Joint Clearing-house Mechanism serving the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions for information exchange

LEGAL BASIS/MANDATE:

Work programme activity #: S10

COP Decisions:

Convention: SYN

- BC-10/29: Enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions and Annex I to the decision
- RO-5/12: Enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions and Annex I to the decision
- SC-5/27: Enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions and Annex I to the decision
- BC/RO/SC.Exc-1/1: Omnibus decision adopted by the Base, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions (Joint services), section III

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Development of a joint clearing-house mechanism based on experience in the development of the Stockholm Convention clearing-house mechanism on POPs, the Rotterdam and Basel Convention information systems and tools. Integration of clearing house mechanism strategies into a single strategy for the three Conventions.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE FUNDED:

- Needs assessment for the Basel and Rotterdam Conventions
- Development of cross-cutting information packages
- Development of a joint clearing-house mechanism
- Maintenance and continuation of the development of the conventions' websites

RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED:

- Improved access to all information relevant to parties' obligations under the three conventions and identification of new opportunities for information sharing and aggregation
- Integrated and user-friendly collaboration environment available for parties and other users
- Integrated systems across the three conventions that facilitate the implementation of the conventions by parties
- Constantly improving websites that meet the parties' requirements and provide useful information to other audiences

BUDGET [USD] BUDGET COMPONENTS Consultant (\$88,800 per year) 177,600 27,600 Sub-contractor (\$13,800 per year) Purchase of expendable items (\$500 per year) 1,000 Purchase of hardware and software (\$11,500 per year) 23,000 Translating and reporting (\$2,000 per year) 4,000 TOTAL FUNDS TO BE RAISED FOR PROPOSED ACTIVITIES 233,200 COP APPROVED BUDGET (BD, RV, SV trust funds) 255,000