivered and are awaiting validation.

The identification of existing mercury source categories in Cuba and the collection of input data required for the development of an inventory were carried out exhaustively. The quantification of level 1 and 2 mercury emissions and releases was carried out, its socialization with the NMCM and the presentation of the first draft of the inventory is scheduled for the last week of December 2022.

An identification sheet for sites potentially contaminated with mercury was developed and shared with the provincial ORSA offices for distribution and completion among other local actors.

Most of the MIAS chapters are in the final reviewing or validation phase during the meetings of the NMCM.

MIA has a great value for Basel Convention implementation in Cuba due to the knowledge on mercury waste

production, how these wastes are managed and stored.

304. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

305. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

306. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

307. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. ***

*** BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures. ***

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.

*** BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes ***

*** BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. ***

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*** BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. ***

*** BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and**

other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment *

* BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood. *

* BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes. *

308. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

309. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 20 Name:

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15 in Honduras”

310. Activity information

Project number

SSFA/2019/Economy Division/CHB/Honduras/Art. 07 and 15/Project BCCC-SCRC Number: 701198

Project duration (in month)

37

Start date

8/19/2019

End date

9/15/2022

Planned start date

1/9/2019

Planned end date

05/15/ 2021

311. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

312. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

313. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Honduras** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

1

314. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

* **Spanish** *

Other : (Please specify)

315. Means of verification for language(s)

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/reporting-sc/>

Mails, reports, signed SSFA and amendments, training and calls

316. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

96600

317. Funding source(s):

Donor name
GEF

Amount in USD
96600

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments).

318. Collaborating agency(s):

Organization name
UNEP

Country
United Nations Switzerland

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

319. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The SSFA between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre and the Secretary of Natural Resources and Environmental of Honduras and the Center for Study and Control of Contaminants of Honduras (CCESCO) was signed 08/19/2019.

General objectives:

Update/revise the national gap analysis to assess the quality and completeness of the National Implementation Plan(s) and national reports already submitted by the Honduras, as well as and other relevant national information systems.

Undertake revision/collection of POPs data (quantitative and qualitative).

Activities during 2021

The National Gap Analysis was developed and an online stakeholders' workshop for national gap analysis and POPs data collection report validation and endorsement took place on 24th of February 2021.

Data collection formats and data compilation methods prior starting the POPs data collection process were documented. Desk and databases research for POPs data collection were conducted. Relevant national stakeholders for POPs data collection were contacted. The POPs data collection report was developed.

The terms of reference to hire a national IT expert for supporting the national consultant for the Stockholm Convention implementation on the integrated electronic toolkit testing was developed and published. The selection process was carried out and the consultant was hired. Two technical experts to support the national IT expert were hired and all the team participated to the online training conducted by UNEP, held on 18/06/2021.

A meeting with SINIA staff to introduce the Project and know the existing databases at the MIAMBIENTE level took place on 03/06/21.

An inception workshop to introduce the Project, the Stockholm Convention, the generalities of POPs and electronic reporting systems to SINIA, CESCCO and UPEG staff took place on 16/06/21.

A meeting with AAH and INE staff to introduce the Project and know the AAH database and possible links took place on 24/06/21 and 28/06/21 respectively.

A meeting with DNCC staff to know the progress in the implementation of the National Greenhouse Gas System (SINGEI) took place on 03/08/21.

Report compiling potential linkages with the data management systems available at the national level was developed.

Activities during 2022:

The testing of the integrated electronic toolkit by uploading the POPs data collected was carried out in February 2022 and a report was developed.

The report of the brief description of the arrangements for the administration the integrated Article 7 and 15 electronic toolkit at the national level was developed and approved.

A profile of the current situation of the national commission for the environmentally sound management of chemical products (CNG) and a strategy for the strengthening of it were developed.

An Action plan for improving the transmission of information under article 7 and 15 of the Stockholm Convention and a guidance to update the NIP in Honduras were prepared. The 4th report under Art 15 of the Stockholm Convention was submitted.

Final financial report has been sent to UNEP.

320. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

321. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* A. Training activities that impart hands on skills *

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

* C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions *

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

* E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties *

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

322. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

323. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; *

* SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; *

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

*** SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; ***

SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;

*** SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers; ***

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;

SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

324. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

325. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 21 Name:

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15 in Saint Lucia”

326. Activity information

Project number

SSFA/Saint Lucia/UNEP Economy Division/2020 Project “Articles 7 and 15” GEF ID 9884 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701905

Project duration (in month)

33

Start date

7/29/2020

End date

4/1/2023

Planned start date

7/29/2020

Planned end date

6/6/2022

327. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

328. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

329. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Saint Lucia** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

1

330. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian
Spanish
Other : (Please specify)

331. Means of verification for language(s)

Mails, reports, signed SSFA and amendments, training and calls

332. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
33600

333. Funding source(s):

Donor name
GEF

Amount in USD
33600

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

334. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP

Country
Switzerland

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

335. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The SSFA between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre and Government of Saint Lucia was signed on 07/29/2020.

General objectives:

Update/revise the national gap analysis to assess the quality and completeness of the National Implementation Plan(s) and national reports already submitted by St. Lucia, as well as and other relevant national information

systems.

Undertake revision/collection of POPs data (quantitative and qualitative).

Activities on 2021:

The terms of reference to hire a national IT expert for supporting the national consultant for the Stockholm Convention implementation on the integrated electronic toolkit testing was developed and published. The selection process was carried out and the consultant was hired.

The National Gap Analysis was developed and delivered on June 2021. The NIP Submission Module Format was completed on June 2021.

The national workshop was held within the framework of the project face to face on November 2021.

Activities on 2022:

The testing of the integrated electronic toolkit by uploading the POPs data collected was carried out in August 2022 and a report was developed.

Brief description of the arrangements for the administration the integrated Article 7 and 15 electronic toolkit and the report compiling potential linkages with the data management systems were developed.

The 4th and 5th Art 15 reports under Stockholm Convention were prepared and submitted.

336. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

337. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

*** C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions ***

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

*** E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties ***

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

338. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

339. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; ***

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

*** SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; ***

SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;

*** SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers; ***

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;

SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

340. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

341. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 22 Name:

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15 in in Republic of Moldova”

342. Activity information

Project number

SSFA/2020/ED/CHB/Republic of Moldova/Articles 07 and 15 Project/32GFL/S1-32GFL-000632/11218/SB-009494.01.07 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701903

Project duration (in month)

21

Start date

6/2/2020

End date

3/1/2022

Planned start date

6/2/2020

Planned end date

5/15/2021

343. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

344. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

345. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Republic of Moldova** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

1

346. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

Spanish

Other : (Please specify)

347. Means of verification for language(s)

Mails, reports, signed SSFA and amendments, training and calls

348. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

149100

349. Funding source(s):

Donor name

GEF

Amount in USD

149100

Means of verification

Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments).

350. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

UNEP

Country

United Nations Switzerland

Means of verification

Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments).

351. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The SSFA between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre and Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment of the Republic of Moldova was signed on 06/02/2020.

General objectives:

Update/revise the national gap analysis to assess the quality and completeness of the National Implementation Plan(s) and national reports already submitted by the Republic of Moldova, as well as and other relevant national information systems.

Undertake revision/collection of POPs data (quantitative and qualitative).

Activities during 2021:

Data collection formats and data compilation methods prior starting the POPs data collection process were documented. Desk and databases research for POPs data collection were conducted. Relevant national stakeholders for POPs data collection were contacted. Field visits with limited numbers of experts with Country's key companies was conducted.

The terms of reference to hire a national IT expert for supporting the national consultant for the Stockholm Convention implementation on the integrated electronic toolkit testing was developed and published. The selection process was carried out and the consultant was hired. The technical team and environmental authorities participated to the online training conducted by UNEP on using integrated articles 7 and 15 electronic toolkit.

Report compiling potential linkages with the data management systems available at the national level was developed.

The report of the brief description of the arrangements for the administration the integrated Article 7 and 15 electronic toolkit at the national level was developed and approved.

Activities during 2022:

The testing of the integrated electronic toolkit by uploading the POPs data collected was carried out in February 2022 and a report was developed.

Final financial report has been sent to UNEP.

352. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

353. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

*** C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions ***

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

*** E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties ***

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

354. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

355. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; ***

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

*** SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; ***

SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;

*** SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers; ***

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;

SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

356. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

357. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 23 Name:

“Accelerating the implementation of the chemicals and waste Multilateral Environmental Agreements and achieving the targets of related Sustainable Development Goals for improved human health and a clean environment”

358. Activity information

Project number

Project duration (in month)

3

Start date

10/22/2021

End date

1/21/2022

Planned start date

10/22/2021

Planned end date

1/21/2022

359. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

360. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

361. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Brazil** *

* **Chile** *

* **Colombia** *

* **Costa Rica** *

* **Cuba** *

* **Dominica** *

* **Dominican Republic** *

* **Ecuador** *

* **El Salvador** *

* **Grenada** *

* **Guatemala** *

* **Guyana** *

* **Haiti** *

- * Honduras *
- * Jamaica *
- * Mexico *
- * Nicaragua *
- * Panama *
- * Paraguay *
- * Peru *
- * Saint Kitts and Nevis *
- * Saint Lucia *
- * Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
- * Suriname *
- * Trinidad and Tobago *
- * Uruguay *
- * Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

362. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* English *

French

Russian

* Spanish *

Other : (Please specify)

363. Means of verification for language(s)

Mails, reports, signed SSFA, training and calls

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/estocolmo/acelerar-la-implementacion-de-los-acuerdos-ambientales-multilaterales-sobre-productos-quimicos-y-desechos-y-alcanzar-las-metas-de-los-objetivos-de-desarrollo-sostenible-relacionados-para-mejo/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/capacitacion-inventario-nacional-y-gestion-ambientalmente-racional-gar-de-los-nuevos-compuestos-organicos-persistentes-y-mercurio/>

364. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

80000

365. Funding source(s):

Donor name

GEF

Amount in USD
80000

Means of verification

Mails, reports, signed SSFA, training and calls

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/estocolmo/acelerar-la-implementacion-de-los-acuerdos-ambientales-multilaterales-sobre-productos-quimicos-y-desechos-y-alcanzar-las-metas-de-los-objetivos-de-desarrollo-sostenible-relacionados-para-mejo/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/capitacion-inventario-nacional-y-gestion-ambientalmente-racional-gar-de-los-nuevos-compuestos-organicos-persistentes-y-mercurio/>

366. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP

Country

United Nations Switzerland

Means of verification

Signed Agreement (SSFA)

367. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The SSFA between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre was signed 10/22/2021.

General objective:

Building national capacities of the LAC region to comply with international obligations under the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) and Minamata Convention on Mercury, in accordance with the priorities for the 2021-2024 LAC Regional Action Plan.

The BCCC-SCRC has participated in several online meetings with UNEP/CHB to define the scope of the work.

The terms of reference to hire an international expert team for supporting the activities was developed by the BCCC-SCRC and consultants were hired.

Desk and databases research on MIAs, NAPs and NIPs available documents of the LAC region were conducted. A survey to collect information about the regional training needs was designed and sent to the GRULAC Stockholm and Minamata national focal points.

The survey received answers were monitored and the information collected was analyzed. The report on the prioritization of training needs topics was developed and delivered to UNEP.

Training program and materials were developed and the training, in online format by Zoom, was held January 18th to 20th, 2022. Post-training report on outcomes of the training sessions and remaining challenges on POPs management in LAC region was delivered.

Training materials were disseminated with the participants in Spanish and English.

Outcomes:

- Report on the prioritization of training topics related to new listed POPs inventory development; POPs stockpiles and wastes sound management; and uPOPs source categories and releases inventory development, including the link on the common source categories for mercury and uPOPs.
- Training materials, both in English and Spanish, on the priority topics related to the:
 - a. new listed POPs inventory development;
 - b. POPs stockpiles and wastes sound management;
 - c. uPOPs source categories and releases inventory development, including the link on the common source categories for mercury and uPOPs.
- One separate training session per each topic related to the new listed POPs inventory development; POPs stockpiles and wastes sound management; and uPOPs source categories and releases inventory development, including the link on the common source categories for mercury and uPOPs; 'Train the trainer' training sessions.
- Report on the outcomes of the training and identified remaining challenges on POPs management in the Spanish speaking countries in the LAC region.

368. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

369. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

370. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

371. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

*** SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; ***

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

*** SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants; ***

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;

*** SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers; ***

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

*** SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants; ***

*** SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes; ***

*** SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; ***

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

*** SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants. ***

372. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

*** Yes ***

No

373. If yes, please elaborate on what was the contribution of the centre in identifying this activity; on what was done to document, on what was done to implement; and on means of verification.

What was done to identify the activity

A survey on needs was developed and sent to GRULAC Stockholm and Minamata Conventions Focal Points.

All the countries involved completed the questionnaire with their individual strengthening's needs. Common needs arose such as greater and better technical assistance aimed at fulfilling and advancing specific and priority commitments for the Stockholm and Minamata conventions, confirmed the interest in carrying out inventories of Perfluorinated, Chlorinated and Brominated Paraffins. It was evident the concern of the countries to evaluate the Perfluorinated compounds and the lack of data in the evaluation of Chlorinated Paraffins (SCCPs).

A search was made between international experts in POPs from the GRULAC region, finding and hiring Ana Patricia Martinez (Mexico), Marcia Suazo (Honduras) and José Castro Díaz (mexico) to begin relieving the needs of the region and designing a training course these issues in conjunction with the BCCC-SCRC.

What was done to document

A complete online training course program was elaborated. All the countries from the region were invited to participate and all interested potential participant from each country was able to attend the course.

The BCCC-SCRC has got all the material, presentations and exercises of the course, list of attendance and course certificates.

A short evaluation was made at the end of the training.

Means of verification

Course report.

The course documents and presentations there are in the following link:

<https://classroom.google.com/c/NDUwNDgwODQ4ODcw>

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Sn_tq6auGsJZc7-JWTpoBFzv12gN0KpfmhYn2XgS53I/edit?ts=619e4972

374. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

*** Yes ***

No

375. If yes, please describe in what way it was efficiently managed and conducted by the centre; in what way it was effectively managed and conducted by the centre and; in what way it was transparently managed and conducted by the centre.

Efficiently

In 4 months, the consultants were selected, hired and the course program was defined.

