

5. **Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of plastic wastes**

Decision: BC-15/10: Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of plastic wastes

Background:

The Conference of the Parties underscores the importance of the timely updating of the technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of plastic wastes and noted the progress achieved during the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties towards their finalization, as reflected in the draft updated technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of plastic wastes.¹

The Conference of the Parties decided to extend the mandate of the small intersessional working group established pursuant to paragraph 20 of decision BC-14/13. It invited the Governments of China, Japan and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, as co-lead countries, in consultation with the small intersessional working group, to prepare a further updated version of the technical guidelines, taking into account the discussion during the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and the general comments and textual proposals to be received during the intersessional period, for consideration by the Open-ended Working Group at its thirteenth meeting.

Follow-up:

	Call for information	Respondents	Deadlines for submission
(a)	Parties and observers are invited to nominate additional experts to participate in the small intersessional working group, and to inform the Secretariat of their nominations;	Parties Observers	31 July 2022
(b)	Parties and observers are invited to submit general comments and textual proposals on the draft updated technical guidelines, referring to specific paragraphs and tables, together with related rationales, if possible, and as appropriate.	Parties Observers	16 September 2022

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¹ UNEP/CHW.15/6/Add.7/Rev.1.