

Convention: SC

Supporting participation of developing countries in the Global Monitoring Plan for POPs, including monitoring of the newly listed substances

LEGAL BASIS/MANDATE:

Work programme activity #: 25

COP-decisions:

- The mandate for this work is provided by Article 16 of the Stockholm Convention, requiring that parties establish arrangements to provide themselves with comparable monitoring data on POPs listed in the Annexes to the Convention from all regions. The most recent relevant COP decisions are SC-5/18 on the Global Monitoring Plan (GMP), as well as the decisions on listing 10 new substances in the annexes to the Convention, adopted at COP-4 (SC-4/10-19) and COP-5 (SC-5/3).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Under the GMP comparable and representative monitoring data on all listed POPs should be obtained from all regions. According to the GMP implementation plan (document UNEP/POPS/COP.3/23/AMEND after COP.4) data should be derived from: (a) Existing international and regional programmes and activities; (b) Existing national programmes and activities; and (c) National or regional arrangements and activities enhanced or initiated as a function of capacity-building to address regional data gaps. Such capacity building activities are essential to increase active participation of developing country parties in the GMP. Particular challenge is connected with the recent listing of 10 additional substances in the annexes to the Convention. This project is aiming at providing hands-on experience and training in sampling, sample treatment and analysis of the newly listed POPs in the laboratories of the Stockholm Convention Regional Center for Technical Assistance and Transfer of Technologies the Research Centre for Toxic Compounds in the Environment (RECETOX), Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE FUNDED:

- In-laboratory training of experts from developing countries to sample newly listed POPs from air and water (PFOS)
- In laboratory training of experts from developing countries in sample treatment techniques
- In-laboratory training of experts from developing countries to analyze newly listed POPs from air and water (PFOS)

RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED:

- Increased capacity of developing country experts in sampling, sample treatment and analysis of the newly listed POPs in the GMP media air and water (PFOS)
- Increased active participation of developing country parties in the global monitoring plan for POPs

BUDGET [USD] FOR [SPECIFY YEAR(S)]

Travel costs and accommodation of 10 experts	40,000
In-laboratory training of 10 experts, incl. laboratory material)	20,000
TOTAL FUNDS TO BE RAISED FOR PROPOSED ACTIVITIES	60,000
COP APPROVED BUDGET (SV trust fund)	920,000
Funding received (as of 1 March 2013) by EC (ENRTP) and Norway	753,460