

Technical Assistance and
Capacity-Building through
the implementation of pilot
projects by the regional
centres under the Basel and
Stockholm Conventions
(Small Grant Programme –
SGP)

Small Grant Programme through Regional Centre under the Basel and Stockholm Conventions

Background

Small Grant Programme (SGP) was established to support the developing country parties to implement their obligations under the conventions through the Basel and Stockholm Convention regional centres, particularly by providing opportunity to the regional centres to implement their business plans or workplans. Initiated under the Stockholm Convention in 2009, the activity since 2011 was expanded to cover the implementation of the Basel Convention to synergize implementation of both Conventions at regional and national levels. Since then several projects have been implemented by the regional centres under this programme.

Objective

SGP aims at promoting a competitive sense among the Centres with the aim to ensure that activities and projects assisting eligible Parties to meet their obligations under the Basel and Stockholm Convention are implemented by Regional Centres so that they get an opportunity to implement selected activities from their business plans/workplans.

Further, the projects under this programme are expected to provide the Regional Centres the possibility to:

- Leverage larger projects (e.g. Medium- or Full-Sized GEF projects)
- Provide demonstrative effect and are reproducible
- Identify synergies among MEAs within the chemicals cluster
- Promoting partnership with relevant IGOs

Implementation modality

Basel and Stockholm Convention Regional Centres are invited to submit to the Secretariat, concise project proposals in the format provided by the Secretariat by a given deadline. Eligible project proposals received before the deadline will be assessed by an internal evaluation committee in a transparent, efficient and competitive manner. The funds will be awarded (not more than USD 50,000/project) to the best project proposals.

Selected projects will be implemented by the Regional Centres directly. The projects can be prepared and implemented either by one or more than one Centres.

In addition to the obligation to provide financial and activity reports to the Conference of the Parties, the Centres, as set out in the TOR, will also report to donors on the progress of implementation of the projects funded under these arrangements, which includes inception, progress and project completion reports.

Funding Criteria

When reviewing the project proposals, the evaluating committee mentioned above will take into account the following:

- a) Identified priorities in the national implementation plan (NIP) of the Parties included in the project
- b) The expertise of the centre;
- c) Should be from the Centre's agreed business plan/work plan;
- d) Activities focused for the implementation of the Convention among the disadvantaged group of Parties; for example, Parties from the sub-Saharan Africa and LDCs, etc;
- e) Project milestones and success indicators are clearly defined and tangible;
- f) Projects having high impact with relatively low investment;
- g) Projects to be completed within 9 months;

Budget:

US\$50,000 (maximum for a project)

Co-financing: 20% is expected to be mobilized in-kind by interested Regional and Subregional Centres

The project application templates can be downloaded from the Conventions' home page
<http://chm.pops.int/Partners/RegionalCentres/SmallGrantProjects/tabid/630/Default.aspx>
<http://www.basel.int/Partners/RegionalCentres/SamllGrantProgramme/tabid/5304/Default.aspx>

Overview of the projects implemented under the Regional Centre Small Grants Programme for technical assistance and capacity building

Projects receiving funding under SGP in 2009

Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Technical and practical training for enhanced response to the accidental releases of hazardous chemicals including POPs under the Stockholm Convention to mid-level or higher professionals from the GRULAC region
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Brazil (SCRC Brazil)

SCRC Brazil, hosted by Companhia Ambiental do Estado de Sao Paulo (CETESB) in Sao Paulo, implemented this project in 2010. Under this project, thirty mid-level professional participants from Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Mexico and Uruguay received a 5-day training comprising practical, theoretical and simulation exercises on handling of the chemical spillage and dealing with the chemical emergency situations. The centre organized the training workshop from 26 to 29 April 2010 in the premise of the centre in Sao Paulo. The workshop was covered by the official newspaper of the Sao Paulo Government and was also shown in one of the most important television channels of Brazil and Latin America. Apart from the direct benefit to the participating Parties, the training materials and the course modules could also be replicated in other regions for trainings on this issue.