A letter of invitation was sent to the Stockholm and Minamata Conventions focal points of all GRULAC countries and simultaneous interpretation Spanish-English, English-Spanish was hired. The virtual platform was selected and paid as well.

Effectively

Forty seven people received the training with a great participation and interest from the audience. A group of consultants which attended the course established an exchange mechanism with international experts based on national realities, lessons learned and experiences.

The discussions during the training were important.

The training devolution from participants was very good.

Transparently

A questionnaire was developed to assess the needs of the region, and the course program was developed considering the responses received. The invitation was released to all the countries.

Countries were contacted through different national stakeholders to accurate the participation in the course.

All funds received and managed by the financial department of the Centre are audited and can be audited for an external organization at any time.

All activities are published in our website.

Means of verification

The course documents and presentations there are in the following link:

<https://classroom.google.com/c/NDUwNDgwODQ4ODcw>

Activity 24 Name:

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15” (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item: Promoting the information exchange and capacity building on the project outputs.

376. Activity information

Project number

SSFA/2022/ED/CHB/BCCC-SCRC-LATU/POPs BP No.: 1500001148 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701911

Project duration (in month)

14

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

4/1/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

4/1/2023

377. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

378. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

379. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Brazil** *

- * Chile *
- * Colombia *
- * Costa Rica *
- * Cuba *
- * Dominica *
- * Dominican Republic *
- * Ecuador *
- * El Salvador *
- * Grenada *
- * Guatemala *
- * Guyana *
- * Haiti *
- * Honduras *
- * Jamaica *
- * Mexico *
- * Nicaragua *
- * Panama *
- * Paraguay *
- * Peru *
- * Saint Kitts and Nevis *
- * Saint Lucia *
- * Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
- * Suriname *
- * Trinidad and Tobago *
- * Uruguay *
- * Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

380. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* English *

French

Russian

* Spanish *

Other : (Please specify)

381. Means of verification for language(s)

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/estocolmo/11775-2/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/taller-regional-de-desarrollo-de-capacidades-para-mejorar-el-desarrollo-actualizacion-y-presentacion-de-planos-nacionales-de-aplicacion-pna-e-informes-nacionales-bajo-el-convenio-de-estocolmo/>

<https://ee.humanitarianresponse.info/x/x4E8Vt65>

<https://wedocs.unep.org/handle/20.500.11822/36587>

E-mails, reports, signed SSFA and amendments.

382. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
17500

383. Funding source(s):

Donor name
GEF

Amount in USD
17500

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

384. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP

Country
Switzerland

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

385. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

Total project budget (in USD) is 249.925 total, for this sub item is 17.500.

The SSFA between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre was signed 02/10/2022.

General objectives:

- To promote the integrated articles 7 and 15 electronic toolkit and its use among the Parties served by the BCCC-SCRC, thus contributing toward achieving the objective of the GEF project, namely to facilitate the development, transmission, access and use of data contained in National Implementation Plans (NIP, Article 7) and National Reports (Article 15).
- To support strengthening conditions for sustainable monitoring of POPs at regional and national levels towards fulfilling the obligations under the Stockholm Convention in particular its effectiveness evaluation.
- To support the development of communication materials and technical reports related to the Stockholm Convention and UNEA.

The terms of reference for an international expert on POPs an international expert on Gender for supporting the activities were developed and the consultants were hired, one of the activities under this item was: information

exchange on the Guide on incorporating Gender Dimensions into National Strategy Setting in the Context of Chemicals Management, particularly on the Stockholm Convention National Implementations Plans (NIPs). The summary of the information included in the gap analysis developed under the project, as well as the status of NIPs and national reports under the Stockholm Convention was submitted, in English and Spanish languages. An online webinar: “Regional capacity-building workshop to improve the development, update and submission of National Implementation Plans (NIPs) and National Reports under the Stockholm Convention” took place on 20th July 2022 with simultaneous translation English-Spanish to disseminate the summary of the information included in the gap analysis and how to incorporate Gender Dimensions into National Strategy Setting in the Context of Chemicals Management. The presentations were in charge of the BCCC-SCRC, the international consultants and UNEP. It counted with the participation of 46 people representing 13 countries of GRULAC. The guide “Incorporating Gender Dimensions into National Strategy Setting in Chemicals Management for Minamata Convention National Action Plans for Artisanal and Small-scale Gold Mining and Stockholm Convention National Implementation Plans” was shared with the participants due to the lack of expertise under Stockholm Convention. A survey was developed and sent to the participants to collect information about the gender dimension in LAC. A report on compilation of lessons learned/best practices/remaining challenges identified and collected among the Parties served on incorporating gender dimensions on the NIP development/update was delivered. A report on technical support provided to enable the Parties served to initiate national gap analysis for checking the quality and completeness of the National Implementation Plan(s) and national reports already submitted to the Secretariat and highlighting the needs for future streamlining of the data revision/collection process under the national reports and the National Implementation Plan(s) and minimum one final national gap analysis for one of the Parties served will be delivered in the next months together with the report on lessons learned/best practices/remaining challenges identified and collected among the Parties served on the interconnections and streamlining of the NIP development/update and national reporting.

386. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

387. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* A. Training activities that impart hands on skills *

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

388. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

389. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; *

* SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the

potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; *

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

*** SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; ***

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

*** SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans; ***

*** SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; ***

*** SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers; ***

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

*** SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants; ***

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

*** SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; ***

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

*** SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants. ***

390. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

391. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 25 Name:

"Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15" (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item:

Promoting the capacity building and information exchange on the general considerations for setting up national mechanisms for NIP development/update and reporting, as well as for priority setting under the NIP development/update.

392. Activity information

Project number

SSFA/2022/ED/CHB/BCCC-SCRC-LATU/POPs BP No.: 1500001148 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701911

Project duration (in month)

14

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

4/1/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

4/1/2023

393. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

394. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

395. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Brazil** *

* **Chile** *

* **Colombia** *

* **Costa Rica** *

- * Cuba *
- * Dominica *
- * Dominican Republic *
- * Ecuador *
- * El Salvador *
- * Grenada *
- * Guatemala *
- * Guyana *
- * Haiti *
- * Honduras *
- * Jamaica *
- * Mexico *
- * Nicaragua *
- * Panama *
- * Paraguay *
- * Peru *
- * Saint Kitts and Nevis *
- * Saint Lucia *
- * Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
- * Suriname *
- * Trinidad and Tobago *
- * Uruguay *
- * Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)
33

396. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic
Chinese
* English *
French
Russian
* Spanish *
Other : (Please specify)

397. Means of verification for language(s)

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/estocolmo/11775-2/>
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeAvBrLgCdidsQgMA3drkoMaapQNc7IeFZ3LMuibL3J0fvvQA/view>
form

E-mails, reports, signed SSFA and amendments.

398. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

12500

399. Funding source(s):

Donor name
GEF

Amount in USD
12500

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments).

400. Collaborating agency(s):

Organization name
UNEP

Country
Switzerland

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

401. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

Total project budget (in USD) is 249.925 total, for this sub item is 12.500.

The SSFA between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre was signed 02/10/2022.

General objectives:

- To promote the integrated articles 7 and 15 electronic toolkit and its use among the Parties served by the BCCC-SCRC, thus contributing toward achieving the objective of the GEF project, namely to facilitate the development, transmission, access and use of data contained in National Implementation Plans (NIP, Article 7) and National Reports (Article 15).
- To support strengthening conditions for sustainable monitoring of POPs at regional and national levels towards fulfilling the obligations under the Stockholm Convention in particular its effectiveness evaluation.
- To support the development of communication materials and technical reports related to the Stockholm Convention and UNEA.

The terms of reference for an international expert on POPs were developed and the consultant was hired.

A survey was developed and sent to the participants to collect information with the objective of identify the difficulties faced by the countries to comply with the presentation of their National Report (Article 7) and the updating of their National Implementation Plans (Article 15) in LAC.

Online webinar “Regional Webinar on Capacity building and information exchange on the general considerations for setting up national mechanisms for NIP development/update and reporting” took place on 29th September 2022 with simultaneous translation English-Spanish. The presentations were in charge of the BCCC-SCRC, the international consultant and UNEP. It counted with the participation of 50 people representing 22 countries of

GRULAC.

The objectives of the webinar were:

- Socialize the integrated articles 7 and 15 electronic toolkit to improve the Transmission of Information under Articles 07 and 15 of the Stockholm Convention.
- Disseminate the findings of the gap analysis and the status of the national implementation plans and national reports submitted by the Parties under Articles 07 and 15 of the Stockholm Convention.
- Present the results of the survey to identify the needs to comply with the presentation of the national report (under Article 7) and update of their national implementation plans (Article 15).
- Report on the existing methodology for the implementation of a national coordinating mechanism for updating the NAP and national report.

A report on compilation of lessons learned/best practices/remaining challenges identified and collected among the Parties served on the national mechanisms for NIP development/update and reporting and priority setting under the NIP development/update will be delivered in the next quarter 2023.

402. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

403. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

404. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

405. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; ***

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

*** SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; ***

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

*** SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans; ***

*** SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; ***

*** SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers; ***

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

*** SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants; ***

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

*** SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; ***

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

*** SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants. ***

406. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

407. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 26 Name:

"Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15" (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item: * Promoting the use of the integrated articles 7 and 15 electronic toolkit.

408. Activity information

Project number

SSFA/2022/ED/CHB/BCCC-SCRC-LATU/POPs BP No.: 1500001148 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701911

Project duration (in month)

14

Start date
2/10/2022

End date
4/1/2023

Planned start date
2/10/2022

Planned end date
4/1/2023

409. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

410. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

411. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Brazil** *

* **Chile** *

* **Colombia** *

* **Costa Rica** *

* **Cuba** *

* **Dominica** *

* **Dominican Republic** *

* **Ecuador** *

* **El Salvador** *

* **Grenada** *

* **Guatemala** *

* **Guyana** *

* **Haiti** *

* **Honduras** *

* **Jamaica** *

* **Mexico** *

- * Nicaragua *
- * Panama *
- * Paraguay *
- * Peru *
- * Saint Kitts and Nevis *
- * Saint Lucia *
- * Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
- * Suriname *
- * Trinidad and Tobago *
- * Uruguay *
- * Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

412. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* English *

French

Russian

* Spanish *

Other : (Please specify)

413. Means of verification for language(s)

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/estocolmo/11775-2/>

<https://onedrive.live.com/view.aspx?resid=E484EEF790C6DAD6!76215&ithint=file%2cpptx&authkey=!AIbvoV2CWUG5Rdw>

<https://1drv.ms/p/s!AtbaxpD37oTkhNMIrNt7ImX6zxX3Pw>

E-mails, reports, signed SSFA and amendments.

414. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

67500

415. Funding source(s):

Donor name

GEF

Amount in USD

67500

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments).

416. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP

Country
Switzerland

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

417. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

Total project budget (in USD) is 249.925 total, for this sub item is 67.500.
The SSFA between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre was signed 02/10/2022.

General objectives:

- To promote the integrated articles 7 and 15 electronic toolkit and its use among the Parties served by the BCCC-SCRC, thus contributing toward achieving the objective of the GEF project, namely to facilitate the development, transmission, access and use of data contained in National Implementation Plans (NIP, Article 7) and National Reports (Article 15).
- To support strengthening conditions for sustainable monitoring of POPs at regional and national levels towards fulfilling the obligations under the Stockholm Convention in particular its effectiveness evaluation.
- To support the development of communication materials and technical reports related to the Stockholm Convention and UNEA.

The terms of reference for three international experts on POPs were developed and the consultants were hired. The development of the technical description of two self-paced training courses on available POPs related guidance documents were finished and the courses delivered to the China Centre for its design.

The Spanish translation of the integrated electronic toolkit modules was ready and delivered.

An online training on the integrated electronic toolkit structure, functionalities, and use will be take place the next trimester of the 2023.

Based on the information collected in the previous webinars and from exchanges with the countries, 2 countries were selected to participate in the pilot testing of the toolkit. One of the countries is confirmed and we are waiting for the confirmation of the second one.

An agreement was developed with the countries to ensure their commitment with the participation in the training programmed by the BCCC-SCRC within the framework of this project, to complete the national gap analysis in compliance with articles 7 and 15 of the Stockholm Convention and the unified report in the integrated toolkit, to provide the international consultant with the necessary documentation for advice on the preparation of the national gap analysis and presentation of the unified report (National Action Plan, national reports presented and other reports presented before the Stockholm Convention) and collaborate in the identification of lessons learned, good practices, challenges, and opportunities for improvement in the process of preparation and presentation of the unified report.

A report on the Parties served experiences in using the integrated electronic toolkit will be delivered at the end of all activities.

418. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

* Yes *

No

419. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* A. Training activities that impart hands on skills *

* B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures *

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

* D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities *

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

420. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

* Yes *

No

421. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; *

* SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; *

* SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: *

* SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; *

SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

* SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; *

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

* SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans; *

* SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; *

* SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers; *

* SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: *

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

* SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; *

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

* SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants; *

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

* SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; *

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing

country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

* **SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;** *

* **SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;** *

* **SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.** *

422. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* **No** *

423. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* **No** *

Activity 27 Name:

"Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15" (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item: * Support strengthening regional and national capacities and conduct pilot test to strengthen regional coordination on sustainable monitoring of POPs.

424. Activity information

Project number

SSFA/2022/ED/CHB/BCCC-SCRC-LATU/POPs BP No.: 1500001148 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701911

Project duration (in month)

14

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

4/1/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

4/1/2023

425. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

426. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

427. Select country(ies) (hidden)

- * **Antigua and Barbuda** *
- * **Argentina** *
- * **Bahamas** *
- * **Barbados** *
- * **Belize** *
- * **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *
- * **Brazil** *
- * **Chile** *
- * **Colombia** *
- * **Costa Rica** *
- * **Cuba** *
- * **Dominica** *
- * **Dominican Republic** *
- * **Ecuador** *
- * **El Salvador** *
- * **Grenada** *
- * **Guatemala** *
- * **Guyana** *
- * **Haiti** *
- * **Honduras** *
- * **Jamaica** *
- * **Mexico** *
- * **Nicaragua** *
- * **Panama** *
- * **Paraguay** *
- * **Peru** *
- * **Saint Kitts and Nevis** *
- * **Saint Lucia** *
- * **Saint Vincent and the Grenadines** *
- * **Suriname** *
- * **Trinidad and Tobago** *
- * **Uruguay** *
- * **Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)
33

428. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic
Chinese
* English *
French
Russian
* Spanish *
Other : (Please specify)

429. Means of verification for language(s)

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/estocolmo/11775-2/>
E-mails, reports, signed SSFA and amendments.

430. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
61700

431. Funding source(s):

Donor name
GEF

Amount in USD
61700

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments).

432. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name
UNEP

Country
Switzerland

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

433. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

Total project budget (in USD) is 249.925 total, for this sub item is 61.700.

The SSFA between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre was signed 02/10/2022.

General objectives:

- To promote the integrated articles 7 and 15 electronic toolkit and its use among the Parties served by the BCCC-SCRC, thus contributing toward achieving the objective of the GEF project, namely to facilitate the development, transmission, access and use of data contained in National Implementation Plans (NIP, Article 7) and National Reports (Article 15).
- To support strengthening conditions for sustainable monitoring of POPs at regional and national levels towards fulfilling the obligations under the Stockholm Convention in particular its effectiveness evaluation.
- To support the development of communication materials and technical reports related to the Stockholm Convention and UNEA.

The terms of reference for an international expert on POPs were developed and a consultant was hired.

A survey was developed, translated into French and English and sent to GRULAC, Africa, Asia and Pacific regions to identify priority areas where regional coordination is needed for sustainable monitoring of POPs. The survey was shared with the BCRC China and BCRC South Africa in order to be share with the countries of their regions.

An assessment of national POPs monitoring capacity and needs of Africa, Asia, Pacific, and Latin America and the Caribbean countries was developed.

A substantive content for a training module to support strengthening national capacity on POPs monitoring will be delivered and translated into Spanish and French.

434. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

435. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

436. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

437. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

* **SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;** *

* **SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;** *

* **SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:** *

* **SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;** *

* **SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;** *

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

* **SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;** *

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

* **SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;** *

* **SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;** *

* **SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;** *

* **SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:** *

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

* **SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;** *

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

* **SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;** *

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

* **SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;** *

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

* **SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;** *

* **SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;** *

* **SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.** *

438. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* **No** *

439. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* **No** *

Activity 28 Name:

“Integrated SC toolkit to improve the transmission of information under Articles 07 and 15” (GEF ID 9884) and GEF-funded project "Continuing Regional Support for POPs Global Monitoring Plan under the Stockholm Convention" in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions (GEF ID 4886, 4894, 4881, 6978). Sub item: * * Support the development of communication materials technical reports related to the Stockholm Convention and UNEA.

440. Activity information

Project number

SSFA/2022/ED/CHB/BCCC-SCRC-LATU/POPs BP No.: 1500001148 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701911

Project duration (in month)

14

Start date

2/10/2022

End date

4/1/2023

Planned start date

2/10/2022

Planned end date

4/1/2023

441. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

442. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

443. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Antigua and Barbuda** *

* **Argentina** *

* **Bahamas** *

* **Barbados** *

* **Belize** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

- * Brazil *
- * Chile *
- * Colombia *
- * Costa Rica *
- * Cuba *
- * Dominica *
- * Dominican Republic *
- * Ecuador *
- * El Salvador *
- * Grenada *
- * Guatemala *
- * Guyana *
- * Haiti *
- * Honduras *
- * Jamaica *
- * Mexico *
- * Nicaragua *
- * Panama *
- * Paraguay *
- * Peru *
- * Saint Kitts and Nevis *
- * Saint Lucia *
- * Saint Vincent and the Grenadines *
- * Suriname *
- * Trinidad and Tobago *
- * Uruguay *
- * Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

33

444. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* English *

French

Russian

* Spanish *

Other : (Please specify)

445. Means of verification for language(s)

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/estocolmo/11775-2/>

E-mails, reports, signed SSFA and amendments.

446. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
85725

447. Funding source(s):

Donor name
GEF

Amount in USD
85725

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

448. Collaborating agency(s):

Organization name
UNEP

Country
Switzerland

Means of verification
Signed Agreements (SSFA and Amendments)

449. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

Total project budget (in USD) is 249.925 total, for this sub item is 85.725.
The SSFA between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre was signed 02/10/2022.

General objectives:

- To promote the integrated articles 7 and 15 electronic toolkit and its use among the Parties served by the BCCC-SCRC, thus contributing toward achieving the objective of the GEF project, namely to facilitate the development, transmission, access and use of data contained in National Implementation Plans (NIP, Article 7) and National Reports (Article 15).
- To support strengthening conditions for sustainable monitoring of POPs at regional and national levels towards fulfilling the obligations under the Stockholm Convention in particular its effectiveness evaluation.
- To support the development of communication materials and technical reports related to the Stockholm Convention and UNEA.

Terms of reference for an international expert on POPs, a graphic designer, an advertising agency and an international publications consultant were developed, and the consultants were hired.

The work plan to develop messages and communication materials for the dissemination of knowledge and information on POPs and POPs monitoring was developed. The advertising agency was hired to define key messages and to develop creative content.

The campaigns in social media, the characters, videos, infographics, posters, banners and design of the web page

where the campaign will be hosted are in development.

Editorial review of technical reports related to the Stockholm Convention and UNEA to ensure scientific accuracy and clarity with respect to language, conformation and consistency of writing style were delivered. Relevant content, design graphics, layouts, and title pages were reviewed.

450. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

451. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

452. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

453. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; ***

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

*** SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; ***

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

*** SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans; ***

*** SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts; ***

*** SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers; ***

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;

*** SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants; ***

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;

*** SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; ***

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

*** SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; ***

*** SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; ***

*** SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants. ***

454. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

*** No ***

455. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

*** No ***

Activity 29 Name:

“Global Development, Review and Update of National Implementation Plans (NIPs) under the Stockholm Convention (SC) on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)”

456. Activity information

Project number

Project number PCA/Economy Division/2022/Feb/NIP Global FSP GEF ID: 10785 Grant: S1-32GFL-000733

WBSE: SB-018729.03.01.03 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701915

Project duration (in month)

51

Start date

3/3/2022

End date

6/30/2026

Planned start date

3/3/2022

Planned end date
6/30/2026

457. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

458. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

459. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Peru** *

* **Uruguay** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

3

460. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

* **English** *

French

Russian

* **Spanish** *

Other : (Please specify)

461. Means of verification for language(s)

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/en/estocolmo/global-development-review-and-update-of-national-implementation-plans-nips-under-the-stockholm-convention-sc-on-persistent-organic-pollutants-pops/>
E-mails, reports, signed PCA, signed agreements BCCC-SCRC with Countries.

462. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)
926400

463. Funding source(s):

Donor name
GEF

Amount in USD
926400

Means of verification
Signed Agreement (PCA)

464. Collaborating agency(s):

Organization name
UNEP

Country
Switzerland

Means of verification
Signed Agreement (PCA)

465. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre was signed on 03/03/2022 and the first installment arrived on 03/30/2022. The BCCC-SCRC is supporting three countries: Bolivia, Peru and Uruguay.

The main objective of the project is to facilitate the implementation of the Stockholm Convention in participating countries through the development, review and update of their NIPs and submission of them to the Conference of the Parties (COP) of the Stockholm Convention.

Project components:

Component 1: Political support and stakeholder involvement for NIP development, endorsement and future implementation.

Component 2: Development of NIP review and update system and related tools; capacity built to use them.

Component 3: NIP development, review and update (Art. 7) in coordination with national reporting (Art. 15).

Component 4: Knowledge management and information sharing.

Component 5: Monitoring and evaluation.

A memorandum of understanding between the BCCC-SCRC and each country was developed and sent to the three countries on May 2022. In Uruguay and Peru, the process of internalizing the agreement is coming to an end and both agreements are expected to be signed shortly. Bolivia is a little further behind in reviewing the agreement, but it is supposed that Bolivia will be accompanied with the rest of the countries so the activities can start at the same time

in all countries.

The BCCC-SCRC has been in contact with Melanie Ashton of the Green Growth Knowledge Partnership about the global inception workshop and the Centre is waiting for a confirmation of it. The countries hope to hold their national inception workshop after the global workshop.

The Centre is working in the development of the Terms of reference of the National Coordinator and the National Mechanism of Coordination with each country.

466. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

467. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

468. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

469. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; ***

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: ***

*** SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; ***

*** SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; ***

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

*** SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; ***

*** SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants; ***

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;

*** SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers; ***

*** SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including: ***

*** SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions; ***

*** SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; ***

*** SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard**

sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories; *

- * SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants; *
- * SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes; *
- * SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; *

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;
SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

- * SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; *
- * SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; *
- * SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants. *

470. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* No *

471. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* No *

Activity 30 Name:

“Global Development, Review and Update of National Implementation Plans (NIPs) under the Stockholm Convention (SC) on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)” Global Component

472. Activity information

Project number

Project number PCA/Economy Division/2022/Feb/NIP Global FSP GEF ID: 10785 Grant: S1-32GFL-000733
WBSE: SB-018729.03.01.03 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701915

Project duration (in month)

51

Start date

3/3/2022

End date

6/30/2026

Planned start date
3/3/2022

Planned end date
6/30/2026

473. To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify)

474. Beneficiary country(ies)

Add or show beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

475. Select country(ies) (hidden)

* **Bahamas** *

* **Bolivia (Plurinational State of)** *

* **Bosnia and Herzegovina** *

* **Burundi** *

* **Cambodia** *

* **Cameroon** *

* **Côte d'Ivoire** *

* **Dominica** *

* **Gambia** *

* **Georgia** *

* **Guinea** *

* **Kenya** *

* **Madagascar** *

* **Montenegro** *

* **Peru** *

* **Senegal** *

* **Seychelles** *

* **The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia** *

* **Uganda** *

* **Uruguay** *

* **Zimbabwe** *

Number of beneficiary country(ies)

21

476. Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

*** English ***

French

Russian

Spanish

Other : (Please specify)

477. Means of verification for language(s)

E-mails, reports, signed PCA.

478. Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)

308800

479. Funding source(s):

Donor name

GEF

Amount in USD

308800

Means of verification

Signed Agreement (PCA)

480. Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name

UNEP

Country

Switzerland

Means of verification

Signed Agreement (PCA)

481. Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre was signed on 03/03/2022.

The main objective of the project is to facilitate the implementation of the Stockholm Convention in participating countries through the development, review and update of their NIPs and submission of them to the Conference of the Parties (COP) of the Stockholm Convention.

Project components:

Component 1: Political support and stakeholder involvement for NIP development, endorsement and future implementation.

Component 2: Development of NIP review and update system and related tools; capacity built to use them.

Component 3: NIP development, review and update (Art. 7) in coordination with national reporting (Art. 15).

Component 4: Knowledge management and information sharing.

Component 5: Monitoring and evaluation.

The BCCC-SCRC has participated in a meeting at 2021 BRS COP on the global component with all the Countries involved and the executing agencies.

Several calls have been done at the global level.

A meeting has been held during the Centre's Directors meeting, November 2022.

The BCCC-SCRC has been in contact with Melanie Ashton of the Green Growth Knowledge Partnership about the global inception workshop and the Centre is waiting for a confirmation of it. The countries hope to hold their national inception workshop after the global workshop.

482. Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

*** Yes ***

No

483. To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** A. Training activities that impart hands on skills ***

*** B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures ***

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

*** D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities ***

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

484. Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

*** Yes ***

No

485. If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

*** SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; ***

*** SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; ***

*** SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the**

Convention in: *

* **SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;** *

* **SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;** *

SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;

* **SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;** *

* **SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;** *

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;

SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;

* **SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;** *

* **SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:** *

* **SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;** *

* **SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;** *

* **SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;** *

* **SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;** *

* **SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;** *

* **SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;** *

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

* **SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;** *

* **SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;** *

* **SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.** *

486. Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes

* **No** *

487. Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes

* **No** *

488. List of the activities or meetings in which your centre participated or technical contribution made which are not reported under Part II.

* **Basel** *

* **Rotterdam** *

* **Stockholm** *

*** Minamata ***

*** SAICM ***

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

IOMC Webinar series 2021-2022

Relevant date

01/19/2021

Brief description

IOMC Toolbox for Decision-Making in Chemicals Management Webinar, diffusion on the BCCC-SCRC website. The webinar was part of a series organized by the different IOMC organizations and provided participants with an overview of the updated online version of the Toolbox as well as a comprehensive presentation of the Industrial Chemicals Management scheme which provides guidance and support to strengthen the capabilities of countries in assessing risks associated with industrial chemicals throughout their lifecycle and managing them safely. Webinar series 2021-2022.

*** Basel ***

Rotterdam

Stockholm

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

PACE

Relevant date

01/29/2021

Brief description

Online meeting of the working group of the Follow up Partnership to PACE (2021 – 2022)

*** Basel ***

Rotterdam

Stockholm

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

SGP on plastic waste

Relevant date

02/05/2021

Brief description

SGP on plastic waste: The new selected projects, the inventory toolkit and the ESM guidance, webinar.

Basel

Rotterdam

Stockholm

*** Minamata ***

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Hg Expert Group

Relevant date
1/7/2021

Brief description
Participation of 1 affiliate of the BCCC-SCRC Uruguay, Gabriela Medina, member of the Hg monitoring and effectiveness evaluation under Minamata Convention.

Relevant date
7 Jan 2021: Send out the full draft guidance to identified experts.
21 Jan: Deadline of comments.
29 Jan: Post the draft guidance on the web.
31 March: Commenting deadline.

*** Basel ***

Rotterdam
Stockholm
Minamata
SAICM
Other, please specify
Name of the activity
SIWG on plastic wastes

Relevant date
12/8/2022

Brief description
Participation of 1 affiliate of the BCCC-SCRC Uruguay, Gabriela Medina, member of the SIWG on plastic wastes, online meetings 2021 and 2022, face to face meeting December 8th to 10th 2022.

Basel
Rotterdam
*** Stockholm ***
Minamata
SAICM
Other, please specify
Name of the activity
global coordination group

Relevant date
10/27/2021

Brief description
Participation by 1 member of the BCCC-SCRC Uruguay, Alejandra Torre, in the meeting of the global coordination group for the global monitoring plan under the Stockholm Convention Online October 27th to 29th, 2021.

