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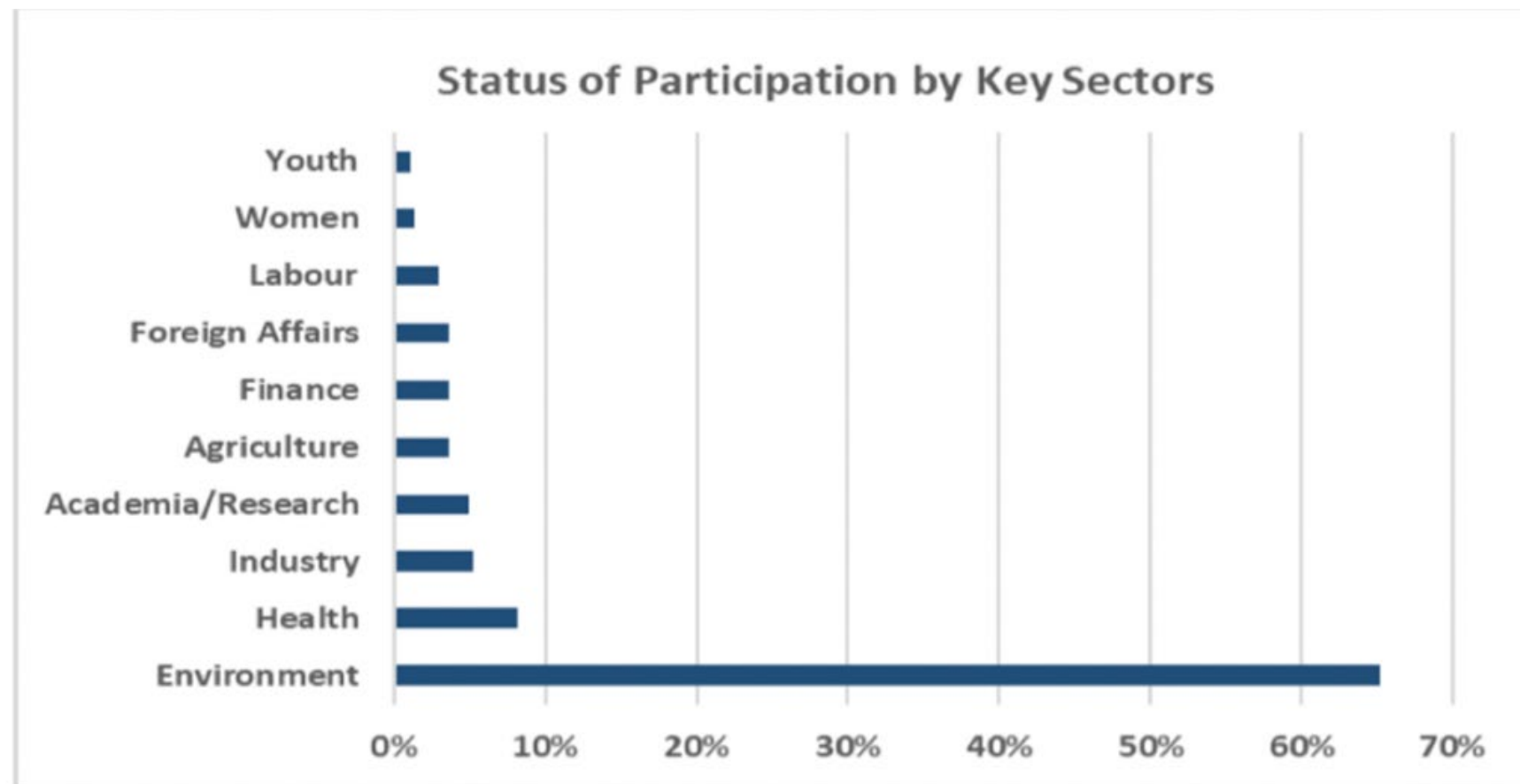


A photograph of laboratory glassware, including a beaker and a graduated cylinder, filled with a purple liquid. The scene is lit with a strong blue light, creating a high-contrast, scientific atmosphere. The glassware is arranged in a way that suggests a chemical experiment or analysis.

Chemicals & Waste Youth Platform Background

Youth: Missing Piece to Effective Chemicals & Waste Policy

- The chemicals and waste conventions recognize that **youth are significantly vulnerable** to chemicals and waste and aim to protect youth
- However, **youth are not often included** in the development of global policy/ activities to address these problems

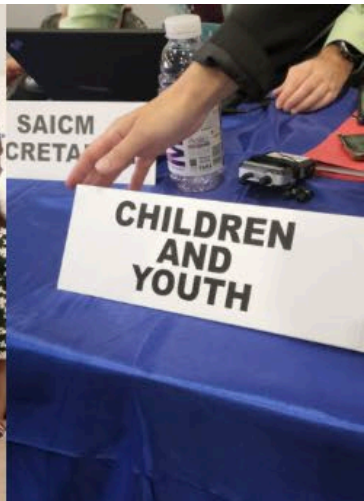


SAICM, 2020. Promoting multi-stakeholder and multi-sectoral participation – summary of known obstacles and possible incentives.