Cost:
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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Training workshop on updating the National Implementation Plans integrating nine new POPs
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Algeria (SCRC Algeria)

SCRC Algeria, hosted by National Centre for Cleaner Technologies Production (NCCTP) in Algiers, implemented this project in 2010. Under this project, a total of eighteen technical experts and the Stockholm Convention Official Contact Points from Algeria, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger and Tunisia were trained on the process of review and updating of the NIPs to incorporate the newly added POPs to the Convention in 2009. The training workshop was held from 10 to 13 May 2010 in Algiers.



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Projects receiving funding under SGP in 2010

Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Latin American and Caribbean POPs contaminated sites Training Course: Identification, Assessment and Management
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Brazil (SCRC Brazil)

SCRC Brazil hosted by Companhia Ambiental do Estado de Sao Paulo (CETESB), Brazil implemented this project from 21 to 24 February 2011. Thirty participants from eleven countries namely, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela received the training. During the training the participants learned about the technical and administrative procedures for inventorying and managing the contaminated sites with POPs, which was one of the main needs and priorities identified in the NIPs of the GRULAC countries. Among others, the training helped participants in acquiring, expanding and updating knowledge on the concepts of land and groundwater pollution, the priority sources and monitoring; legal aspects; management procedures for contaminated sites; identification of areas with potential contamination and preliminary assessment; confirmatory and detailed investigation; risk assessment and remediation techniques; quality management of soil and groundwater.



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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Capacity Building Workshop as a base for the Development of the Ambient Air Monitoring Network of POPs including the New POPs, in the Region of West Asia
Jointly implemented by Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Czech Republic (SCRC Czech Republic) and Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Kuwait (SCRC Kuwait).

The workshop was organized by SCRC Kuwait which is hosted by the Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research (KISR) in collaboration with the SCRC Czech Republic which is hosted by Research Centre for Toxic Compounds in the Environment (RECETOX), Czech Republic. The workshop was held in Kuwait City during the period 26-28 March 2012. The main objective of the workshop was to set the scene for the establishment of a regional monitoring network for POPs in ambient air. The workshop was attended by twenty five participants, which included eight Stockholm Convention party representatives (Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman, Lebanon and Turkey), two from non-party representatives (Saudi Arabia) and an intergovernmental organization representative from the Regional Organization for the Conservation of the Environment of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden (PERSGA), in addition to resource persons from KISR and RECETOX.



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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Regional Training Workshop on integrated vector management (IVM) as an alternative approach to the use of DDT for malaria control
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Kenya (SCRC Kenya)

Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Kenya hosted by International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE), organized a 10-day training workshop from March 28 to 7 April 2011 for 8 participants from 4 countries in the eastern and southern African region who are public health and environmental health specialists in their countries. The main objective of the workshop was to strengthen countries capacity in line with the Global Alliance mission of developing alternatives to DDT and to provide technical skills on integrated vector management as an alternative approach to use of harmful chemicals for indoor residual spraying. The meeting was a follow up of the 7 – 11 June 2010 meeting held at the same venue. Whereas the same participants from 5 African countries, instead of the previous seven, were invited in 2011, those from Uganda did not participate.



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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Capacity building for minimization of Brominated Flame Retardant (BFR) emissions from e-waste

Basel Convention Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific (BCRC China)/Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in China (SCRC China)
The Regional Workshop on Capacity Building of Polibrominated Diphenyl Ethers (PBDEs) Emissions Reduction from E-waste was held in Guangzhou, China from 31 May to 2 June 2011. Twenty five participants from Cambodia, China, Mongolia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Philippines and Sri Lanka attended the workshop. In addition to the resource persons from the Regional Centre, Hong Kong Baptist University, Tsinghua University, Institute of Flame retardant of China, Kingfa Sci & Tech. Co. Ltd. Contributed to the workshop. The workshop discussed on the status of the electronic waste and the PBDE management in each of the participating countries. Various universities and the private sector in china shared their knowledge and practice in dealing with the issues. One of the outcomes of the workshop was the development of a draft regional strategy framework on environmentally sound management of PBDEs and Project Identification Form (PIF) on subregional action plan.



