

REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETINGS TO THE 2015 COPS



BASEL CONVENTION



ROTTERDAM CONVENTION



STOCKHOLM CONVENTION

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REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETINGS

- Mandated by 2013 COPs in order to support preparations for the back-to-back COPs
- Provide parties with an opportunity to undertake regional consultations
- Bureaux members involved in preparations and development of programmes
- Financial support by Switzerland and EU
- Held back-to-back with workshops in support for the ratification and effective implementation of the Minamata Convention on Mercury

DATES AND VENUES

Region	Date	Venue	Co-organizer	Languages
Asia & Pacific	17-20 March	Jakarta	BCRC/SCRC Indonesia	English
Africa	24-27 March	Gigiri, Nairobi	SCRC Kenya, UNEP, ROA	English- French
CEE	7-10 April	Bratislava	BCRC Slovakia	English- Russian
GRULAC	14-17 April	Montevideo	BCCC/SCRC Uruguay	English- Spanish

PARTICIPANTS

- Nominations to be submitted with a cover letter from Ministries of Foreign Affairs or Permanent Missions
- 2 funded BRS participants + 1 funded Minamata participant – funded for both meetings

Region	Invitations by	Nominations by
Asia & Pacific	Done (15.01.2015)	10.02.2015
Africa	Done (19.01.2015)	17.02.2015
CEE	29.01.2015	27.02.2015
GRULAC	09.02.2015	06.03.2015

PROGRAMME

- Bureaux members defined programmes for their region
- Content:
 - Organization of work of the 2015 COPs
 - Joint sessions (technical assistance, financial resources, budget, synergies, international cooperation)
 - BC (technical guidelines, CLI, Cartagena Declaration, operations of the OEWG)
 - RC (listing of chemicals, compliance)
 - SC (listing of chemicals, compliance, exemptions, BDE/PFOS)
 - Other region-specific topics
 - Joint session with Minamata Convention

Website of the
regional preparatory meetings:

<http://synergies.pops.int/?tabid=4247>

Thank you for your attention.