

OEWG-10/2: Developing guidelines for environmentally sound management

The Open-ended Working Group

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the expert working group on environmentally sound management and its co-chairs for their work and takes note of the report on the activities undertaken by the group;¹
2. *Requests* the expert working group on environmentally sound management to continue to develop activities, subject to the availability of resources, to implement its work programme;
3. *Welcomes* the set of revised draft practical manuals for the promotion of the environmentally sound management of wastes² and the revised draft fact sheets on specific waste streams;³
4. *Invites* Parties and others to submit comments on the set of revised draft practical manuals and the revised draft fact sheets referred to in paragraph 3 above to the Secretariat by 30 September 2016;
5. *Also invites* Parties and others to test the set of revised draft practical manuals and the revised draft fact sheets referred to in paragraph 3 above and to provide comments to the Secretariat for consideration by the expert working group on environmentally sound management;
6. *Requests* the expert working group to continue its work to develop draft practical manuals on extended producer responsibility and financing systems for environmentally sound management and to make them available by 31 October 2016 for comment by Parties and others;
7. *Invites* Parties and others to submit comments on the first drafts of the draft practical manuals referred to in paragraph 6 above to the Secretariat by 15 December 2016;
8. *Requests* the expert working group on environmentally sound management:
 - (a) To revise the set of draft practical manuals and the draft fact sheets referred to in paragraph 3 above, taking into account the comments received pursuant to paragraphs 4 and 5 above, for consideration and possible adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting;
 - (b) To revise the draft practical manuals on extended producer responsibility and financing systems for environmentally sound management referred to in paragraph 6 above, taking into account the comments received pursuant to paragraph 7 above, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting;
9. *Requests* the Secretariat to develop an online survey to assess the relevance and utility of the Basel Convention documents related to environmentally sound management, as outlined in document UNEP/CHW/OEWG.10/INF/6, based on the guidance provided in the annex to the present decision, and to make it available to Parties and others by 15 September 2016;
10. *Invites* Parties and others to submit responses to the online survey by 15 November 2016;
11. *Requests* the Secretariat to prepare a report on the responses to the online survey for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting.

¹ UNEP/CHW/OEWG.10/INF/7.

² UNEP/CHW/OEWG.10/INF/3.

³ UNEP/CHW/OEWG.10/INF/4.

Annex to decision OEWG-10/2

Guidance to the Secretariat on the development of an online survey to assess the relevance and utility of the Basel Convention documents related to environmentally sound management

1. Considerations for development of the survey:
 - (a) Completing the online survey should take 10–15 minutes;
 - (b) The survey should not include too many open-ended questions;
 - (c) The responses to the survey should be presented in aggregated form, without references to specific countries or organizations.
2. Coverage of the survey
 - (a) Usage
 - (i) State which country or organization is answering or on behalf of which country or entity you are answering. (The survey will be made available to Parties and others.)
 - (ii) State who is answering the survey. (Specify the specific position or government agency that is the source of the information.)
 - (iii) Which of the following guidelines have you ever used? (List the documents as in the inventory set out in document UNEP/CHW/OEWG.10/INF/6.)
 - (iv) How often do you use the guidelines mentioned in the answer to 2 (a) (iii)? (Should point to each guideline and indicate the frequency of use – either on a time basis or usage basis.)
 - (v) If you have not used any of the guidelines, why not? (For example the respondent was not aware of them; content is obsolete or not applicable (indicate which one); does not fit country or organization needs (cost of implementation, technology needs, barriers, specific country situations); there was no guidance on the topics that the respondent was looking for (if yes, indicate what was looked for); there was no need to consult the guidelines, given that local or national legislation covers the issues.)
 - (vi) Whether a country or organization uses the guidelines but considers some of the content outdated
 - (vii) List the guidelines over 10 years old and ask for specific feedback.
 - (b) Prioritization
 - (i) Is anything in the guidelines inappropriate or obsolete? If yes, please elaborate.
 - (ii) If you answered “yes” to question 2 (b) (i), please state who has used the guidelines and for what purpose. (This question is intended to elicit the audience and the purposes of usage.)
 - (iii) Please order the following potential uses of the guidelines, from most to least important:
 - a. National legislation
 - b. Training
 - c. Awareness-raising
 - d. Policy development
 - (iv) Are you aware of any Basel Convention materials not mentioned in this survey that are relevant to Parties and others, such as guidelines, technical documents and pilot project information?

(c) Dissemination

- (i) How do you access the guidelines? Do you have a preferred channel for doing so?
- (ii) How do you disseminate the guidelines? Are there preferred channels?
- (iii) Are there other topics that you need, or would like, guidelines to cover?