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Projects receiving funding under SGP in 2011

Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Capacity building for environmentally sound management of Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) oil and PCBs contaminated equipment at ship breaking yard, Alang, Gujarat, India
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in India (SCRC India)

The capacity building for sound management of PCB waste including a field visit of a ship breaking yard was organized by SCRC India which is hosted by National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI) from 21 to 29 November 2011. Participated by 13 participants from India, Sri Lanka, Nepal and the Philippines shared the situation of PCB waste in their countries. During the workshop the participants were given training on sampling and various analyzing techniques.



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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Training and specialization programme in planning, management and evaluation to improve or build capacities on the implementation of agreements on chemicals
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Panama (SCRC Panama)

SCRC Panama, which is hosted by Centro de Investigación e Información de Medicamentos y Tóxicos (CIMET) implemented the Project during November 2011 to November 2012. The Project comprised development of curriculum, teaching materials and the implementation of an online graduate programme on Environmental Monitoring (Surveillance). The course was offered to focal points and technical personnels working in various government agencies in the region. A total of 40 participants from Belize, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, and Uruguay which are responsible to implement various international agreement on chemicals including Basel, Rotterdam and the Stockholm Conventions received various modules of the online training. Of which 7 participants received advanced level of training while 14 received specialized programme and remaining 20 received the seminars on the issue.

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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Strengthening the capacity of Croatia to monitor and control the transboundary movements of chemicals and hazardous wastes

Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for Central Europe (BCRC Slovakia), Bratislava

The project "Strengthening the capacity of Croatia, Montenegro and Serbia to monitor and control the transboundary movement of chemicals and hazardous waste" was implemented by BCRC Slovakia during March to December 2011. The project focused on assessment of the status of the management and cooperation among three multilateral environmental agreements such as Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm in selected countries, i.e, Croatia, Montenegro and Serbia. The project also included the proposal how to strengthen this cooperation and coordination at a national level through a proposed national joint action plan with wider national consultations. The action plans, the outcomes of the projects are in various stages of implementation.

Cost:
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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Strengthening activities of the civil society in the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions

Basel and Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Russian Federation (BCRC/SCRC Russian Federation)

The project “Strengthening activities of the civil society in the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions” was implemented by Basel and Stockholm Convention Regional Centre hosted by “Centre for International Projects, Autonomous Nonprofit Organization” from 23 to 25 August 2011 in Moscow. The workshop was attended by 27 participants representing state authorities in the field of environment protection and non-governmental organizations from the Republics of Azerbaijan, Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Kyrgyz Republic, Russian Federation and Ukraine. Various aspects relating to joint implementation of three Conventions were discussed and the participants agreed to work more closely by involving civil society groups in all the aspects of implementation of Conventions. They also agreed to follow up on the ratification of the 3 Conventions in their region and to put efforts to develop policy and regulatory instrument for coordinated implementation of three Conventions in their respective countries those already parties to the Conventions.



Cost:
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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Strengthening national capacity in controlling newly listed POPs in Algeria

Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Spain (SCRC Spain), Barcelona

Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Spain hosted by Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production and Mediterranean Action Plan located in Barcelona in collaboration with the Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Algeria organized a capacity building training workshop which was held in Algiers from 27 to 28 June 2012. Fifty local participants representing various sectors including customs officials participated in the workshop. The outcome of the project included tailoring of the existing materials produced by various international agencies such as World Customs Organization and the Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs) including the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions for custom officials on how to deal with hazardous chemical substance moving through the national borders.



Cost:
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Projects receiving funding under the SGP in 2012

Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Promotion of technical assistance and technology transfer in Asia and the Pacific

Basel Convention Regional Centre/ Stockholm Conventions regional centre in China (BCRC/ SCRC China)

The project entitled "Promotion of technical assistance and technology transfer in Asia and the Pacific" was implemented by the centre during July to December 2013 in China. Following 7 countries in Asia were selected for the project: Cambodia, Cook Islands, DPR Korea, Mongolia, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam. In addition to the participants from government institution more than 10 enterprises that are involved in POPs and hazardous wastes monitoring, analysis and identification also participated the regional project. The outcomes of the project include the establishment of public private partnership platform for technical assistance and technology transfer on the management of chemical and hazardous wastes. 3 out of 7 participating countries and 8 private companies signed an agreement to establish such a platform for technical assistance and technology transfer in a sustainable manner.