What is the Chemicals & Waste Youth Platform (CWYP)?

Chemicals, waste and pollution-focused youth constituency, convened by the UN Major Group for Children and Youth

- Operationalised:
February 2021
- Goal:
Engage youth in the design, implementation, monitoring, follow-up and review of chemicals and waste agenda policies at all levels
- Membership:
Universal in nature, 600+ youth organisations & individuals



Coordination Team

11 portfolios

- **Regional Focal Points**

- Africa
- MENA
- Europe
- North America
- LAC
- Asia and the Pacific

- **Thematic Focal Points**

- Chemicals and Health
- Chemicals and Human Rights
- Plastics
- Science Policy
- Capacity-Building and Communications





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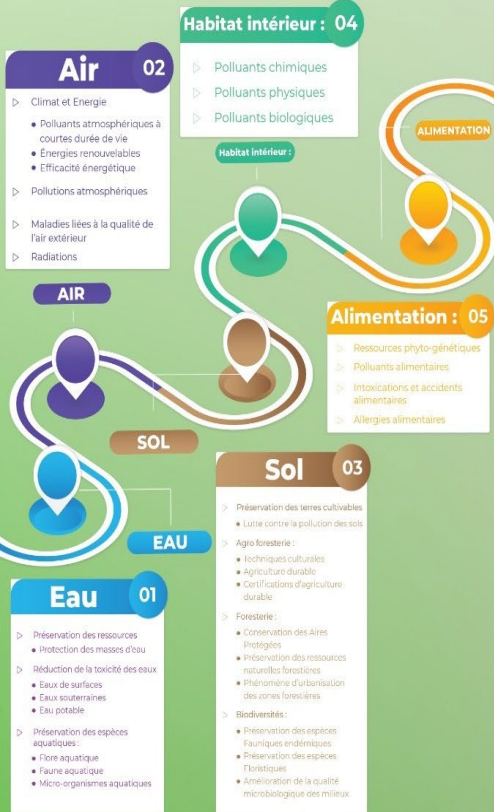


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Axes d'interventions du CASE





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Youth Inclusion in the chemicals and waste management spaces



Role of youth in the different stages of NIP

National Circumstances

- ✓ Africa has a young population
- ✓ Low involvement of youth in national, sub-regional and regional environmental policies
- ✓ lack of adequate training to meet current environmental challenges



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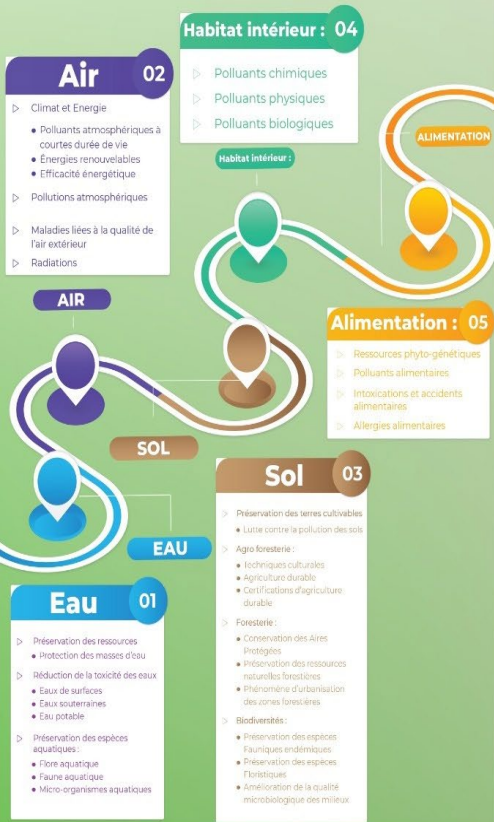
POPs and their wastes on health and the environment

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- ✓ National POPs Inventory
- ✓ Institutional Assessment on POPs Management
- ✓ National POPs and POPs waste related diseases monitoring
- ✓ Ecological damage analysing

Role of youth in the different stages of NIP implementation

Chemical management plans, gap analysis and expression of needs for challenges

- ✓ Involvement of youth in the development of the action plan for the elimination of chemicals
 - ✓ Youth parliament on water
 - ✓ Women's organisations
 - ✓ Different types of minorities etc.

