

Feedback from Participants

« The reporting system is user friendly, convenient and very complete »

« The presentation was very clear and concise and a helpful tool »

« Technical support before and during the webinar was efficient and well organised »

« A very good tool for exchange of information »

« Close contact with the Secretariat, it is much more personal and inviting »

« Very structured, able to participate through chat, and from a far away country, saves a lot of money ! »



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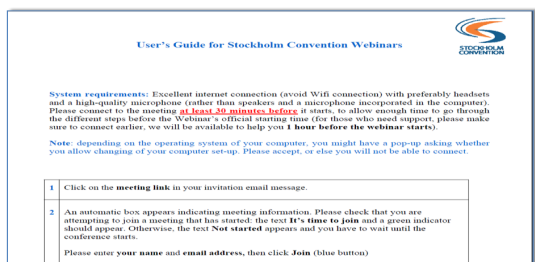
Why Webinars ?

Webinars are a complement to the face-to face training activities organized by the Secretariat of the Stockholm Convention. Through tailored information and knowledge exchange, the POPs Webinars allow for an interactive dialogue between the Secretariat, experts and government officials involved in the implementation and enforcement of the Convention. By doing so, the Secretariat aims at supporting Parties in addressing some of the challenges they may face when implementing the Convention. The POPs Webinars series also offers an opportunity to reach out to a wider network of stakeholders engaged in Convention matters and to the general public.



Equipment Needed

Webex is the software that is being used to conduct the POPs Webinars. The following equipment is necessary when joining a webinar:



- ◆ Excellent internet connection (avoid Wifi connection)
- ◆ Headsets with a high-quality microphone
- ◆ A webcam (optional)
- ◆ The User Guide developed by the Secretariat (sent upon registration and available on the website)

Objectives

The overall goal of the POPs Webinars is to raise awareness, enhance understanding, and scale up learning related to the implementation of the Stockholm Convention. Through the use of teleconferencing technology, the series seeks to:

- ◆ Assist governmental representatives in gaining knowledge and exchanging information on key issues pertaining to the implementation of the Convention
- ◆ Reach out to a wider network of stakeholders engaged in matters relevant to the Convention and to the general public

Target Audience

The POPs Webinars target the following groups:

- ◆ Official Contact Points and National Focal Points nominated by their countries within the framework of the Convention
- ◆ Other Government representatives concerned with the development and implementation of the Stockholm Convention
- ◆ Stakeholders, such as NGOs, academia and the private sector, concerned with the development and implementation of the Stockholm Convention, e.g. members of national POPs coordinating committees
- ◆ Experts on any particular issue of relevance to the Stockholm Convention
- ◆ The general public who is interested in learning more about the Convention

Structure and calendar

Through internet-based technologies, the Secretariat will connect the national teams or the individual participants that have previously registered for a particular webinar and a specific time slot.

Each session lasts approximately one hour and will be structured as follows:

- ◆ Introduction and presentation of participants (5')
- ◆ Presentation(s) by the Secretariat and experts on the selected themes (25')
- ◆ Questions and discussions (25')
- ◆ Conclusion (5')

Upcoming Webinars

Please find more information on the schedule of planned Webinars at:

<http://chm.pops.int/webinars>.

Other Webinars to be scheduled in the next six months are:

POPs in articles (POPs-free Programme), Preparing for the 7th meeting of the POPRC/Briefing on the outcomes, Legal issues, Financial mechanism, Updating national inventories on unintentional POPs, Process for reviewing and updating NIPs, Integrated Vector Management (IVM) and the deployment of alternatives to DDT, How to submit proposals for listing new chemicals in the Stockholm Convention, Briefing on the Basel Convention COP,