Basel
Rotterdam
*** Stockholm ***
Minamata
SAICM
Other, please specify
Name of the activity
POPs global coordination group

Relevant date
10/30/2022

Brief description

Participation by 1 member of the BCCC-SCRC Uruguay (Alejandra Torre) at the meeting of the global coordination group for the global monitoring plan under the Stockholm Convention Geneva, Switzerland, October 30th to 31st, 2022

Basel
Rotterdam
*** Stockholm ***

Minamata
SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Expert Consultation Meeting on Final Results of the UNEP/GEF GMP POPs Projects

Relevant date
6/5/2022

Brief description

Participation by 1 member of the BCCC-SCRC Uruguay (Alejandra Torre) at the Expert Consultation Meeting on Final Results of the UNEP/GEF GMP POPs Projects in the Africa, Asia, Pacific and GRULAC Regions. Dates: 5-6 June, 2022. Venue: CICG, Geneva, Switzerland. With a wealth of data generated and experience gained during the implementation of these projects, and taking into consideration the increasing needs for scientifically sound facts to support informed decision making at global, regional and national levels, this meeting aims to discuss with data generators and experts to identify key findings and messages of the UNEP/GEF POPs GMP II projects in four regions, identify gaps in data generation and capacities based on the outcomes of the projects, and to discuss on follow-up steps towards conclusion of the projects.

Basel
Rotterdam
*** Stockholm ***

Minamata
SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

UNEP/GEF POPs GMP2 Regional Virtual Meeting Analytical Results of POPs

Relevant date
11/22/2021

Brief description

Participation by 1 member of the BCCC-SCRC Uruguay (Alejandra Torre) at the UNEP/GEF POPs GMP2 Regional Virtual Meeting Analytical Results of POPs in Human Milk and National Samples and Preparation of Project Final Reports.

Objective:

- Present and explain the analytical results of POPs in human milk and national samples.
- Provide clarifications on the results as needed.
- Discuss about the preparation of project final reports.

Basel
Rotterdam
*** Stockholm ***

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Fourth Round Biennial Interlaboratory Assessment of Persistent Organic Pollutants

Relevant date

07/21/2021

Brief description

Participation by 1 member of the BCCC-SCRC Uruguay (Alejandra Torre) at the Final Workshop for the Fourth Round Biennial Interlaboratory Assessment of Persistent Organic Pollutants.

Objective:

- Overview of the results and outcomes of the 4th round biennial interlaboratory assessment on POPs.
- Discuss the analytical aspects and performance with laboratories that participated in the assessment.

* **Basel** *

* **Rotterdam** *

* **Stockholm** *

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

BRS COP

Relevant date

06/06/2022

Brief description

Participation at the Conferences of the Parties of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions, 26 to 30 July 2021 (online segment) and from 6 to 17 June 2022 (face-to-face segment), Geneva, Switzerland with funds from BCCC-SCRC Uruguay (Alejandra Torre).

* **Basel** *

Rotterdam

Stockholm

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

BRS COP Side Event

Relevant date

06/15/2022

Brief description

Side Event on Zero Waste Cities during the Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions, Geneva, Switzerland, 15 June 2022 (Gabriela Medina). The BCCC-SCRC Uruguay was Co-sponsor during this Side Event.

* **Basel** *

Rotterdam

Stockholm

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity
EMS of plastic waste

Relevant date
07/11/2022

Brief description
Participation by 1 members of the BCCC-SCRC Uruguay (Natalia Maciel) at the Improve the EMS of plastic waste and prevent and minimize the generation of plastic waste through the certification of plastic recycling industries in Argentina closing workshop in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

*** Basel ***

Rotterdam

*** Stockholm ***

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

INC 1 Informative session

Relevant date
12/01/2022

Brief description
Informative session hosted by the Government of Uruguay: Lessons learned and challenges in the management of plastic packaging waste within the framework of the circular economy and The Basel and Stockholm Conventions Center and its role in the subject of plastic, INC 1, December 1st, Punta del Este, Uruguay (Gabriela Medina participation).

Basel

Rotterdam

Stockholm

*** Minamata ***

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Minamata COPs

Relevant date
03/21/2022

Brief description
Fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (COP-4) – online segment and face to face segment (Gabriela Medina participation). Face to face meeting in Bali, Indonesia, March 21st to 25th, 2022.

*** Basel ***

Rotterdam

*** Stockholm ***

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Directors Annual joint meeting

Relevant date

11/23/2021

Brief description

Annual joint meeting to enhance cooperation and coordination between the Regional Centres under the Basel and Stockholm Conventions, November 23rd – 24th, 2021, online form (all BCCC-SCRC participation).

* **Basel** *

Rotterdam

* **Stockholm** *

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Directors Annual joint meeting

Relevant date

11/07/2022

Brief description

Annual joint meeting to enhance cooperation and coordination between the Regional Centres under the Basel and Stockholm Conventions, November 7th – 9th, 2022, Geneva, Switzerland (Gabriela Medina and Natalia Maciel participation).

Basel

Rotterdam

* **Stockholm** *

* **Minamata** *

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Online Seminar on Persistent Organic Pollutants

Relevant date

10/28/2021

Brief description

Gabriela Medina participation as lecturer at the 3rd International Online Seminar on Persistent Organic Pollutants: Environmentally sound management of materials and waste, under the framework of: Project 98842 "Reduction of unintentional POP and mercury releases from hospital waste management, WEEE, metal scrap processing and biomass burning", organized by the Government of Colombia, Ministry of Environment, October 28th and December 2nd, 2021.

Basel

Rotterdam

* **Stockholm** *

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

The Multilateral Agreements on the Environment of the cluster of Chemicals and Waste and WEEE

Relevant date

08/05/2021

Brief description

Gabriela Medina participation as lecturer at the POP Project on WEEE, under the framework of: "Strengthening of

National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Peru”, organized by the Government of Peru, Ministry of Environment, August 5th, 2021. Name of the presentation: "The Multilateral Agreements on the Environment of the cluster of Chemicals and Waste and WEEE".

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Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Chemicals in Plastics

Relevant date

09/10/2022

Brief description

Gabriela Medina participation as expert during the face to face meeting of the draft Technical Report on Chemicals in Plastics, September 5th and 6th, 2022 in Geneva, Switzerland.

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Stockholm

Minamata

SAICM

Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Chemical Leasing

Relevant date

09/15/2021

Brief description

The BCCC-SCRC was contacted by ISC3 from Germany in order to introduce the topic Chemical Leasing in Uruguay, after several meetings online, Uruguay finally is Party of the Joint Declaration of Intent on Chemical Leasing together with UNIDO, the Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management, the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety and the Swiss Federal Office for the Environment. The ceremony for Parties was held September Wednesday 15th, 2021 introducing Uruguay as a new member. In April 27th and 28th, 2022, the BCCC-SCRC organize an online webinar on this issue at national level (Uruguay) with the participation of ISC3 introducing the topic to Uruguayan stakeholders.

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Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Marine Litter and Microplastics in LAC

Relevant date

8/25/2021

Brief description

Within the framework of the 22 Meeting of the Ministers of the Environment Forum of GRULAC, Barbados, February 2021, the members adopted Decision 1 on pollution inviting the Secretariat (UNEP/ROLAC) to facilitate the establishment of a working mechanism to promote regional cooperation and coordination, including the information exchange, capacity building, awareness raising and multi-stakeholder participation.

A Working Group on Marine Litter and Microplastics in LAC has been established in August 2021, Panama and Uruguay (Gabriela Medina) are the group Co-chairs. Activities: -Monthly meetings (online) of Focal Points of the Working Group on Marine Litter and Microplastics in LAC. -A Regional survey results on financial and technical mechanisms available in LAC to address marine litter and microplastics, main barriers and opportunities and recommendations. -Report on the existing financial and technical mechanisms to address marine litter and microplastics in the LAC region.

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Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Proposals for pilot projects PWP

Relevant date

4/11/2022

Brief description

Second call for proposals for pilot projects in the framework of the Plastic Waste Partnership of Basel Convention, the BCCC-SCRC has presented four projects:

- 1- Strengthening the environmentally sound management of plastic waste in Ecuador within the framework of the implementation of the Basel Convention amendments (Ecuador).
- 2- Towards responsible plastic use and waste in schools around Coastal Lagoons in Uruguay (Uruguay).
- 3- National project to promote the minimization of plastic waste in Peru and ensure its environmentally sound management in compliance with the Basel Convention (Peru).
- 4- Regional Project for the development and comparative analysis of tools for the Sound Management of Plastic (Costa Rica, Honduras and Paraguay).

At a time without answer.

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Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Meeting with CSIRO

Relevant date

8/12/2022

Brief description

BCCC-SCRC and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) from Australia had an online meeting for possible cooperation on chemical management, August 12th, 2022. The BCCC-SCRC is working in possible cooperations.

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Other, please specify
Name of the activity
WEEE in Ecuador

Relevant date
12/8/2022

Brief description
The Government of Ecuador has required to UNIDO that the BCCC-SCRC be the Executing Agency in the project: “Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Ecuador”. The contract between the BCCC-SCRC and UNIDO is being processing.

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Other, please specify
Name of the activity
POPs and mercury-free solutions in Paraguay

Relevant date
9/21/2022

Brief description
POPs and mercury-free solutions for environmentally sound waste management in Paraguay – GEF ID 10682/UNIDO 200228 has been approved by GEF during 2022 and the contract between BCCC-SCRC and UNIDO is being processing.

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Other, please specify
Name of the activity
Marine Litter webinar series

Relevant date
8/12/2021

Brief description
Participation and diffusion of the Marine Litter webinar series: legal tools to face the crisis, aimed to promote the implementation of national and regional regulations, public policies and programs to face the challenge of marine litter in the Latin American and Caribbean region, organized by UNEP/ROLAC.
1-Addressing Marine Litter: Global and Regional Impacts, 08/12/2021.
2-Model law for the prevention and reduction of marine litter, 08/19/2021.
3-Addressing marine litter in the Caribbean: global and regional impacts, 09/09/2021.
4-Marine litter in national laws and regulations. Cases of Brazil, Colombia and Mexico, 09/21/2021.
5-Marine litter and plastic pollution in Latin America and the Caribbean: working for a common goal, 10/15/2021.
6-Addressing marine litter in the Caribbean, 10/21/2021.
7-Rethinking the governance of coastal and marine resources in Latin America and the Caribbean, 11/30/2021.

8-Marine Litter, Plastic Pollution, and Environmental Justice, 12/15/ 2021.

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Other, please specify

Name of the activity

Mercury Trade in Latin America

Relevant date

12/21/2022

Brief description

The GEF ID 11047 project “Accelerate compliance with the Minamata Convention by improving the understanding and control of the mercury trade in Latin America” obtained approval from the GEF Council in December 2022.

The PPG (Project Preparation Grant) phase has begun, Full-Size Project, UNEP implementing agency, BCCC-SCRC executing agency.

The BCCC-SCRC has been supporting the countries and UNEP in all stages prior to the presentation to the GEF, request for basic information from the countries, letters of endorsement and financing of the project.

Countries involved: Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Honduras, Mexico and Peru

REPORTING BY REGIONAL CENTRES

* [Basel/Stockholm Convention Coordinating/Regional Centre for LAC Region in Uruguay \(BCCC/SCRC Uruguay\)](#) *

Name of the person submitting the report

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Respondent email

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Date of submission:

01/20/2023

Reporting period from:

1/1/2021

Reporting period to:

12/31/2022

1. Please provide a list of activities implemented

Activity 31 Name:

Voluntary Coalition for the progressive closure of dumpsites in Latin America and the Caribbean

Activity 32 Name:

GMP 2 GRULAC

Activity 33 Name:

“Enabling activities to review and update the National Implementation Plan for the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in the Republic of Ecuador”

Activity 34 Name:

Development of National Action Plan for the Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining in Costa Rica

Activity 35 Name:

WEEE regional Project “Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Latin American Countries”

Activity 36 Name:

WEEE regional Project “Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Costa Rica”

Activity 37 Name:

WEEE regional Project “Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Peru”

Activity 38 Name:

WEEE regional Project “Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Uruguay”

Activity 39 Name:

WEEE regional Project “Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Venezuela”

Activity 40 Name:

Third GMP Report on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in the Latin American and Caribbean Region (GRULAC)

Activity 41 Name:

Logistic support for experts and PREAL members’ participation at E-waste Academy for Scientist (EWAS) 2022, Limerick, Ireland, organized by United Nations University (UNU) and UNIDO, August 27th to September 4th, 2022

Activity 42 - Name

Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) 2020-2021

2. Part II

Activity 31

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: Voluntary Coalition for the Progressive Closure of
Dumpsites in Latin America and the Caribbean

Activity information

Project number Not Applicable _____
Project duration (in month) 24 _____
Start date 01/01/2021 _____
End date 12/31/2022 _____
Planned start date 09/10/2019 _____
Planned end date 12/31/2022 _____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)
Stockholm Convention (SC)
Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-
SC)
Other : (Please specify) _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Antigua and Barbuda
Argentina
Bahamas
Barbados
Belize
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
Brazil
Chile
Colombia
Costa Rica
Cuba
Dominica
Dominican Republic
Ecuador
El Salvador
Grenada
Guatemala
Guyana
Haiti
Honduras
Jamaica
Mexico

Nicaragua	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Panama	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Paraguay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Peru	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Saint Kitts and Nevis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Saint Lucia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Suriname	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trinidad and Tobago	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Uruguay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 33_____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

English	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Spanish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Means of verification for language(s)

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/en/constitutive-meeting-of-the-coalition-for-the-progressive-closure-of-dumpsites-in-latin-america-and-the-caribbean/>
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/reunion-para-cierre-progresivo-de-los-basurales-en-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>
 Meetings' reports.

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 10000_____

Funding source(s):

Donor name Uruguay _____

Amount in USD 10000_____

Means of verification Gabriela Medina (as part of the Steering Committee) and BCCC-SCRC staff (as part of the Focal Points) participation in all activities involved.

Collaborating agencie(s):

Organization name UNEP ROLAC_____

Country United Nations Panama _____

Means of verification <https://www.unep.org/es/events/evento-de-onu-medio-ambiente/xxii-foro-de-ministros-de-medio-ambiente-de->

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<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/en/constitutive-meeting-of-the-coalition-for-the-progressive-closure-of-dumpsites-in-latin-america-and-the-caribbean/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/reunion-para-cierre-progresivo-de-los-basurales-en-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>
Meetings' reports.

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The Coalition was established as a follow-up to Decision 1 on Chemicals, marine litter and waste management, which was adopted at the XX Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean (Buenos Aires, 9th – 12th October 2018), where the countries of the region agreed to make the necessary efforts to strengthen the integrated solid waste management, developing the necessary policies and strategies to phase-out the unsound waste management practices, including dumpsites and open burning.

