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Presentation Outline

- Chemicals in the context of sustainable development
- Third session of the Conference
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Chemicals in the Context of Sustainable Development (1/2)



Chemical Safety for Sustainable Development

“The sound management of chemicals is essential if we are to achieve sustainable development, including the eradication of poverty and disease, the improvement of human health and the environment and the elevation and maintenance of the standard of living in countries at all levels of development.”

Dubai, 2006



Chemicals in the Context of Sustainable Development (2/2)

The future we want

“We recognize that sound management of chemicals is crucial for the protection of human health and the environment. We further recognize that growing global production and use of chemicals and prevalence in the environment calls for increased international cooperation. We reaffirm our aim to achieve by 2020 sound management of chemicals throughout their life cycle and of hazardous waste in ways that lead to minimization of significant adverse effects on human health and the environment, as set out in the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation .”

Rio de Janeiro, June 2012



International Conference on Chemicals Management

- ICCM3 will mark a major milestone in the implementation of the Strategic Approach.
 - maintaining the momentum of SAICM implementation,
 - renewing political commitment,
 - setting the agenda for international chemicals management in the coming years and
 - forging agreement on more substantial financial arrangements beyond the initial enabling phase.



Taking stock – towards 2020

- New emerging policy issues
- New additions to global plan of action
- Health sector strategy
- Emerging policy issues:
 - Lead in Paint: Global phase out by 2018?
 - CiP: Non-legally binding framework for information exchange
 - Hazardous substances e-products: international set of best practices, green design?
 - Nanotechnologies: criteria for the Globally Harmonized System concerning the safety of nanomaterials
 - PFCs: stewardship programmes and regulatory approaches ?



The Open-ended Working Group reached agreement in a number of areas. Draft resolutions have been transmitted to the Conference on the following issues:

- Additions of new activities to the GPA
- Omnibus resolution on emerging policy issues including lead in paints, chemicals in products, nanotechnology and manufactured nanomaterials, and hazardous substances within the life cycle of electrical and electronic products, as well as perfluorinated chemicals;
- Strategy for strengthening the engagement of the health sector in implementation of the Strategic Approach.
- New emerging policy issues. The Working Group by adopting Decision OEWG.1/4 A on endocrine-disrupting chemicals by consensus, decided to forward this matter to the Conference for consideration.



Expected outcomes (1/2)

1. Agreement on further cooperative action in relation to **emerging policy issues and perfluorinated chemicals**;
2. Addition of new activities to the **Global Plan of Action (GPA)** related to:
 - a) nanotechnologies and manufactured nanomaterials; and
 - b) hazardous substances within the life cycle of electrical and electronic products;
3. Adoption of **new emerging policy issue and related cooperative action (Endocrine disrupting chemicals)**.



Expected outcomes (2/2)

4. Adoption of a strategy for **strengthening the engagement of the health sector** in the implementation of SAICM;
5. Decision on the future of the **Quick Start Programme** following recommendations from the **QSP Executive Board**.
6. Decisions towards establishment of adequate funding mechanisms for **financing sound management of chemicals and wastes**.



- **Sunday 16 September**
 - Registrations
 - Regional coordination
 - Technical briefings
 - QSP Information Sharing Session
- **Monday 17 September**
 - Opening of the session: 10.00
 - Side events: 13:30-14:30
 - Reception: 18:00-19:00
- **Tuesday 18 September**
 - Regular session from 10.00
 - Side events: 13:30-14:30 and from 18:00-19:00
- **Wednesday 19 September**
 - Regular session from 10.00
 - Side events: 13:30-14:30
 - ICCA special event
- **Thursday 20 September**
 - Regular session from 10.00
 - High-level event 11:00-13:00
 - Side events: 13:30-14:30
 - SAICM Awards Ceremony: 17:00 and 18:00.
- **Friday 21 September**
 - Regular session from 10.00
 - Side events: 13:30-14:30
 - Closing of the session: 18.00



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