

## 9. Further consideration of plastic waste

Decision: BC-15/15: Further consideration of plastic waste

Background:

The Conference of the Parties decided to update the technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of used and waste pneumatic tyres.<sup>1</sup> It also decided to establish a small intersessional working group, operating by electronic means and, subject to the availability of resources, through face-to-face meetings, to undertake the updating of the guidelines.

The Conference of the Parties invited Parties and others to provide comments to the Secretariat on whether technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of rubber wastes (entry B3040) and waste parings and scrap of rubber (entry B3080) should be developed. The Secretariat was requested to prepare a compilation of the comments received for consideration by the Open-ended Working Group at its thirteenth meeting.

It also invited Parties and others to provide comments to the Secretariat on possible further activities that could be conducted under the Basel Convention in response to developments in scientific knowledge and environmental information related to plastic waste as a source of land pollution, marine plastic litter and microplastics.<sup>2</sup> The Secretariat was requested to make available the comments received on the website of the Convention, and to suggest possible further activities that could be conducted under the Convention in response to developments in scientific knowledge and environmental information and health impacts related to plastic waste as a source of land pollution, marine plastic litter and microplastics, taking into consideration the comments received and the work undertaken in follow-up to UNEA resolution 5/14 entitled “End plastic pollution: towards an international legally binding instrument”, as appropriate, for consideration by the Open-ended Working Group at its thirteenth meeting and by the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting.

Follow-up:

	<b>Call for information</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Deadlines for submission</b>
(a)	Parties are invited to consider serving as lead countries for the updating of the technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of used and waste pneumatic tyres and to inform the Secretariat of their willingness to do so;	Parties	<b>31 July 2022</b>
(b)	Parties and others are invited to nominate experts to participate in the small intersessional working group and to inform the Secretariat of their nominations;	Parties Others	<b>31 July 2022</b>
(c)	Parties and others are invited to provide comments on whether technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of rubber wastes (entry B3040) and waste parings and scrap of rubber (entry B3080) should be developed;	Parties Others	<b>31 October 2022</b>
(d)	Parties and others are invited to provide comments on possible further activities that could be conducted under the Basel Convention in response to developments in scientific knowledge and environmental information related to plastic waste as a source of land pollution, marine plastic litter and microplastics.	Parties Others	<b>31 October 2022</b>

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<sup>1</sup> UNEP/CHW.10/6/Add.1/Rev.1, annex.

<sup>2</sup> UNEP/CHW.15/INF/10.