

2. Request for information on the follow-up to the Indonesian-Swiss country-led initiative: Providing further legal clarity

Decision: BC-12/1: Follow-up to the Indonesian-Swiss country-led initiative to improve the effectiveness of the Basel Convention

Background:

At its twelfth meeting, the Conference of the Parties (COP-12) extended the mandate of the small intersessional working group (SIWG) on legal clarity to finalize the glossary of terms including explanations for the consideration of the Open-ended Working Group for consideration at its tenth meeting (OEWG-10) and, subsequently, to the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting (COP-13). COP-12 also considered the options put forward by the SIWG and decided to initiate a review of Annexes I, III and IV and related aspects in Annex IX to the Convention taking as a basis the legally binding options identified in section II of annex II to document UNEP/CHW.12/INF/52. In this context, COP-12 is inviting, respectively requesting, the information listed in the table below. In terms of next steps, the lead party, or in its absence the Secretariat subject to the availability of resources, is to assess the views received from parties and others on options identified in section II.A of annex II to document UNEP/CHW.12/INF/52 and to prepare recommendations thereon for the consideration of the OEWG-10; and the Secretariat is to compile the views received from parties and others in relation to the review of Annexes I, III and IV and related aspects in Annex IX to the Convention and to submit these to the OEWG-10.

Requests:

	Request	Respondent(s)	Method of submission	Deadline for submission
(a)	Parties and others are invited to submit views on the options identified in section II.A and section II.B of annex II to document UNEP/CHW.12/INF/52.	Parties Others	Please make submissions to the Secretariat via the contact point provided below.	30 November 2015
(b)	Parties are invited to inform the Secretariat of interest in taking the lead on the review of Annex IV and related aspects of Annex IX to the Convention identified in section II.A of annex II to document UNEP/CHW.12/INF/52.	Parties	Please inform the Secretariat via the contact point provided below.	30 November 2015

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