

OEWG-I/1 Decisions VI/1 and VI/2: Strategic plan for the implementation of the Basel Convention (to 2010)

The Open-ended Working Group,

Recalling decisions VI/1 on the Strategic Plan for the implementation of the Basel Convention (to 2010), decision VI/2 concerning project proposals under the Strategic Plan for the implementation of the Basel Convention and paragraph 8 of decision VI/41 on financial matters,

Acknowledging with appreciation the project proposals submitted by Parties and by the Basel Convention Regional Centres,

Recognizing the need to initiate activities for 2003-2004 as soon as practicable,

Further recognizing the limited financial resources available to implement activities for 2003-2004 under the Strategic Plan,

Having considered the project proposals submitted by Parties and the Basel Convention Regional Centres,

1. Selects the project proposals contained in appendix 1 to the present decision as those qualifying for funding under the Strategic Plan for 2003-2004 in accordance with the criteria adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its sixth meeting (decision VI/2, appendix);
2. Approves the level of funding of up to \$880,000 for the period 2003-2004, in consistency with decision VI/41 for the purpose of putting into effect activities to implement the projects selected as qualifying for funding as contained in appendix 1 to the present decision;
3. Takes note of the conditions governing the level of funding of up to \$880,000 as contained in appendix 2 to the present decision;
4. Takes note also of the exceptional character of the process undertaken by this session of the Open-ended Working Group to select projects as qualifying for funding;
5. Requests the secretariat to finalize the arrangements for funding of the project proposals selected for implementation through further consultations with the originators of the selected proposals in order to satisfy, as necessary, United Nations Environment Programme formal and substantive requirements associated with the management of the Basel Convention Trust Fund;
6. Also requests Parties and Basel Convention Regional Centres whose proposals have been selected to ensure their effective implementation in accordance with the funds allocated and report, through the secretariat, on progress and outcome in time for consideration by the third session of the Open-ended Working Group, in April 2004;
7. Further agrees to review progress in the implementation of the activities selected and funded under the Strategic Plan at its third session in April 2004.
8. Invites interested Parties and the Basel Convention Regional Centres other than from Africa and Latin America and the Caribbean to submit project proposals by 31 July 2003 for consideration by the Open-ended Working Group at its second session.

Appendix 1

Region	BCRC or Party	Title of Project	Total amount required in 2003-2004
Africa	Egypt	Hazardous Wastes Landfill (Site Selection, Design and preparation of operating plans) in Arab Region.	135,541
	Senegal	Inventory of Hazardous Wastes in French speaking countries covered by BCRC-Dakar	97,903
	South Africa	Development of a database for use by the countries in the region	19,581
	Nigeria	Regional workshop on successful case studies of recycling, reuse and recovery methods towards the environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes and implementation of the Basel Convention in Africa.	90,651
	Africa	Assessment and recycling of used oils in Africa	36,260
		Regional sub-total	379,936
Asia	China	A new Partnership with Local Authorities for the environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes in urban areas.	108,781
	Cambodia	Inventories of waste lead-acid batteries	45,688
	Jordan	Hazardous waste management in Small Medium Enterprise (SME) in the context of Integrated Life Cycle Management of Materials.	43,512
			Regional sub-total
CEE	Slovak Republic	“Implementation of waste minimization – cleaner production project” - training	30,687
			Regional sub-total
GRULAC	Argentina	Implementation of the control, detection and prevention of illegal traffic of hazardous wastes.	36,260
	Trinidad & Tobago	Assessment of the environmentally sound management of used oil in the Caribbean.	72,521
	El Salvador	Preparation of a regional strategy for the environmentally sound management of used lead-acid batteries in Central America and the Caribbean.	72,521
	GRULAC	Pilot program for the minimization of impacts generated by hazardous waste.	32,090
	Uruguay	Training program for municipal officers in environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes.	44,600
		Regional sub-total	257,993
WEOG	Germany	Scoping Paper on transfer of national experiences with waste prevention and minimization to a trans-regional or an international level.	13,402
			Regional sub-total
GRAND TOTAL			880,000

Appendix 2

1. On an exceptional basis, no project proposals from Parties or regional Centres in the Africa and Latin America and Caribbean regions will be considered at the second session of the Open-ended Working Group.
2. On an exceptional basis, funds allocated to project proposals from the same region, listed in appendix 1, may be reallocated from one proposal to another at the request of the Parties or the Basel Convention Regional Centres concerned.