

## PROJECT CONCEPT NOTE

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| <b>CONVENTIONS :</b>  |  | <b>PROJECT TITLE :</b>   |                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BC <input type="checkbox"/> RC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SC <input type="checkbox"/> SYN   |  | <b>Scientific support for Parties to the Stockholm Convention (PoW 22) - Support to Parties in eliminating the use of BDEs and their presence in articles</b>  |                            |
| <b>FUNDING OPTIONS:</b>   |  | <b>TYPE / LOCATION</b>   | <b>TARGETED COUNTRIES:</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Funding in full<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partial funding possible  |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Global <input type="checkbox"/> Regional <input type="checkbox"/> National   | Global                     |
| <b>MANDATE</b>  |  |  |                            |
| <b>Convention Article:</b> Articles 3, 4 and 6 and Annex A of the Stockholm Convention.   |  |  |                            |
| <b>Rationale</b>  |  |  |                            |
| <p>TetraBDE and pentaBDE (the main components of commercial pentaBDE) and hexaBDE and heptaBDE (the main components of commercial octaBDE) are listed in annex A to the Convention, with exemptions for recycling of articles containing these chemicals. At its eighth meeting in 2017, the COP evaluated the progress Parties have made towards the goal of eliminating the presence of these BDEs in articles and reviewed the continued need for specific exemptions for these chemicals, as mandated by parts IV and V of Annex A to the Convention. The next review will take place at the tenth meeting of the COP. In addition, decabromodiphenyl ether (decaBDE) was listed in Annex A to the Stockholm Convention in 2017, by decision SC-8/10. The Conference of the Parties also adopted decisions SC-8/13 pertaining to information needs for the review of entries in the register of specific exemptions for decaBDE.</p> <p>The activities under this project will support Parties in understanding the uses of BDEs and their presence in the life cycle of articles and assist Parties from developing countries in implementing approaches for the management of BDEs. Information collected in the course of the project will contribute to reports by the Secretariat to support the review of the continued need for specific exemptions for BDEs by the COP. The guidance materials developed under the current activity will contribute to activity 16 (SC) on training and capacity-building activities to enhance the implementation of the Stockholm Convention.</p> |  |  |                            |
| <b>Outcomes and indicators of achievement</b>   |  |  |                            |
| <b>Outcomes:</b>  |  |  |                            |
| <p>The COP can make informed decisions related to evaluating progress made in the elimination of BDEs and the continued need for exemptions for these chemicals and Parties receive assistance in collecting the necessary information to support the evaluation. Guidance on approaches for managing BDEs in articles and in the recycling and waste stream are made available to Parties from developing countries. Technical content of technical assistance activities related to the elimination of BDEs is developed.</p>   |  |  |                            |
| <b>Indicators of achievement:</b>   |  | <b>Means of verification:</b>  |                            |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information collected and reports developed to support COP in evaluating the progress made towards elimination of BDEs in articles, to review the continued need for the specific exemptions for BDEs;</li> <li>Number of guidance documents and technical assistance materials related to the environmentally sound management of industrial BDEs developed and provided to Parties and other stakeholders.</li> <li>Number of technical assistance activities making use of the guidance documents and materials developed under this project.</li> </ol>  |  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reports submitted to COP meetings for the review of specific exemptions for BDEs.</li> <li>Information related to the review of entries in the register of specific exemptions for decaBDE available on the Convention website.</li> <li>Report of technical assistance activities related to specific exemptions, acceptable purposes and the environmentally sound management of BDEs.</li> </ol> |                            |
| <b>IMPLEMENTATION TIMEFRAME</b>   |  |  |                            |
| Project start date: 01/2018   |  | Project completion date: 12/2018   | Total duration: 12 months  |

| <b>SOCIO-ECONOMIC ASPECTS</b>  |                       |               |
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| <p><b>Sustainable Development Goals:</b> The activities contribute to delivering of the post-2015 development agenda and relevant sustainable development goals, in particular through promoting healthy lives and well-being by environmentally sound management of chemicals and minimizing and ultimately eliminating releases of POPs and related exposure to hazardous chemicals.</p> <p><b>Gender mainstreaming:</b> The activities consider involvement of stakeholders from wide range of groups and take into account gender aspects throughout the planning and implementation phase. The development and implementation of various guidance aims at reducing exposure to hazardous chemicals and thereby contributes to improving the health of vulnerable groups, such as women and children.</p> <p><b>Integrated Approach:</b> The activities contribute to the implementation of the integrated approach to addressing the financing of the sound management of chemicals and wastes in particular through enhancing industry's involvement in information gathering and developing guidance and reports, mainstreaming chemicals and waste issues at the regional and national levels.</p> |                       |               |
| <b>PARTNERS</b>  |                       |               |
| UNEP Chemicals and Waste Branch, Regional Centres of the Basel and Stockholm conventions, UNIDO, NGOs, industry groups.  |                       |               |
| <b>PROPOSED ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 2018-19 [USD]</b>   |                       |               |
| <b>Activity</b>  | <b>Output type</b>    | <b>Budget</b> |
| Support the collection of information to facilitate the review of entries in the register of specific exemptions for decabromodiphenyl ether by the COP  | Guidance documents    | 10,000        |
| Develop guidance on management of BDEs in articles in developing countries   | BDE guidance document | 20,000        |
| Organize consultative meeting to validate the guidance on management of BDEs in articles in developing countries   | Expert meeting        | 30,000        |
| <b>DIRECT PROJECT COST OPERATIONAL BUDGET</b>  |                       | <b>60,000</b> |
| <i>Programme Support Costs (PSC) 13%</i>   |                       | <i>7,800</i>  |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL BUDGET</b>  |                       | <b>67,800</b> |