

Side-event During the Face-to-face Segment of the twelfth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group of the Basel Convention

From Follow up PACE to PACE II?

Proposal for addition of new e-waste types in the scope of the Partnership

**Wednesday 6 April 2022, from 1:15 to 2:45 pm (Nairobi time) and
12:15 to 1:45 pm (Geneva time), Hybrid event**

Programme

- 1. Opening Remarks – BRS Secretariat (5 min.)**
- 2. Work of the Follow up Partnership to PACE (10 min.)**
- 3. New e-waste types and future work of the Partnership (15 min.)**
Dana Lapesova, Director BCRC Slovakia and Anton Purnomo, BCRC-SEA-SCRC Indonesia
- 4. How ITU standards are helping countries and the ICT sector to manage e-waste and achieve a circular economy (15 min.) – Reyna Ubeda, International Telecommunication Union**
- 5. Demonstration project on e-waste certification schemes and ESM of e-waste in Latin America (15 min.) – Leila Devia, Director of BCRC Argentina**
- 6. Debate with the public (25 min.)**
- 7. Closure of the side-event (5 min.)**



Background

Come and learn more about the new proposal for adding new e-waste types in the scope of the Follow-up Partnership to the Partnership for Action on Computing Equipment, its projects and the debate on what could be future of its work.

During the side event, there will be a brief presentation of the work undertaken by the partnership working group, including the proposal for a new name for the partnership and a debate on new challenges related to the growing digitalization accelerated by the COVID19 pandemic. The participants will be invited to participate in a debate on new and existing e-waste issues in their national and regional context.

According to the Global E-waste Monitor report (2020), in 2019, 53.6 million metric tons of e-waste were generated in the world. Only 17.4 % was documented as formally collected. It is predicted that e-waste generation, in the coming years, will boost, especially in low and mid-level income countries.

The Parties to the Basel Convention at the fourteenth Conference of the Parties, in 2019, established a Partnership to follow-up on the activities of the Partnership for Action on Computing Equipment, which had concluded its work, in 2017 (Decision BC-14/19 Part I).

The aim of this Partnership is to continue to raise awareness and keep the necessary attention to the challenges posed by the growing amount of e-waste generated in the world, especially in developing countries and countries in economic transition.



Schedule and registration

Date and Time (Nairobi time: UTC/GMT+3 hours)	Please register a few days in advance of the online side event. To register, please use the following link:
Wednesday 6 April, at 1:15 pm	

Additional information

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