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Consideration of the 2018–2019 work programme of the Group

**Planning and prioritization of the activities of the expert working
group on environmentally sound management**

Note by the Secretariat

The annex to the present note contains information on planning and prioritization of the activities of the expert working group on environmentally sound management, as agreed by the group during its first online meeting in July 2017. The present note, including its annex, has not been formally edited.

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Annex

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Topic	Work programme	Update and proposed action	Timeframe
Manuals	Finalize the practical manual on insurance and liability, taking into account the outcome of the pilot project in Argentina and the development of draft guidance on insurance, bond and guarantee (UNEP/CHW.13/INF/24) by the Implementation and Compliance Committee (ICC).	<p><u>Update:</u> Draft revised guidance developed by ICC is available for comments by 30 September 2017; Pilot project yet to commence (will shortly)</p> <p><u>Proposed action:</u> Wait until next draft of ICC guidance is available and for interim results of pilot project in Argentina</p>	Status update at EWG-7 and decide on next steps, taking into account outcomes of ongoing work
	Finalize the four pilot projects to test manuals and fact sheets. ¹	<p><u>Update:</u> One pilot project (BCRC Slovakia) is being implemented (until December 2017); the legal agreement for the other (BCRC China) is being finalized</p> <p><u>Proposed action:</u> Call for expressions of interest to be sent to BCRCs for final two pilot projects (Secretariat)</p>	Call for expressions of interest to be sent ASAP
	Finalize practical manuals on extended producer responsibility and financing systems, as appropriate.	<p><u>Update:</u> Comments to be submitted by Parties and others on EPR and financing manuals by 30 November 2017 (draft already circulated to Parties and others)</p> <p><u>Proposed action:</u> 1. Small group on EPR to</p>	Work to be continued on manuals development after receipt of comments – from December 2017

¹ During the 2016–2017 biennium, two projects to test the manuals and factsheets developed by the expert working group will be implemented, namely a project to be implemented by the Basel Convention Regional Centre in Slovakia and a project to be implemented by the Basel Convention Regional Centre in China. Two more projects are to be selected by the expert working group following the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

		be reconvened under leadership of Joost Meijer and Ross Bartley ² 2. Small group on financing to be reconvened under leadership of Andreas Jaron ¹	
	Develop a practical manual for stakeholders ² to ensure that notifications of transboundary movements meet ESM requirements.	<u>Proposed action:</u> 1. Marco Buletti and Secretariat to gather information for EWG (preparatory work) 2. EWG to consider information gathered 3. Potential for small group to be convened following preparatory work ³	1. Thought starter prepared (document UNEP/CHW/CLI_EWG.7/INF/2) 2. EWG-7 to consider thought starter
Guidance on prevention and minimization ⁴	Continue work on gathering good practices and examples with regard to waste prevention and minimization.	<u>Update:</u> Deadline for submission of good practices by Parties and others on 30 June 2018. <u>Proposed action:</u> 1. EWG to consider good practices/examples as they are received 2. EWG to submit further good practices 3. Secretariat to post on web pages	Ongoing
Guidance on recycling and recovery	Develop a guidance document to assist Parties in developing efficient strategies for the recycling and recovery of hazardous and other wastes, as part of activities to implement the Cartagena Declaration on the Prevention, Minimization and Recovery of Hazardous Wastes and Other Wastes.	<u>Proposed action:</u> 1. Christoffer Vestli and Joost Meijer to develop thought starter paper 2. Potential for small group to be convened following preparatory work ⁵	1. Thought starter prepared (document UNEP/CHW/CLI_EWG.7/INF/1) 2. Collection of examples of strategies for recycling and recovery (document UNEP/CHW/CLI_EWG.7/INF/4) 3. EWG-7 to consider thought starter and examples provided

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² Including competent authorities, exporters and generators.

³ Those signaling interest in participating in small group: Marco Buletti, Dana Lapesova, Samwel Manyele, Yorg Aerts, Oumar Cisse, Miguel Araujo, Patti Whiting, Viktoriya Belokonska, Lixia Zheng.

⁴ As requested in the road map for action on the implementation of the Cartagena Declaration on the Prevention, Minimization and Recovery of Hazardous Wastes and Other Wastes (decision BC-12/2).

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Certification schemes to support ESM	Initiate an exchange of experiences on the operational aspects of certification schemes to support ESM.	<u>Proposed action:</u> 1. Patti Whiting, Leila Devia, Ross Bartley and Dana Lapesova to take the lead in i. Listing global certification schemes of interest (possibly using the certification manual as a starting point) and ii. Gathering relevant contacts. 2. Information shared with EWG 3. Invitations to such entities and a format for their participation is considered by EWG	1. EWG-7 to consider issue further
Pilot projects	Finalize the 5 pilot projects.	<u>Update:</u> BCRC China on co-processing: Being implemented (until April 2018) BCRC Argentina/Chile on spent lighting products: Being implemented (until November 2018) BCRC Argentina/Argentina: Legal agreement being finalized China on ULAB: Being implemented (until May 2019) Liberia on e-waste: Being implemented (until October 2018) <u>Proposed action:</u> Secretariat to continue engaging with implementing partners	Ongoing
	Develop outcome reports and undertake evaluations of pilot projects.	<u>Proposed action:</u> Reports and evaluations to be developed / undertaken as pilot projects are completed	Ongoing
	Further assess the possibility for further pilot projects.	<u>Update:</u> No funding currently available for further pilot projects <u>Proposed action:</u> Secretariat to engage with potential donors	Ongoing
Promotion of ESM in the informal sector	Develop guidance on how to address ESM in the informal sector.	<u>Proposed action:</u> 1. EWG to send to Secretariat any additional examples of promotions of	1. EWG members and observers provide examples of promoting ESM in informal sector (document)

		ESM in the informal sector 2. Marilia Viotti and Leila Devia to consider examples already provided and to commence preparatory work to share with EWG 3. EWG to consider information gathered 4. Potential for small group to be convened following preparatory work ⁶	UNEP/CHW/CLI_EWG.7/INF/3) 2. EWG-7 to consider examples provided
Promotion and dissemination of the ESM Toolkit	Undertake activities to promote and disseminate toolkit, subject to available resources Such activities could include – promotion of Toolkit at already planned events (e.g. through side events, etc.), translations, promotion through BCRCs	<u>Proposed action:</u> 1. Secretariat to develop proposals for suggested activities as part of its work programme 2. EWG to send ideas for activities to Secretariat	Ongoing

⁶ Those signaling interest in participating in small group: Marilia Viotti, Leila Devia, (Adel Shafei Osman), Henry Williams, Yorg Aerts, Thiago Campi, Marco Buletti, Patti Whiting, Lixia Zheng.