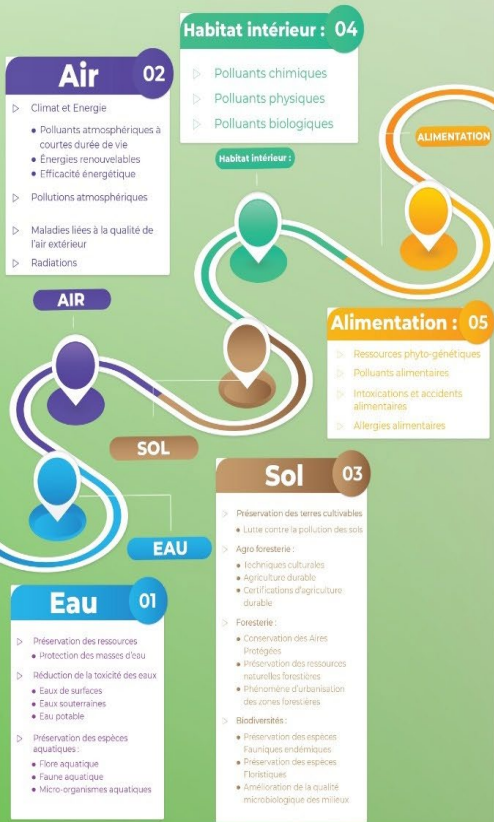


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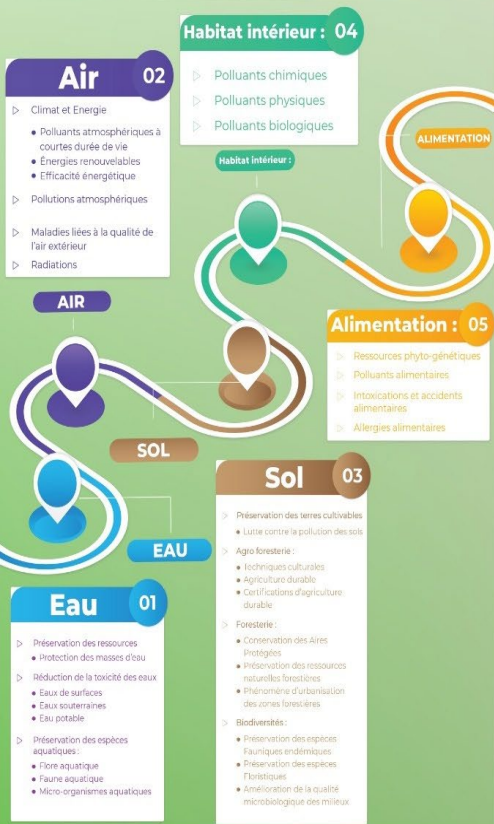
Education, training and capacity building for youth

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- ✓ Introduce or reinforce the concepts of chemical pollutants and waste management in academic courses on agriculture and environment
- ✓ Awareness raising and participation of youth in chemical management activities
- ✓ Communicating comfortably about chemicals in social media
- ✓ Organise debates on the BRS (Stockholm) convention in schools and universities



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NIPs PROCESS IN ZAMBIA

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Zambia

Contents

- Status of Ratification
- NIPs Process
- Recommendations

May 2001-Zambia become signatory



2002 to 2006- Development of the first NIPs

Oct 2006 –Zambia submitted instrument of ratification and become party

May 2009-Submitted the NIPs to the SC Secretariat

2017-Revised the NIP

The NIPs Process in Zambia

Component 1

Re-establishment of coordinating mechanism and awareness raising.

Component 2

- Establishment of new POPs Inventories and NIPs review

Component 3

- National capacities assessment and priority setting for management of new POPs

Component 4

Formulation of National Implementation Plan

PHASE I: ESTABLISHMENT OF COORDINATING MECHANISM

- The initial processes included the following steps
 - a. Signing of the MOU
 - b. Setting up of the National Coordinator's Office at ZEMA
 - c. Holding of the national inception workshop at which four thematic groups were formed.

These were Industrial POPs, UPOPs, Pesticides and PCBs

- Training of Working Group members
- Formulation of project work plan

The NIPs Process in Zambia

PHASE II: Establishment Of Pops Inventories and Assessment of National Infrastructure and Capacity

- Formulation of National wide inventory work plan
 - Desk review of the first NIP
 - Formulation of work plan

- Development of the National POPs Inventory (Industrial Pops, Pesticides, UPOPs and PCBs)
 - Production of inventory reports
 - Submission of inventory reports to UNIDO for review

The NIPs Process in Zambia

PHASE III: Priority Assessment and Objective Setting

Key activities included:

- The review of the Zambia environmental legal and regulatory framework with regard to POPs
- The review of monitoring, analytical and enforcement capacity for POPs in Zambia
- Socioeconomic assessment of POPs in Zambia was also conducted
- Engaged four Consultants to conduct the review and update of the NIPs
- A National Priority Assessment and Objective Setting Report was conducted

The NIPs Process in Zambia

PHASE IV: Formulation Of National Implementation Plan

- Following the Priority assessment and Objective Setting,
- The Working Groups embarked on the action plan development for the NIP
- Conducted validation workshop
- The Zambian Action Plans Development focused on:
 - Pesticides (Endosulfan and DDT)
 - Industrial Chemicals: PFOS and PBDEs
 - PCBs

The NIPs Process in Zambia

PHASE V: NIP Endorsement And Submission

Activities :

- Review of the draft NIPs by stakeholders and UNIDO
- National stakeholder Endorsement
- National High Level Endorsement
- Finalizing of the NIP
- Submit for Approval and,
- Implementation of NIPs Action Plans

Recommendations

1. Capacity building targeted at youths;
2. Involve youths as stakeholders in the NIP development process; and
3. Develop awareness raising programme related to National implementation plans that are targeting youths.

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