

## **5. Toolkit for Identification and Quantification of Releases of Dioxins, Furans and Other Unintentional Persistent Organic Pollutants and guidelines and guidance on best available techniques and best environmental practices**

### Background:

In decision SC-8/6, the Conference of the Parties, among other things, invited Parties and others to submit relevant information to the Secretariat for consideration by the experts on the Toolkit and on best available techniques (BAT) and best environmental practices (BEP) in the review and updating of the Toolkit and of the guidelines and guidance, in accordance with the adopted workplan and terms of reference<sup>1</sup>.<sup>2</sup> It also invited Parties and others to confirm the availability of the current experts in the joint Toolkit and BAT and BEP expert roster and to nominate new experts with expertise related to the POPs listed in Annex A, B or C to the Convention to the joint roster.

### Follow-up:

	<b>Calls for information</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Methods of submission</b>	<b>Deadlines for submission</b>
(a)	Parties and others are invited to submit information relevant to the review and updating of the Toolkit and BAT and BEP guidelines and guidance to the Secretariat for consideration by the experts.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parties</li> <li>• Others</li> </ul>	Please make submissions to the Secretariat via the contact point provided below.	According to the workplan adopted by decision SC-8/6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>31 May 2017</b> for submission of information specified in the workplan<sup>2</sup>;</li> <li>• <b>31 July 2018</b> for submission of comments on draft updated guidance and/or draft new guidance to be made available on the Convention website by 29 June 2018.</li> <li>• <b>19 October 2018</b> for submission of comments on revised draft updated guidance and/or draft new guidance to be made available on the Convention website by 28 September 2018.</li> </ul>
(b)	Parties and others are invited to confirm the availability of the current experts in the joint Toolkit and BAT and BEP expert roster and to nominate new experts to the joint roster.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parties</li> <li>• Others</li> </ul>	Please make submissions to the Secretariat via the contact point provided below.	The joint Toolkit and BAT and BEP expert roster is open for nominations at all times.

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<sup>1</sup>See decision SC-8/6, annexes I and II.

<sup>2</sup> Relevant information to be submitted includes:

- Information relevant to the identification and quantification of releases of, and on BAT and BEP, relevant to the POPs listed in Annex C, in particular those listed in the Convention since 2009, i.e. pentachlorobenzene, polychlorinated naphthalenes and hexachlorobutadiene;
- Information on BAT and BEP relevant to the POPs listed in Annexes A or B, in particular those listed in the Convention since 2009, i.e. PFOS, its salts and PFOSF, polybrominated diphenyl ethers, hexabromocyclododecane, pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters, hexachlorobutadiene, decabromodiphenyl ether and short-chain chlorinated paraffins;
- Information relevant to the remediation of contaminated sites.