

Convention: RC	Support for participation of developing countries at COP-6 of the Rotterdam Convention	
LEGAL BASIS/MANDATE:		
Work programme activity #: 1		
BACKGROUND INFORMATION:		
The purpose of this activity is to ensure representation of the developing countries and countries with economies in transition at the 6th meeting of the Conference of the Parties. An important activity of the COP will be establishing the work programme for 2014/2015. The contribution will assist these Parties to actively participate in the discussions at COP 6 and make their input in the new programme of activities. This will ensure a more balanced outcome of COP 6 and ensure that developing country views are reflected in the decisions thereof.		
PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE FUNDED:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding for travel, including air tickets and Daily Subsistence Allowances (DSA), will provide for approximately 85 participants to attend COP 6. Financial support will be made available for one participant from each Party that is not a member of the OECD or the EU 		
RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Having regionally agreed positions is very important and the participants will be given time to meet and consolidate their positions as regions. There will be opportunities at the COP for the developed and donor countries to discuss implementation issues with the participants from the developing countries and countries with economies in transition. Participants will be able to participate in side-events. 		
BUDGET [USD]		
<i>Participants travel (air tickets and DSA)</i>		<i>500,000</i>
	APPROVED BUDGET (RV trust fund)	500,000
	Funding received (as of 1 March 2013) by EC (ENRTP), Kemi and Switzerland	287,395