

(7) Request for additional parties to nominate experts to participate in the small intersessional working group on legal clarity and request for comments on the definitions and explanations of certain terms and on the options for further steps towards the consistent interpretation of terminology

Reference: OEWG-9/8: Providing further legal clarity

Background:

At its ninth meeting, the Open-ended Working Group welcomed the work undertaken by the small intersessional working group on legal clarity. Following its consideration of the glossary of terms set out in annex I to document UNEP/CHW/OEWG.9/INF/20, the Working Group agreed that the following terms should be defined:

- Direct reuse, disposal, final disposal, hazardousness, hazardous wastes, intent to dispose, non-hazardous wastes, non-waste, prevention, recovery, recycling, reduction, refurbishment, repair, reuse and wastes (16 terms)

The Working Group also agreed that the following terms should be part of explanations of the definitions:

- By-product, charitable donation, end of waste status, fully functional, good/product, preparing waste for reuse, upgrading, use, and used good/product (9 terms)

Requests:

- Additional parties are invited to nominate experts to participate in the small intersessional working group on legal clarity by 15 October 2014.
- Parties and others are invited to submit comments on the definitions and explanations, set out in annex II to document UNEP/CHW/OEWG.9/INF/20, of the above mentioned terms, and on the options for further steps towards the consistent interpretation of terminology, including possible voluntary and legally binding options, set out in annex III to document UNEP/CHW/OEWG.9/INF/20 by 31 October 2014.

Method of submission:

- Please submit the comments to the Secretariat contact point by e-mail or Fax.

Deadline for submission:

- **15 October 2014 (nomination of experts to participate in the small intersessional working group on legal clarity)**
- **31 October 2014 (comments on the definitions and explanations and on the options for further steps towards the consistent interpretation of terminology)**

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