

## **Annex XIII: Possible elements of a procedure for updating the guidelines and guidance on BAT&BEP**

### **General tasks**

- Enhancement of the guidelines to identify and more fully address needs and circumstances of developing countries and regions, particularly with respect to sources of relevance to developing countries of substances listed in Annex C to the Convention;
- Provision of additional information on available alternatives, including indigenous ones, and on the use of substitute or modified materials, products and processes, with respect to Annex C sources;
- Evaluation of emerging technologies and technology improvement
- Harmonization with the Toolkit review and updating process
- Evaluate possible implications after new POPs are listed in Annex C
- Optimize synergies with other efforts such as mercury and GHG reduction through BAT&BEP (avoid negative effects on releases of other pollutants while taking mitigation measures)
- Other as taken from the questionnaires;
- Report to the Conference of the Parties

### **Stakeholders**

- Joint Expert roster
- Ask for additional nominations with specific BAT&BEP expertise
- Procedure as in the Toolkit process

### **Procedures**

- Party driven, expert panel structure
- Secretariat is organizing and facilitating
- Parties, NGOs and UN organizations will be invited to provide relevant information through their experts or directly to the Secretariat
- The information will be summarized and presented to the experts
- Synergies with other activities

### **Activities/Tasks**

- Analyze and evaluate available information incl. the current edition of the BAT&BEP guidelines;
- Identify new information and gaps, agree on priorities, and propose activities for improvement;
- Identify BAT&BEP options for small-scale and artisan processes;
- Elaborate a detailed workplan and timetable for the guidelines revision and updating process for the forthcoming period, based on the above
- Set up the necessary organizational structure (expert panels)
- Agree on data quality criteria for validation of data/information, in order to ensure that only scientifically sound information is included in the guidelines
- Validate information and data to be included in the guidelines according to the agreed data quality criteria and prepare revised/new guidelines texts
- Assess training and capacity-building needs for Parties to use the guidelines and to implement requirements under Article 5
- The following activities will be further promoted:
  - Sharing and exchanging information via the clearing-house mechanism;
  - Local initiatives for data generation and collection;
  - Joint activities and projects between developed and developing countries as well as south-south cooperation;
  - Synergies between activities related to Article 5 and Annex C (release inventories and BAT/BEP)
  - Raising awareness on the guidelines.

### **Periodicity**

- Yearly expert meetings integrated with the Toolkit meeting
- Intersessional work in task teams

### **Relation to the Toolkit review and update process**

- Integrated

### **Relation to activities under international treaties controlling other pollutants (GHG, HM, Hg etc.)**

- Harmonized approach