Objectives of the Coalition

1. Develop a roadmap for the progressive closure of landfills and the effective transition to integrated waste management in Latin America and the Caribbean.
2. Promote the development, adaptation and dissemination of guidelines, including technical, social, environmental and economic aspects, considering existing work and in coordination with other initiatives.
3. Facilitate the strengthening of capacities and exchange of information, experiences and good practices about policies, instruments, related projects and funding opportunities.
4. Promote awareness rising on the importance of the sound management of waste at all stages of their life cycle and the consequence of their inadequate management.

Activities:

- Revision of all documents emerged of the Constitutive Meeting with the intersessional working group.
- Participation in the Fourth Meeting of Focal Points of the Coalition for the Progressive Closure of Dumpsites in LAC, June 9th, 2021. The Centre provided support to this meeting with the virtual platform and moderation of the participants.
- Participation in the launch of the roadmap for the closure of landfills in Latin America and the Caribbean, June 25th, 2021.
- Participation in the Fifth Meeting of Focal Points of the Coalition for the Progressive Closure of Dumpsites in LAC, December 9th, 2021. The Centre provided support to this meeting with the virtual platform and moderation of the participants.
- Revision of the Progress report for the year 2021.
- Participation in the Online Webinar Practical experiences for the closure of landfills in the Latin American and Caribbean region (May 31st, 2022)
- Establishment of the Working Groups of the Coalition for the closure of Dumpsites, 15 and 16 June 2022.

In the framework of the activities foreseen in the Work Plan of the Coalition and as agreed at the last focal point meeting held on 9 December 2021, two working groups were defined. The focal points were invited to indicate in which of the working groups would be interested in participating.

A work proposal for the Coalition's Subcommittees was developed with the aimed at guiding the work of the groups, expected outcomes and documents/products for this year, and promoting discussion.

Subcommittee 1 on the development, adaptation and dissemination of the guidelines.

Subcommittee 2 on capacity building, information exchange and awareness rising.

- Participation in the Sixth Meeting of Focal Points of the Coalition for the Progressive Closure of Dumpsites in LAC, September 14th, 2022. The Centre provided support to this meeting with the virtual platform and moderation of the participants.

- Participation in the Seventh Meeting of Focal Points of the Coalition for the Progressive Closure of Dumpsites in LAC, December 13th, 2022.

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes

No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
- B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
- C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
- D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
- E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
- F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

Yes

No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;
- SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;
- SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:
- SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;
- SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;
- SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;
- SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;
- SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;
- SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;

SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.	<input type="checkbox"/>
BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes	<input type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.	<input type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.	<input type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.	<input type="checkbox"/>
BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.	<input type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention.

BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate.

BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment

BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.

BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.
(Please be informed that ONE example for each item is enough. No need to repeat this part for the subsequent activities. Make sure that you select the best example which establishes that your centre demonstrates the capacity in those items. After selecting one best example you can skip by selecting No for other activities.)

Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes
No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes
No

Activity 32

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: GMP 2 GRULAC_____

Activity information

Project number GEF Project ID 4881. BCCC-SCRC Number: 701164
Project duration (in month) 24_____
Start date 01/01/2021_____
End date 12/31/2022_____
Planned start date 6/2/2015_____
Planned end date 6/30/2023_____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

- Basel Convention (BC)
- Stockholm Convention (SC)
- Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)
- Other : (Please specify) _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

- Antigua and Barbuda
- Argentina
- Barbados
- Brazil
- Chile
- Colombia
- Ecuador
- Jamaica
- Mexico
- Peru
- Uruguay

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 11 _____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

- English
- Spanish
- Other : (Please specify) _____

Means of verification for language(s)

SOP, video, reports.
The documents are in the following link:
<http://www.ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/es/estocolmo/proyectos/proyecto-gmp/>

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 85725 _____

Funding source(s):

Donor name GEF _____
Amount in USD 85725 _____
Means of verification Signed Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) ____

Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name UNEP _____
Country France _____
Means of verification Signed Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) and
amendments.
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/gmp/gmp-fase-ii/>

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

Total project budget (in USD) is 3.636.000 total, for this two years 2021 and 2022 the budget is 85.725.

The main objective of the project is 'To strengthen the capacity for implementation of the updated POPs Global Monitoring Plan (GMP) and to create the conditions for sustainable monitoring of POPs in the Latin American and Caribbean Region'.

Article 16 of the Stockholm Convention includes a Global Monitoring Plan (GMP), effectiveness evaluation, which is to be conducted on a periodic basis, which monitors the presence of POPs in the environment and in humans, with the objective of assessing POPs regional and global transport.

GMP Phase II includes the analysis of POPs in Breast Milk, air (passive and active sampling) and water, and in national samples (each country should chose samples of interest to POPs analysis, like fish, eggs, sediments, cow milk, etc.).

Activities developed during 2021 - 2022:

SIGNED AGREEMENTS

As project has being extended until June 2023, BCCC-SCRC has made amendment to agreements with countries for extend the execution period.

- AIR MONITORING

Peru has installed the Passive Air Sampling (PAS) on May 2018. The BCCC-SCRC coordinated with Direccion General de Salud Ambiental (DIGESA) the PAS setting up and made the payments for the PAS mounting structure. In October 2021 DIGESA sent their PUFs to the reference laboratories

- NATIONAL SAMPLES

The countries have started the sampling of their national samples; Antigua& Barbuda, Argentina, Barbados, Brazil, Colombia, Jamaica and Uruguay have sent them to the reference laboratories. In June 2021 Ecuador sent the national samples to the reference laboratory in Örebro.

The reference laboratory delivered the results of POPs in national samples to the countries, November 2021.

- GLOBAL INTERLABORATORY ASSESSMENT

The Final Workshop for the Fourth Round Biennial Interlaboratory Assessment of Persistent Organic Pollutants, final result workshop was held online at 21st – 22nd, July 2021.

- TRAININGS

The analytical trainings made by CSIC have been developed in:

Country Date

Chile January 4 -15, 2021 (online)

Ecuador January 18-29, 2021 (online)

During 2021-2022 the BCCC-SCRC developed activity reports, PIR and financial reports, also it has reviewed next step with the Project' steering committee and the forecast.

As most of field activities including sampling and analysis have been completed before the COVID-19, desk studies, namely data processing and reporting have been undertaken during the hard impact from COVID-19. An additional extension period has being necessary for the completion of the remaining activities. This extension will allow finalization of analytical work in expert and national labs, completion of national, regional and sectoral reports, development of a roadmap for the sustainable monitoring of POPs, as well as completion of additional activities that countries proposed to use the POPs monitoring results, as example to inform national decision makers. The project has been extended until June 2023, BCCC-SCRC has made amendments to agreements with countries to extend the execution period to December 2022 for nationals activities.

A project final meeting is expected to take place probably in Q1/Q2 2023.

The BCCC-SCRC has reviewed the materials made by experts as training videos and guidelines to strengthen the POPs national capacity. The BCCC-SCRC has hired the CSIC (Spain) to develop 4 graphic documents (in video format) that describe the standardized processing for the analysis of POPs (one video per each of the following POPs: Dioxins, OCPs, PBDEs and PCBs). The documents will be available in Spanish, English and French. (*)}

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In order to support the technicians in charge of preparing the final reports of the project, which include the discussion of analytical results obtained in the different countries, a training course has been prepared on the interpretation and

handling of POPs data in different matrices. The training was via Zoom in Spanish 3rd -12th August 2021 and in English the days: August 31st, September 2nd, 7th, 9th, 14th and 16th, 2021.

Also, to strengthen the national capacity, the BCCC-SCRC hired a consultant to develop a POPs Data Handling Guidance which intends to provide additional assistance to the GRULAC countries in the processing, interpretation, and presentation of their own data using basic excel tools. The procedure for data handling is mainly based on the directions established by the GMP Guidance and uses the GMP DWH tools as support. The objectives of this document, the training course and tutorials are to support building capacity on handling and interpretation of data on levels of POPs in national circumstances, to facilitate the use of POPs monitoring results for the preparation of the final project report of the GMP II project.

The regional draft report was prepared and distributed to the GRULAC countries to check and complete the missing data. Argentina, Barbados, Chile, Colombia and Mexico sent the national report to BCCC-SCRC and UNEP.

The BCCC-SCRC reviewed the materials developed by the GMP communication campaign.

The BCCC-SCRC has presented GMP II outcomes and has participated in the national closing workshop of the project "Support for the implementation of the POPs global surveillance plan in the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean - Colombia" that took place October 26th to 28th, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (GMT-5) virtually.

The BCCC-SCRC has participated in the national project closure workshop in Mexico: "Results of POPs monitoring in Mexico" April 22nd and 23rd, 2021, virtually.

The BCCC-SCRC is the executing agency of the following countries: Ecuador, Peru and Uruguay.

ECUADOR

N° 701179

The BCCC-SCRC has cooperated in the organization of national activities. The BCCC-SCRC team hired the national coordinator, drafting terms of reference, requested price, reviewed applications, selected the most qualified and cheap equipment, and bought the laboratories consumables.

The BCCC-SCRC collaborated in the organization of the online analytical training carried out by the CSIC.

Most of the planned activities have been completed. Some delays occurred due to COVID-19. The BCCC-SRC is in close contact with the countries to compensate the time loss.

PERU

N° 701189

The BCCC-SCRC has cooperated in the organization of national activities. The BCCC-SCRC team hired the national coordinator, drafting terms of reference, requested price, reviewed applications, selected the most qualified and cheap equipment, and bought the laboratories consumables.

The BCCC-SCRC collaborated in the organization of the online analytical training carried out by the CSIC.

Most of the planned activities have been completed. Some delays occurred due to COVID-19. The BCCC-SRC is in

close contact with the countries to compensate the time loss.

URUGUAY
N°701178

The BCCC-SCRC has cooperated in the organization of national activities. The BCCC-SCRC team hired the laboratory technical assistant, drafting terms of reference, requested price, reviewed applications, selected the most qualified and cheap equipment, and bought the laboratories consumables.

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes
No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

Yes
No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;
SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;
SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:
SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;
SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;
SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;
SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;
SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;
SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;
SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;
SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;
SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:

- SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;
- SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;
- SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;
- SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;
- SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;
- SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;
- SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;
- SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;
- SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.

(Please be informed that ONE example for each item is enough. No need to repeat this part for the subsequent activities. Make sure that you select the best example which establishes that your centre demonstrates the capacity in those items. After selecting one best example you can skip by selecting No for other activities.)

Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

- Yes
- No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

- Yes
- No

Activity 33

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: "Enabling activities to review and update the National Implementation Plan for the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in the Republic of Ecuador"

Activity information

Project number SAP ID: 120077 and GEF ID: 5180
N° contract UNIDO-LATU 3000095936
BCCC-SCRC Number: 701912

Project duration (in month) 12 _____

Start date 12/07/2021 _____

End date 12/31/2022 _____

Planned start date 12/07/2021 _____

Planned end date 01/31/2023 _____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify) _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Ecuador

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 1 _____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

English

French

Russian

Spanish

Other : (Please specify) _____

Means of verification for language(s)

Meeting documents, reports.
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/llamado-a-empresa-consultora-pna-ecuador/>

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 120000 _____

Funding source(s):

Donor name GEF _____
 Amount in USD 120000 _____
 Means of verification Signed Agreement with UNIDO and with Ecuador
 Government, Amendments, payment
 voucher. _____

Collaborating agency(s):

Organization name UNIDO _____
 Country Austria _____
 Means of verification Signed Agreement _____

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The Project “The GEF project “Enabling Activities to Review and Update the National Implementation Plan for the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in Ecuador” has the Organization of United Nations for Industrial Development (UNIDO) as the implementing agency of GEF’s funds and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre, Stockholm Convention Regional Centre, for Latin America and the Caribbean (BCCC-SCRC) hosted by the Laboratorio Tecnológico del Uruguay (LATU) as managing entity of the project’s funds. In December 2021, UNIDO signed the contract with BCCC-SCRC- LATU. The activities started on March. 2022, after the Memorandum of Understanding between the BCCC-SCRC-LATU and MAATE was signed.

The general objective of the Project was to Review and Update the National Implementation Plan for the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in Ecuador.

For the development of the activities, the BCCC-SCRC prepared the terms of reference and hired national consultants with proven experience in POPs inventory. The process of selection was in March 2022. The BCCC-SCRC hired the consultant team on 28 April 2022.

The launch workshop was held May 18th, 2022, with all stakeholders participation.

As a result of this project, Ecuador’s NIP has been reviewed and updated.

The BCCC-SCRC hired expert consultant team to review the work developed by the consultants on November 10th, 2022. The final workshop is planned for January 12th, 2023. Financial and Technical Reports were prepared by the BCCC-SCRC and sent to UNIDO.

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes
 No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
- B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
- C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
- D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
- E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
- F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

- Yes
- No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;
- SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;
- SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:
- SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;
- SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;
- SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;
- SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;
- SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;
- SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;
- SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;
- SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:
- SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;
- SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;
- SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;
- SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;
- SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;
- SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are

available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;

SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.

(Please be informed that ONE example for each item is enough. No need to repeat this part for the subsequent activities. Make sure that you select the best example which establishes that your centre demonstrates the capacity in those items. After selecting one best example you can skip by selecting No for other activities.)

Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes
No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes
No

Activity 34

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: Development of National Action Plan for the Artisanal and Small Scale Gold Mining in Costa Rica

Activity information

Project number PCA/NAP-Costa Rica/2020/Mar/Economy Division
GEF ID: 10423
BCCC-SCRC Number: 701900

Project duration (in month) 24 _____

Start date 01/01/2021 _____

End date 12/31/2022 _____

Planned start date 03/17/2020 _____

Planned end date 04/30/2023 _____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)
Stockholm Convention (SC)
Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)
Other : (Please specify) __Minamata Convention_____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

Costa Rica

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 1

Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

English

French

Russian

Spanish

Other : (Please specify) _____

Means of verification for language(s)

Meeting documents, reports, signed PCA and amendments (UNEP-BCCC-SCRC)
<http://www.digeca.go.cr/noticias/paises-latinoamericanos-se-reunen-para-discutir-retos-de-la-mineria-artesanal-y-en-pequena>
<https://www.unep.org/globalmercurypartnership/news/story/costa-rica-adds-mercury-and-artisanal-gold-mining-its-environmental-priorities>

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 289052

Funding source(s):

Donor name GEF

Amount in USD 289052

Means of verification Signed Agreement UNEP – BCCC-SCRC and Costa Rica Government – BCCC-SCRC, Amendments, budget review

Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name UNEP

Country Switzerland

Means of verification Signed Agreement (PCA, UNEP – BCCC-SCRC)

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

Total project budget (in USD) is 435000, for these two years 2021 and 2021 the budget is 289052.

