

Decision III/21**Technical assistance under the Basel Convention including for the Implementation of Agenda 21**

The Conference,

Recalling decision I/23 of the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties and decisions II/20 and II/21 of the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties:

1. Invites Parties and non-Parties as well as interested IGOs to provide financial resources to the Technical Cooperation Trust Fund to enable the Secretariat of the Basel Convention to assist developing countries and countries with economies in transition effectively in implementing the Convention including through activities in Agenda 21 of direct relevance to the Convention.
2. Also invites Parties, non-Parties and relevant international organizations to contribute in kind to activities to be carried out for developing countries and countries with economies in transition in the field of environmentally sound management of hazardous by providing resource persons, experts in hazardous waste related issues, to advise these countries as required in strengthening their institutional capacities for the implementation of the Basel Convention and/or to provide in-service training for experts from these countries.
3. Invites Parties and other countries to consider providing support directly on a bilateral basis for project proposals and requests for assistance received from Parties which are developing countries and countries with economies in transition through the Secretariat of the Basel Convention and keep the Secretariat informed on the implementation of activities in this respect.