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**Open-ended Working Group of the Basel Convention
on the Control of Transboundary Movements of
Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal
Eighth meeting**
Geneva, 25–28 September 2012

Tentative schedule for the meeting

Note by the Secretariat

A tentative schedule for the eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group of the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal is set out in the annex to the present note. The schedule will be adjusted as work progresses.

Annex

Eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group: tentative schedule for the meeting (25–28 September 2012)^a

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning session 10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Meeting of the small intersessional working group on technical guidelines on transboundary movements of electronic and electrical waste (e-waste), in particular regarding the distinction between waste and non-waste (9 a.m.–3 p.m.)	Item 1: Opening of the meeting Item 2: Organizational matters: (a) Adoption of the agenda; (b) Organization of work. Item 3: Matters related to the work programme of the Open-ended Working Group for 2012–2013: (b) Scientific and technical matters: (ii) Technical guidelines: a. Technical guidelines on transboundary movements of electronic and electrical waste (e-waste), in particular regarding the distinction between waste and non-waste; b. Technical guidelines for the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with persistent organic pollutants; (iii) Applications for new entries to Annex IX to the Basel Convention.	Item 3 continued: (b) Scientific and technical matters: (i) Follow-up to the Indonesian-Swiss country-led initiative: developing guidelines for environmentally sound management; (a) Strategic issues: (i) Strategic framework; (ii) Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres; (iii) Basel Convention Partnership Programme; (e) International cooperation and coordination: (iii) Cooperation with the International Maritime Organization;	Item 3 continued: (e) International cooperation and coordination: (i) Enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions; (ii) Environmentally sound dismantling of ships; (iv) Other international cooperation and coordination; (d) Resource mobilization and sustainable financing; (f) Financial matters. Item 4. Work programme of the Open-ended Working Group for 2014–2015	Consideration of results of contact groups, including draft decisions. Item 3: continued: (a) Strategic issues: (iv) Basel Waste Solutions Circle. Item 5: Other matters
Lunch break 1–3 p.m.	Bureau meeting (2–3 p.m.)	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Afternoon session 3–6 p.m.	Regional meetings	Item 3 continued: (iv) Classification and hazard characterization of wastes; (c) Legal, governance and enforcement matters: (i) Follow up to the Indonesian-Swiss country-led initiative: providing further legal clarity: a. Interpretation of certain terminology; b. Used and end-of-life goods; (ii) Implementation and compliance committee.	Consideration of results of contact groups	Consideration of results of contact groups	Item 6: Adoption of the report Item 7: Closure of the meeting
Evening after 6 p.m.		Reception hosted by Switzerland (6.15 p.m.) Contact groups possible ^b (English only)	Contact groups possible (English only)	Contact groups possible (English only)	

^a Items listed in the schedule are from the annotations to the provisional agenda (UNEP/CHW/OEWG.8/1/Add.1) and the scenario note (UNEP/CHW/OEWG.8/INF/1).

^b Possible contact groups that the Open-ended Working Group may wish to consider establishing include contact groups on technical guidelines (items 3 (b) (ii) and (iii) of the provisional agenda), on legal clarity (item 3 (c) (i) of the provisional agenda), and on cooperation with the International Maritime Organization (item 3 (e) (iii) of the provisional agenda).