The main objective of the project is to assist Costa Rica in the development of its National Action Plan for the Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining (ASGM) sector, raise national awareness on the Minamata Convention and build initial capacity for the early implementation of the National Action Plan.

The Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) between UNEP and the Basel Convention Coordinating Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre / LATU was signed on 17/03/2020. Pursuant to Clause 63 of the Project Cooperation Agreement SB-014646 of 17 March 2020 on execution of project, "Development of National Action Plan for Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining in Costa Rica", between UNEP and the Executing Agency, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement. In July, 2022 this agreement was amendment. The purpose of this Amendment is to update the project completion date to be in line with the revised work plan, at no additional cost. The agreement shall remain in force until 30 April 2023 (note project completion date was 30 October 2022).

The Steering Committee (SC) was established, and it is responsible for ensuring a national coordination mechanism for the development of the NAP through all its phases, adapting project planning and management throughout the process. The summary with the member's names, gender, roles and responsibilities of the National Coordination Mechanism was sent to UNEP. On May 8, 2022, the president and ministers changed in Costa Rica, some members of the SC changed, and its conformation was updated and sent to UNEP. The Steering Committee (SC) meets monthly the meeting minutes are reported to UNEP.

During the period July-December 2020

During the period July-December 2020 the work plan and budget was reviewed and adopted, the consultant team was conformed. The BCCC-SCRC with DIGECA team drafting all the consultant's terms of reference, published on the BCCC-SCRC webpage, reviewed applications, selected for an interview the most qualified professionals for the position and the professionals who obtained the highest score were hired. The following consultants were hired: the National Coordinator August 1st, 2020, Legal consulting team December 10th, 2020, socio-economic Consultancy December 11th, 2020; mining consulting team December 23rd, 2020.

During the period January-June 2021

In the first semester of 2021 two stages have been covered: i) launch and ii) collection of baseline information.

The launch workshop was held January 20th, 2021, with all stakeholders' participation. This workshop had to be postponed due to the pandemic situation during 2020. Several

meetings to present the NAP project and planned strategies have been done in the first semester of 2021.

The international consultant was hired and started his work on January 2021. All the consultants and personnel were training on February. As the training was carried out in less time than expected, it was agreed that the time of the international consultant would be allocated in order to give at the local team a return of the work carried out in the field (mining area); this meeting was held during the month of June 2021.

The baseline study considers the activities carried out by the consultants in their field visits to the Abangares area. The collection of baseline information refers to the methodologies used by each consulting group, and in accordance with the provisions of the work plan developed, where the actions carried out allowed obtaining the reports corresponding to the first deliverables.

The socio-economic and mining consultants in their field visits used methodologies of interviews and meetings with key actors at the ASGM sector.

The legal consultant used the methodology of interviews, carried out mostly through meetings on a virtual platform. During the field visits, the national coordinator of the project participated in several of the activities carried out by the socio-economic and mining consultants, this process allowed the maintenance of meetings with local actors.

The different consultancies advanced in the development of the established deliverables. The information gathering on field work was carried out in the months of March and April, 2021. The final versions of the deliverables have been sent to UNEP.

- Legal consulting products 2 and 3
- Socio-economic consulting products 2 and 3

Mining consulting product 2

To address health issues, an agreement was signed with the University of Costa Rica and the BCCC-SCRC where the University was in charge of leading the development of the public health strategy in the ASGM sector. Within the framework of the agreement, TOR was designed to hire an assistant with experience in environmental health. TOR was published, the evaluation and selection process were carried out during June 2021 and the selected consultant has started to work July 7th, 2021.

Meetings with stakeholders were held in June due to the baseline reports made by the consultants, and different scenarios were proposed to consider in order to start addressing the strategy.

During the period July-December 2021

For the second semester of 2021 the following activities have been done: delivery of baseline results and validation of strategies.

The international consultant has travelled to Costa Rica and has participated in the planned activities the reports of both activities were:

- Make a comprehensive review of the strategies proposed by the legal consulting groups, socioeconomic and mining in the framework of the project, in order to receive feedback among themselves and by the members of the Steering Committee and the international consultant.
- Mining training held in Abangares from November 26th to December 1st, 2021.
- December 3rd was held the workshop for strategies validation.

In June 2021, the Government of Costa Rica informed to the BCCC-SCRC to not renew the contract of the National Coordinator due to some non-conformities with his performance. The National Coordinator contract ended the 31st of July 2021. A new National Coordinator was selected based on the priority list carried out during the original National Coordinator interviews, ability to take the job at this time, no conflict of interest, approval by the Steering Committee, and acceptance of the salary proposal. The BCCC-SCRC hired Alejandra Fernandez to be the National Coordinator from August 2021 to present.

To address gender strategy, TOR was designed to hire consultancy team with experience in gender issues. TOR was published on October 1st, the evaluation and selection process were carried out during November and the selected consultancy team started to work on December 7th. The evaluation and selection process included two reviews of technical offers.

The BCCC-SCRC has amendment the agreements with the different consultancies to extend the deadline and in the case of legal consulting to add an extra product. The different consultancies advanced in the development of the established deliverables:

- Socio-economic consulting products 4, 5, 6 and 7.
- Mining consulting products 3 and 4.
- Legal consulting products 4, 5 and 8.

During the period January-June 2022

The project's Steering Committee (SC) met monthly. Regarding the communication strategy of the project, a graphic designer was hired to develop several posters and videos.

On February, BCCC-SCRC signed an agreement with the National University to carries out an Environmental Assessment to assess the degree of contamination and exposure to mercury. The University has begun with sampling (April 20 and 21) and the installation of equipment for measuring mercury in the air.

The Gender consultancy team started to work on December 7th, 2021. On March 7, the dissolution of the contract is defined, given that they have repeatedly not complied with the agreed product delivery deadlines or with the scope requested for them.

The public health strategy validation workshop was held on April 15, the objectives set were met, and attendance was higher than expected.

The consultancy for the preparation of the good practice guide was hired April 1st.

The regulation to the Mining Code was published on April 19th at the National Press.

Legal consulting was hired on June 1st to develop a regulation regarding mercury.

To have a proposal for a demonstrative Pilot of retorts for Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining (MAPE), the BCCC-SCRC in coordination with the Directorate of Environmental Quality Management (DIGECA) of the Ministry of Environment and Energy (MINAE) of Costa Rica, made a request for prices to experts, to hire professionals on the subject. A technical-economic proposal was requested and given the conformity with what was presented by the CENTER FOR ELECTROCHEMISTRY AND CHEMICAL ENERGY - UNIVERSITY OF COSTA RICA (CELEQ), it was agreed to work with them starting in July.

Participation of MINAE technical team and a group of miners from Abangares in the Geology Congress (San Jose, Costa Rica, June 30th).

On June 22nd, the BCCC-SCRC sent to UNEP the Independent auditor's report (period April 2020- December 2021).

A review project document was sending and signed by UNEP, regarding the extension for six month (April 2023). The BCCC-SCRC worked on the work plan and budget review to formalize the request extension.

During the period July-December 2022

The project's Steering Committee (SC) met monthly.

The following activities have been planned/done to finalize the NAP process.

The DIGECA team carried out field work to test the prototype of the retorts in the Abangares area carried out on July 7th – 8th, 2022

The progress and financials reports were sent to UNEP on time.

On August, BCCC-SCRC signed an agreement with the AGQ laboratory to measure mercury and cyanide concentration in the mining zone.

In August 2022, the Government of Costa Rica informed to BCCC-SCRC to renew the contract of the National Coordinator at the end of the NAP project.

The consultancy for the preparation of the good practice guide was finished, the guides are in process of design.

Legal consultants have developed a regulation on mercury.

October 31st, the BCCC-SCRC hired a GEEO INN to generate georeferenced base and quantification cartography of illegal mining and tailings pools, using drones technology, to cover an area of 2612 hectares of land located in the sector of the Abangares protection zone in the Boston district of Abangares, Guanacaste.

The regional workshop on lessons learned was held November 8th to 10th, 2022, with all the stakeholders' participation. It was organized in two sessions: the first, in person in San José, Costa Rica with transmission via streaming through the TEAMS platform and through the DIGECA Facebook page, aimed at institutional actors that must implement the PNA-MAPE; the second, in person at Abangares, aimed at people involved in ASM in this community.

Lessons Learned Workshop on the development, implementation, and challenges of the National Action Plan for Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining (experiences from Costa Rica, Ecuador, Honduras, Mexico, Paraguay, and Peru were shared).

<http://www.digeca.go.cr/noticias/paises-latinoamericanos-se-reunen-para-discutir-retos-de-la-mineria-artesanal-y-en-pequena>

The NAP document was reviewed, a final quality check by an independent consultant was done.

The NAP was approved, translated, designed and printed (30 copies for institutions involved).

MIA has a great value for Basel Convention implementation in Cuba due the knowledge on mercury waste production, how these wastes are managed and stored.

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes
No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

Yes
No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes
BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes.
BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.
BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.
BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.
BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes
BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation.
BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.
BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.
BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention.

BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate.

BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment

BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.

BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.

(Please be informed that ONE example for each item is enough. No need to repeat this part for the subsequent activities. Make sure that you select the best example which establishes that your centre demonstrates the capacity in those items. After selecting one best example you can skip by selecting No for other activities.)

Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes
No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes
No

Activity 35

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: WEEE regional Project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Latin American Countries"

Activity information

Project number	UNIDO GEF ID: 5554 Contract Number: 3000066736 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701192
Project duration (in month)	24_____
Start date	01/01/2021_____
End date	12/31/2022_____
Planned start date	11/01/2014_____
Planned end date	12/31/2023_____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

- Basel Convention (BC)
- Stockholm Convention (SC)
- Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)
- Other : (Please specify) _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

- Argentina
- Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
- Chile
- Costa Rica
- Ecuador
- El Salvador
- Guatemala
- Honduras
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Peru
- Uruguay
- Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 13_____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

- Arabic
- Chinese
- English
- French
- Russian
- Spanish
- Other : (Please specify) _____

Means of verification for language(s)

e-mails, reports, workshop, proposal to UNIDO, signed contracts, meetings summaries.
<https://www.unido.org/ewastelac>
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/raee-weee/>

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 80499 _____

Funding source(s):

Donor name GEF _____

Amount in USD 80499 _____

Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails, budget reviews

Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name UNIDO _____

Country Austria _____

Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails, budget reviews

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The GEF/UNIDO project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Latin American Countries" involves the following 13 countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, El Salvador, Uruguay, and Venezuela. (GEF ID: 5554).

The project's general objective is to strengthen national initiatives and improve regional cooperation for the environmentally sound management of POPs in waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) in Latin American countries. The project includes the following four components:

1. Strengthening of national initiatives for waste management of electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE).
2. Strengthening of national capacities in facilities/infrastructure for the dismantling and recycling of WEEE.
3. Improvement of regional cooperation in the management of WEEE.
4. Monitoring and evaluation.

The BCCC-SCRC during 2021 and 2022 has participated in weekly meetings all Tuesday at 12.00 pm Uruguay time, supporting the regional coordination, these meetings started as a way of replacing the lack of travel due to the Covid pandemic.

At beginning the 2020 a regional meeting (workshop) was going to be held in Uruguay, so the BCCC-SCRC signed a contract with UNIDO to organize this meeting in Uruguay.

The BCCC-SCRC was in charge of: flight tickets for 3 participants of each member country, expert flight tickets, hotel, meeting rooms, audio, meals, DSA payment, etc. due to the pandemic situation, the meeting was postponed. In March of 2022 the meeting was going to be held in Uruguay as was postponed, so the BCCC-SCRC once again start to organize everything, finally due to lack of funds the workshop was cancelled definitively, but the Centre made all the activities that was planned in the contract with UNIDO.

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes

No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
- B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
- C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
- D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
- E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
- F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

Yes

No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;
- SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;
- SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:
- SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;
- SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;
- SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;
- SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;
- SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;
- SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;
- SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;
- SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:
- SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;
- SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;
- SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of

inventories;

SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants; []

SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes; []

SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; []

SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants; []

SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention; []

SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; []

SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; []

SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants. []

BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes []

BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. []

BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. []

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures. []

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention. []

BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes []

BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation. []

BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. []

BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes. []

BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention. []

BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate. []

BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment []

BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the []

Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.

BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international [] bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.

(Please be informed that ONE example for each item is enough. No need to repeat this part for the subsequent activities. Make sure that you select the best example which establishes that your centre demonstrates the capacity in those items. After selecting one best example you can skip by selecting No for other activities.)

Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes
No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes
No

Activity 36

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: WEEE regional Project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Costa Rica"

Activity information

Project number UNIDO GEF ID: 5554
Contract Number: 3000066770
BCCC-SCRC Number: 701190

Project duration (in month) 24 _____

Start date 01/01/2021 _____

End date 12/31/2022 _____

Planned start date 11/01/2014 _____

Planned end date 12/31/2023 _____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)
Stockholm Convention (SC)
Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)
Other : (Please specify) _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

Costa Rica

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 1_____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic

Chinese

English

French

Russian

Spanish

Other : (Please specify) _____

Means of verification for language(s)

e-mails, reports, workshop, proposal to UNIDO, signed contract, meetings summaries.
<https://www.unido.org/ewastelac>
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/raee-weee/>
<https://circuito-raee-1.my.canva.site/diciembre-2022-nota-1>

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 166693

Funding source(s):

Donor name GEF_____

Amount in USD 166693

Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails, budget reviews.

Collaborating agency(s):

Organization name UNIDO

Country Austria_____

Means of verification

Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails, budget reviews

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The GEF/UNIDO project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Latin American Countries" involves the following 13 countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, El Salvador, Uruguay, and Venezuela. (GEF ID: 5554).

The project's general objective is to strengthen national initiatives and improve regional cooperation for the environmentally sound management of POPs in waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) in Latin American countries. The project includes the following four components:

1. Strengthening of national initiatives for waste management of electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE).
2. Strengthening of national capacities in facilities/infrastructure for the dismantling and recycling of WEEE.
3. Improvement of regional cooperation in the management of WEEE.
4. Monitoring and evaluation.

In the case of Costa Rica, the BCCC-SCRC is the executing agency of this project, the total amount for Costa Rica in USD 515556.

During the period 2021-2022 the work plan and budget were reviewed and adopted, the consultant team was conformed. The BCCC-SCRC together with the Costa Rica Ministry of Health team (focal point of the project) and the project National coordinator drafting all the consultants' terms of reference, published all of them in the BCCC-SCRC webpage, reviewed applications, selected for an interview the most qualified professionals for the position and the professionals who obtained the highest score were hired. The following consultants were hired: communication consulting team June 3rd, 2021, the technical assistant June 20th, 2022, Legal consulting August 10th, 2022.

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/llamado-consultoria-para-disenar-un-plan-de-comunicacion-en-costa-rica/>
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/llamado-abierto-para-asistente-tecnico-en-costa-rica-proyecto-preal/>

The Costa Rica communication strategy was developed on 2021, in October 2022 a consultant team were hired to implement de communication strategy of the project.
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/llamado-abierto-para-empresa-de-comunicacion-en-costa-rica/>

The BCCC-SCRC has cooperated in the organization of workshops and national project activities. For these instances, the BCCC-SCRC hired the streaming services, catering and the rooms where the events took place.

The BCCC-SCRC with Ministry of Health team and the National coordinator drafting all the X-ray fluorescence spectrometers (XRF) terms of reference, requested price, reviewed applications, selected the most qualified and cheap equipment, and bought the XRF, this equipment allow to measure brominates compounds in e-waste plastic.

The project has defined places for people to take their WEEE and has developed a map of collection points for WEEE. <https://www.ministeriodosalud.go.cr/index.php/mapa-de-puntos-de-recoleccion-y-recepcion-de-residuos-de-aparatos-electricos-y-electronicos-raee>

The multi- stakeholder's workshop was held December 6th, 2022, Radisson, San Jose Costa Rica, the BCCC-SCRC organize it, hired all the services (meals, rooms, audio, etc.) and has participated in person (Virginia Santana). More than 135persons have participated of this workshop. <https://www.facebook.com/TanFacilComo/photos/a.1104163176311125/5893894114004650>

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes
No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

Yes
No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.	<input type="checkbox"/>
BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention.

BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate.

BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment

BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.

BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.

(Please be informed that ONE example for each item is enough. No need to repeat this part for the subsequent activities. Make sure that you select the best example which establishes that your centre demonstrates the capacity in those items. After selecting one best example you can skip by selecting No for other activities.)

Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes
No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes
No

Activity 37

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: WEEE regional Project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Peru" _____

Activity information

Project number UNIDO GEF ID: 5554
Contract Number: 3000066912
BCCC-SCRC Number:

Project duration (in month)	701191 _____ 24
Start date	01/01/2021 _____
End date	12/31/2022
Planned start date	11/01/2014 _____
Planned end date	12/31/2023 _____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)	<input type="radio"/>
Stockholm Convention (SC)	<input type="radio"/>
Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other : (Please specify)	<input type="radio"/> _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries	<input type="checkbox"/>
Peru	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies)	_1_____
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Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/>
English	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
French	<input type="checkbox"/>
Russian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spanish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other : (Please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

Means of verification for language(s)

e-mails, reports, workshop, proposal to UNIDO, signed contract, meetings summaries.
<https://www.unido.org/ewastelac>
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/raee-weee/>

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD)	93992
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Funding source(s):

Donor name GEF _____
Amount in USD 93992
Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails,
budget reviews.

Collaborating agency(s):

Organization name UNIDO
Country Austria
Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails,
budget reviews.

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The GEF/UNIDO project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Latin American Countries" involves the following 13 countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, El Salvador, Uruguay, and Venezuela. (GEF ID: 5554).

The project's general objective is to strengthen national initiatives and improve regional cooperation for the environmentally sound management of POPs in waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) in Latin American countries. The project includes the following four components:

1. Strengthening of national initiatives for waste management of electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE).
2. Strengthening of national capacities in facilities/infrastructure for the dismantling and recycling of WEEE.
3. Improvement of regional cooperation in the management of WEEE.
4. Monitoring and evaluation.

In the case of Peru, the BCCC-SCRC is the executing agency of this project, the total amount for Peru in USD is 515556.

The BCCC-SCRC cooperate in the organization of workshops and project national activities. For these instances the BCCC-SCRC team hired the streaming services, catering,

and rooms where the events took place. Also, the BCCC-SCRC team has coordinated travels and assistance to hold workshop in other places, for example Arequipa, Perú.

During the period 2021-2022 the work plan and budget were reviewed and adopted, the Peru consultant team was conformed. The BCCC-SCRC with Peru Environmental Ministry team and the Project National coordinator drafting all the consultant's terms of reference, published on the BCCC-SCRC webpage, reviewed applications, selected for an interview the most qualified professionals for the position and the professionals who obtained the highest score were hired. The following consultants were hired: technical advisor to develop an information system October 2020-September 2021, technical advisor to prepare a Technical Guide for the management and handling of WEEE December 2021, technical assistant May 2022.

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/llamado-abierto-asistente-tecnico-en-peru-proyecto-preal/>

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes
No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

Yes
No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;
SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;
SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:
SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;
SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;
SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;
SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;
SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;	[]
SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;	[]
SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;	[]
SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;	[]
SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;	[]
SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;	[]
SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.	[]
BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention.

BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate.

BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment

BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.

BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.

(Please be informed that ONE example for each item is enough. No need to repeat this part for the subsequent activities. Make sure that you select the best example which establishes that your centre demonstrates the capacity in those items. After selecting one best example you can skip by selecting No for other activities.)

Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes
No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes
No

Activity 38

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: WEEE regional Project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Uruguay"

Activity information

Project number UNIDO GEF ID: 5554
Contract Number: 3000066736
BCCC-SCRC Number: 701192

Project duration (in month) 24

Start date 01/01/2021
End date 12/31/2022
Planned start date 11/01/2014
Planned end date 12/31/2023

To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)
Stockholm Convention (SC)
Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)
Other : (Please specify)

Beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries
Uruguay

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) _____ 1 _____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic
Chinese
English
French
Russian
Spanish
Other : (Please specify)

Means of verification for language(s)

e-mails, reports, workshop, proposal to UNIDO, signed contract, meetings summaries.
<https://www.unido.org/ewastelac>
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/raee-weee/>

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 120418

Funding source(s):

Donor name GEF _____
Amount in USD 120418

Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails,
budget reviews.

Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name UNIDO

Country Austria _____

Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails,
budget reviews.

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The GEF/UNIDO project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Latin American Countries" involves the following 13 countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, El Salvador, Uruguay, and Venezuela. (GEF ID: 5554).

The project's general objective is to strengthen national initiatives and improve regional cooperation for the environmentally sound management of POPs in waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) in Latin American countries. The project includes the following four components:

1. Strengthening of national initiatives for waste management of electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE).
2. Strengthening of national capacities in facilities/infrastructure for the dismantling and recycling of WEEE.
3. Improvement of regional cooperation in the management of WEEE.
4. Monitoring and evaluation.

In Uruguay the PREAL Project is coordinated by the Ministry of Environment. The Basel Convention Coordinating Centre, Stockholm Convention Regional Centre, performs the funds administration, the total amount for Uruguay in USD is 515556.

During 2021-2022:
- A technical proposal has been developed to regulate the

environmentally sound management of WEEE in Uruguay, currently under study in Parliament. This proposal includes recovery goals.

- A working group has been created with actors from the public, private, academic and civil society sectors that participated in the preparation of the technical proposal.
 - The participating actors received knowledge related to REP, regulations, goals, and environmental quality requirements.
 - On November-December 2022, the BCCC-SCRC with Environmental Ministry team drafting the consultants' terms of reference for the implementation of information and awareness mechanisms that supports the implementation of WEEE management systems, the TORs were published on the BCCC-SCRC webpage, reviewed applications, selected for an interview the most qualified professionals for the position and the professionals who obtained the highest score were hired as communication consultant.
 - <http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/llamado-abierto-para-el-puesto-de-especialista-en-comunicacion-uruguay/>
 - The BCCC-SCRC cooperates in the organization of workshops and project national activities.
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Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes

No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| A. Training activities that impart hands on skills | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

Yes

No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention; | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention; | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification; | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification; | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing; | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement; | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants; | <input type="checkbox"/> |

SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;	<input type="checkbox"/>
SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.	<input type="checkbox"/>
BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate.

BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment

BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.

BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.

(Please be informed that ONE example for each item is enough. No need to repeat this part for the subsequent activities. Make sure that you select the best example which establishes that your centre demonstrates the capacity in those items. After selecting one best example you can skip by selecting No for other activities.)

Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes
No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes
No

Activity 39

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: WEEE regional Project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Venezuela"

Activity information

Project number	UNIDO GEF ID: 5554 Contract Number: 3000066891 BCCC-SCRC Number: 701193
Project duration (in month)	24
Start date	01/01/2021
End date	12/31/2022
Planned start date	11/01/2014
Planned end date	12/31/2023

To which convention this activity is reported for?

- Basel Convention (BC)
- Stockholm Convention (SC)
- Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)
- Other : (Please specify) _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

- Global benefit not limited to countries
- Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 1 _____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

- Arabic
- Chinese
- English
- French
- Russian
- Spanish
- Other : (Please specify) _____

Means of verification for language(s)

e-mails, reports, workshop, proposal to UNIDO, signed contract, meetings summaries.
<https://www.unido.org/ewastelac>
<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/raee-weee/>

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 88508 _____

Funding source(s):

Donor name GEF _____

Amount in USD 88508 _____

Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails, budget reviews.

Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name	UNIDO_____
Country	Austria_____
Means of verification	Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails, budget reviews.

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The GEF/UNIDO project "Strengthening of National Initiatives and Enhancement of Regional Cooperation for the Environmentally Sound Management of POPs in Waste of Electronic or Electrical Equipment (WEEE) in Latin American Countries" involves the following 13 countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, El Salvador, Uruguay, and Venezuela. (GEF ID: 5554).

The project's general objective is to strengthen national initiatives and improve regional cooperation for the environmentally sound management of POPs in waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) in Latin American countries. The project includes the following four components:

1. Strengthening of national initiatives for waste management of electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE).
2. Strengthening of national capacities in facilities/infrastructure for the dismantling and recycling of WEEE.
3. Improvement of regional cooperation in the management of WEEE.
4. Monitoring and evaluation.

In Venezuela the PREAL Project is coordinated by the Ministerio del Poder Popular para el Ecosocialismo (MINEC). The Basel Convention Coordinating Centre, Stockholm Convention Regional Centre, performs the funds administration, the total amount for Venezuela in USD is 725409.

The BCCC-SCRC has cooperated in the organization of workshops and project national activities. For these instances, the BCCC-SCRC team hired the catering services and the rooms where the events took place.

The BCCC-SCRC with Environmental Ministry team drafting the entire consultant's terms of reference, published on the BCCC-SCRC webpage, reviewed applications, selected for an interview the most qualified professionals for the position and the professionals who obtained the highest score were hired.

Actually the Country is studying the acquisition of an XRF equipment to analyze brominates in e-waste plastic for classification on hazardous or not. The equipment will be buying by the BCCC-SCRC.

Venezuela is working in WEEE awareness raising campaign and strategies.

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes

No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
- B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
- C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
- D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
- E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
- F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

Yes

No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;
- SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;
- SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:
 - SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;
 - SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;
 - SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;
 - SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;
 - SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;
 - SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;
 - SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;
 - SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;
- SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:
 - SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;
 - SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;
- SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;
- SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;
- SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;
- SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;

- SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;
- SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;
- SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants.
- BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes
- BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes.
- BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.
- BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures.
- BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required under Article 13 of the Convention.
- BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes
- BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and to promote its implementation in national legislation.
- BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.
- BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.
- BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the Convention.
- BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes as a resource, where appropriate.
- BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the environment
- BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.
- BC-Objective-3.2: To promote cooperation with national, regional and international bodies, in particular cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.

(Please be informed that ONE example for each item is enough. No need to repeat this part for the subsequent activities. Make sure that you select the best example which establishes that your centre demonstrates the capacity in those items. After selecting one best example you can skip by selecting No for other activities.)

Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

- Yes
- No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes
No

Activity 40

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: Third GMP Report on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in the Latin American and Caribbean Region (GRULAC)

Activity information

Project number BRS-SSC-SSFA-2001
SB-005543.30.03.05
POW Activity N° for 2018-2019 and 2020-2021:23
BCCC-SCRC Number: 701197

Project duration (in month) 14 _____

Start date 01/28/2020 _____

End date 03/15/2021 _____

Planned start date 01/28/2020 _____

Planned end date 03/15/2021 _____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)
Stockholm Convention (SC)
Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)
Other : (Please specify) _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

Antigua and Barbuda
Argentina
Bahamas
Barbados
Belize
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
Brazil
Chile
Colombia
Costa Rica
Cuba
Dominica

Dominican Republic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ecuador	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
El Salvador	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Grenada	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Guatemala	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Guyana	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Haiti	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Honduras	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jamaica	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mexico	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nicaragua	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Panama	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Paraguay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Peru	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Saint Kitts and Nevis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Saint Lucia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Suriname	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trinidad and Tobago	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Uruguay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 33_____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/>
English	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
French	<input type="checkbox"/>
Russian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spanish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other : (Please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

Means of verification for language(s)

Signed SSFA between the Secretariat of the Stockholm Convention and BCCC-SCRC, e-mails, final reports
<http://chm.pops.int/implementation/globalmonitoringplan/monitoringreports/tabid/525/default.aspx>

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 40000_____

Funding source(s):

Donor name BRS Secretariat_____

Amount in USD 40000 _____
 Means of verification Signed SSFA between the Secretariat of the Stockholm Convention and BCCC-SCRC, e-mails, final reports

Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name BRS Secretariat _____
 Country Switzerland _____
 Means of verification Signed SSFA between the Secretariat of the Stockholm Convention and BCCC-SCRC, e-mails, final reports

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

Article 16 of the Stockholm Convention requires the Conference of the Parties to evaluate periodically whether the Convention is an effective tool in achieving the objective of protecting human health and the environment from persistent organic pollutants. This evaluation is based on comparable and consistent monitoring data on the presence of POPs in the environment and in humans, as well as information from the national reports under Article 15 and non-compliance information under Article 17. The global monitoring plan for POPs, which has been put in place under the Convention, is a key component of the effectiveness evaluation and provides harmonized framework to identify changes in concentrations of POPs over time, as well as information on their regional and global environmental transport.

The monitoring report presents synthesized information from the first, second and third phases of the global monitoring plan and provides the current findings on POPs concentrations in the Latin America and the Caribbean Region, including baseline concentrations of 13 POPs measured for the first time in the Region, changes in levels overtime and trends where available.

BCCC-SCRC was in charge of the international expert selection and hiring processes and translation into Spanish.

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes
 No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
- B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
- C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
- D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities

- E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
- F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

- Yes
- No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;
- SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;
- SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:
- SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;
- SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;
- SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;
- SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;
- SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;
- SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;
- SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;
- SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national, subregional and regional levels, including:
- SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions;
- SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel;
- SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories;
- SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes;
- SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices;
- SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention;
- SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention;
- SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them;
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- BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes
- BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes.
- BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among []
other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes,
prohibitions and other control measures.

BC-Objective-1.4: To generate, provide, collect, transmit and use reliable qualitative and []
quantitative information and data regarding export, import and generation as required
under Article 13 of the Convention.

BC-Goal-2: Strengthening the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other []
wastes

BC-Objective-2.1: To pursue the development of environmentally sound management of []
hazardous and other wastes, especially through the preparation of technical guidelines, and
to promote its implementation in national legislation.

BC-Objective-2.2: To pursue the prevention and minimization of hazardous waste and []
other waste generation at source, especially through supporting and promoting activities
designed to reduce at the national level the generation and hazard potential of hazardous
and other wastes.

BC-Objective-2.3: To support and promote capacity-building for parties, including []
technological capability, through technology needs assessments and technology transfer, so
as to reduce the generation and hazard potential of hazardous and other wastes.

BC-Objective-2.4: To facilitate national, regional and international commitment with []
regard to the management of priority waste streams, as identified in the programme of
work of the Convention, taking into consideration the priorities of developing countries
and countries with economies in transition and in accordance with the requirements of the
Convention.

BC-Objective-2.5: To enhance and promote the sustainable use of resources by improving []
the management of hazardous and other wastes and to encourage the recognition of wastes
as a resource, where appropriate.

BC-Goal-3: Promoting the implementation of the environmentally sound management of []
hazardous and other wastes as an essential contribution to the attainment of sustainable
livelihood, the Millennium Development Goals and the protection of human health and the
environment

BC-Objective-3.1: To develop national and regional capacity, particularly through the []
Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, by integrating waste management
issues into national sustainable development strategies and plans for sustainable livelihood.

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Stockholm conventions, to improve environmental and working conditions through the
environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes.

Self-evaluation on Centre's capability.

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Would you like to submit this activity to be considered as an excellent example for the centre's capacity to Identify/Document/Implement actions and practices aimed at assisting parties?

Yes
No

Would you like to submit this activity as an excellent example for the centre managing and conducting activities efficiently, effectively and transparently (one example for each count is enough)?

Yes
No

Activity 41

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: Logistic support for experts and PREAL members' participation at E-waste Academy for Scientist (EWAS) 2022, Limerick, Ireland, organized by United Nations University (UNU) and UNIDO, August 27th to September 4th, 2022

Activity information

Project number UNIDO GEF ID: 5554
Contract Number: 3000066736
BCCC-SCRC Number: 701192
Agreement with Sustainable Electronics Recycling International (SERI)
BCCC-SCRC Number: 701916

Project duration (in month) 3 _____

Start date 06/25/2022 _____

End date 10/01/2022 _____

Planned start date 06/25/2022 _____

Planned end date 10/01/2022 _____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

Basel Convention (BC)

Stockholm Convention (SC)

Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)

Other : (Please specify) _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

Argentina

Bolivia (Plurinational State of)

Chile

Costa Rica

Ecuador

El Salvador

Guatemala

Honduras

India

Malaysia

Nicaragua

Panama

Peru

Uruguay

Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 15_____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic []
Chinese []
English
French []
Russian []
Spanish
Other : (Please specify) [] _____

Means of verification for language(s)

Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails,
budget reviews
Contract with SERI

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 55077_____

Funding source(s):

Donor name UNIDO (GEF)
UNU (SERI)_____

Amount in USD 55077_____

Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails,
budget reviews
Contract with SERI_____

Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name UNIDO and UNU _____

Country Austria and UK_____

Means of verification Contract and amendment UNIDO – BCCC-SCRC, emails,
budget reviews
Contract with SERI

Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The 2022 EWAS, organized by UNU-UNITAR SCYCLE, is part of a broader initiative managed by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), with the financial support from the Global Environment Facility (GEF).

The EWAS brought together selected researchers from across the social and physical sciences to look at e-waste via a truly interdisciplinary lens. PhD students, postdocs, and early career researchers from around the world convened for an intensive 8-day program that included expert lectures, hands-on workshops, field visits, and group work.

The BCCC-SCRC performed activities:

- Contact and inform all logistic arrangement regarding participant travel from the Country of departure to the EWAS City destination (round trip and following the UN regulations on this topic (i.e. more direct and cheaper flight)).
- Flight tickets and bus tickets issued.
- Limerick hotel payment.
- Send to the donors expenditure reports.

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

- Yes
- No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- A. Training activities that impart hands on skills
- B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures
- C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions
- D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities
- E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties
- F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

- Yes
- No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;
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- SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;
- SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;
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- SC-D: The development and strengthening of research capacity at the national,

subregional and regional levels, including:

- SC-D-i: The development and introduction of alternatives to persistent organic pollutants, with special emphasis on reducing the need for specific exemptions; []
- SC-D-ii: The training of technical personnel; []
- SC-E: The development and establishment of laboratory capacity, including the promotion of standard sampling and analysis procedures for the validation of inventories; []
- SC-F: The development, implementation and enforcement of regulatory controls and incentives for the sound management of persistent organic pollutants; []
- SC-G: The identification and disposal of persistent organic pollutant wastes, including transfer of environmentally sound technologies for the destruction of such wastes; []
- SC-H: The identification and promotion of best available techniques and best environmental practices; []
- SC-I: The identification and remediation of sites contaminated with persistent organic pollutants; []
- SC-J: The development and updating of a list of technologies that are available to be transferred to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Article 12 of the Convention; []
- SC-K: The promotion of awareness-raising and information-dissemination programmes, including awareness-raising among the general public, of issues related to the Convention; []
- SC-L: The identification of obstacles and barriers to the transfer of technology and identification of the means to overcome them; []
- SC-M: Effectiveness evaluation, including monitoring of levels of persistent organic pollutants. []
- BC-Goal-1: Effective implementation of parties' obligations on transboundary movements of hazardous and other wastes []
- BC-Objective-1.1: To reach a common understanding among parties of the definition, interpretation and terminology of wastes covered by the Convention, including the distinction between wastes and non wastes. []
- BC-Objective-1.2: To prevent and combat illegal traffic in hazardous and other wastes. []
- BC-Objective-1.3: To improve performance in meeting requirements pertaining to, among other things, notifications of national definitions of hazardous and other wastes, prohibitions and other control measures. []
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Activity 42

Activity name:

Activity 1 Name: Intergovernmental Network of Chemicals and Waste (GRULAC) 2020-2021

Activity information

Project number SSFA/CHM/001-2020.
BCCC-SCRC Number: 701902

Project duration (in month) 13 _____

Start date 04/16/2020 _____

End date 05/31/2021 _____

Planned start date 04/16/2020 _____

Planned end date 05/31/2021 _____

To which convention this activity is reported for?

- Basel Convention (BC)
- Stockholm Convention (SC)
- Basel and Stockholm Convention (BC-SC)
- Other : (Please specify) _____

Beneficiary country(ies)

Global benefit not limited to countries

- Antigua and Barbuda
- Argentina
- Bahamas
- Barbados
- Belize
- Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
- Brazil
- Chile
- Colombia
- Costa Rica
- Cuba
- Dominica
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- El Salvador
- Grenada
- Guatemala
- Guyana
- Haiti
- Honduras
- Jamaica
- Mexico
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Saint Kitts and Nevis
- Saint Lucia
- Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- Suriname
- Trinidad and Tobago
- Uruguay
- Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Number of beneficiary countries

Number of beneficiary country(ies) 33 _____

Languages in which the activity was conducted

Arabic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/>
English	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
French	<input type="checkbox"/>
Russian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spanish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other : (Please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

Means of verification for language(s)

Webex meeting, ToRs, Decisions at the last GRULAC
Environment Ministerial Forum
Emails
Final Reports

Budget information:

Total project budget (in USD) 42000

Funding source(s):

Donor name UNEP ROLAC

Amount in USD 42000

Means of verification Signed SSFA and Amendments

Collaborating agency(ies):

Organization name UNEP ROLAC _____

Country United Nations Panama _____

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Narrative summary of the activity, including outcomes (in quantifiable terms as much as possible)

The XX Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of Latin America and the Caribbean by Decision 8, recognizing the urgent need for concerted action by all countries in the region to effectively address the risks posed to human health and the environment associated with the unsound management of

chemicals and all wastes, as well as of the importance to have regional coordination mechanisms, decided to establish an Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste for Latin America and the Caribbean. The main objective of the Network is strengthening the environmentally sound management of chemicals and waste, reinforcing sub-regional and regional cooperation and facilitating the exchange of experiences, ensuring cooperation and coordination with agreed international and regional frameworks, as well as improving engagement and communication with other stakeholders. UN Environment Programme, Latin America and the Caribbean Office serves as secretariat of the Network.

A Steering Committee of the Network was established according to the terms of reference of the Network, comprising two members from each of the sub-regions of Latin America and the Caribbean (Mesoamerica, Caribbean, Andean and the Southern Cone). The Steering Committee led the development process of the Action plan for regional cooperation on chemicals and waste management in Latin America and the Caribbean 2019-2020 (hereinafter the “Action Plan”), with the support of a Working Group, and following a comprehensive consultation of priority issues and needs with all the Network’s national focal points .

The Action Plan was submitted and adopted by the XXI Forum of Ministers of Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean (Buenos Aires, Argentina, 9-12 October 2018), through Decision 1 on Chemicals, Marine Litter and Waste Management. The Action Plan includes 33 technical cooperation actions within 6 priority topics, namely:

1. Governance, coordination mechanisms and international presence
2. Knowledge, information and monitoring
3. Priority topics under the SAICM Global Plan of Action
4. Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions
5. Mercury and Lead
6. Waste management

Outputs and Activities

1. Support the implementation of specific activities of the Action Plan for Regional Cooperation on Chemicals & Waste 2019-2020, including the review of legal and institutional frameworks in LAC countries (Delayed due to Covid19 pandemic situation).

- 1.1 Detailed work plan for the development of the identification and review of regulations and policies and the analysis of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes for Used Lead-Acid Batteries (ULAB).

- 1.2 Draft Report with compilation of examples of integrated chemicals management policies, regulations, including examples of mainstreaming and adoption of GHS schemes, as well as a comparative analysis and identification of regional trends in LAC.

- 1.3 Final Report with compilation and assessment of regulations and policies in the LAC region.

2. Analysis of EPR schemes and information exchange on the sound management of ULAB, including an assessment report and 1 webinar (in cooperation with the Basel Center of Argentina – CRBAS).

- Draft report on existing EPR schemes for ULAB in the LAC region, including lessons learnt.

- Final report on EPR schemes with recommendations for the LAC region and description of the information exchange actions conducted (webinar).

3. Development of awareness raising activities, as reflected in the Action Plan of the Network, including the development of communication materials.

- Design of a factsheet/infographic with key messages and data on the benefits of chemicals and waste control, key trends in the region, and action by LAC countries.

- Short video with key messages and trends on the relevance of the chemicals and waste issues, and the need to take action. To be used for disseminating during the next Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of Environment.

- Dedicated session (virtual) to raise awareness to high-level government officers and Focal Points of the Intergovernmental Network, at the meeting of outcomes of the Forum of Ministers of Environment and key findings of reports.

4. Support the operation of the Intergovernmental Network on Chemicals and Waste, including the strengthening of its communications and preparatory work towards the LAC Meeting of the Forum of Ministers of Environment.

- Design and Communication strategy with development of communication products: visual identity of the Network (including logo) and Newsletter.

- Key documents of the Network are developed and edited in Spanish and English, including Progress Report on the Action Plan 2019-2020; new Action Plan 2021-2022.

All the activities have been finalized during 2021 due to delays on the pandemic situation.

The BCCC-SCRC was in charge of all activities:

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/red-de-quimicos/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/informe-tecnico-esquemas-de-responsabilidad-extendida-del-productor-rep-existent-para-baterias-de-plomo-acido-usadas-bapu-en-la-region-de-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>

<http://ccbasilea-crestocolmo.org.uy/webinar-esquemas-de-responsabilidad-extendida-del-productor-rep-existent-para-baterias-de-plomo-acido-usadas-bapu-en-america-latina-y-el-caribe/>

Activity categories

Are you reporting this activity under the Technology Transfer category?

Yes

No

To which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

A. Training activities that impart hands on skills

B. Activities that provide knowledge on environmentally sound processes or procedures

C. Creating enabling environments to develop and implement innovative solutions

D. Building new institutional frameworks and capacities

E. Installing new infrastructure for eligible country parties

F. Ensuring the integrity of legal property rights in technology transfer

Are you reporting this activity under the Technical Assistance category?

- Yes
- No

If yes to which of the following sub-categorie(s)?

- SC-A: Development, updating and implementation of the national implementation plans called for in Article 7 of the Convention;
- SC-B: Review of available infrastructure, capacity and institutions at the national and local levels and the potential to strengthen them in the light of the Convention;
- SC-C: Training for decision-makers, managers and personnel responsible for issues related to the Convention in:
- SC-C-i: Persistent organic pollutants identification;
- SC-C-ii: Technical assistance needs identification;
- SC-C-iii: Project proposal writing;
- SC-C-iv: Legislation development and enforcement;
- SC-C-v: Development of an inventory of persistent organic pollutants;
- SC-C-vi: Risk assessment and management of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and furans;
- SC-C-vii: Evaluation of social and economic impacts;
- SC-C-viii: Development of pollutant release and transfer registers;
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