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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Capacity building on hazardous waste and promotion of BAT and BEP of national departmental bodies

Basel Convention Coordinating Centre/ Stockholm Conventions Regional Centre in Uruguay (BCCC/ SCRC Uruguay)

Under the project, the centre identified the right manuals to be used by municipal authorities on the management of hazardous wastes and translated them into local languages. A face to face training programme was conducted in San Jose, Costa Rica in which municipal authorities from Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Dominican Republic, Panama and Paraguay participated and benefitted.



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Projects receiving funding under the SGP in 2013

Title of the project:

Assessing the Status of E-waste Recycling in Selected Countries in the Asia-Pacific Region and Facilitating the Environmentally Sound Management of E-waste

Implementing Centre:

Basel Convention Regional Centre/ Stockholm Conventions regional centre in China (BCRC/ SCRC China)

Objectives and activities:

This project reviewed existing laws, regulations, technologies and facilities and actual ESM policies based on the national reports from the selected seven Asian countries (China, India, Mongolia, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, Pakistan, Cambodia) to facilitate a discussion with regards to ESM standards. The review concluded that the economic and technical levels varied considerably in the countries of study. A short term action recommended was that waste subject to treatment and recycling properly flow to facilities which are capable of conducting operations in ESM manner. It was observed that flexible ESM standards should be promoted to avoid negatively impacting the recycling market in developing countries.



Cost:

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Title of the project:

Development of a Waste Tyre Management System for the Caribbean Region (CWTMS Project)

Implementing Centre:

Basel Convention Regional Centre for the Caribbean Region (BCRC Caribbean)

Objectives and activities:

The work performed under this project was the first of its kind being performed in the Caribbean and also the first looking solely at the waste tyre stream. It sought to collect and analyse qualitative and quantitative data and information applicable to waste tyres in each of the project countries. This included the compilation and analysis of trade data (imports and exports) of tyres throughout the region as well as identification of the existing stockpiles of waste tyres. It also entailed the collection of information from various stakeholders involved in the management of tyres in each of the project countries. This project documented and assessed the generation and stockpiling of this waste stream as well as the current management options and strategies developed and employed by the Caribbean Parties to the Basel Convention in order to dispose of and reuse and/or recycle waste tyres. Furthermore, it assesses some of the technology options that are available for use by the Caribbean countries for their treatment of these wastes. The project also resulted in the development recommendations and a strategy to support the environmentally sound management (ESM) of waste tyres in the Caribbean.

Cost:

US\$50,000 (donor: Norway)

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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Improved regional management of used lead-acid batteries (ULABs) in the Pacific

Basel Convention Regional Centre for the Pacific Islands/SPREP

ULABs are probably the most hazardous (and most widely found) of the common wastes that are present today in remote islands in the Pacific. No industrial processing to physically recycle old batteries exists in any of the countries visited; nor is there any local production of lead-acid batteries in any of these countries. This project had the main purpose of completing 4 missions to provide training during late 2014 and early 2015 to government and private sector officials involved in the export of ULAB to Tonga, Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI), and Kiribati.



Cost:
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Title of the project:
Implementing Centre:
Objectives and activities:

Technical and practical training course on POPs and mercury analysis on environmental matrices for English Speaking SIDS from Latin America and the Caribbean Region
Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Brazil (SCRC Brazil)

As part of this project, a technical and practical training course on POPs and mercury analysis was conducted in Spanish during December 2014 with participants from Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, México and Panama. A similar course was held in English during October 2014 with participants from Barbados, Belize, Saint Lucia and Suriname. These training courses improved participants knowledge on setting up the infrastructure and laboratories for POPs and Mercury analysis in environmental and biological samples.



Cost:
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Title of the project: **Enhancing the use of the GMP electronic tool and increasing global data management and use**

Implementing Centre: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Czech Republic (SCRC Czech Rep/RECETOX)

Objectives and activities: This project involved the completion of two activities. The first was the preparation of training materials for the Global Monitoring Plan (GMP) electronic tool – the Global Monitoring Plan Data Warehouse. Objective of the prepared training materials was to provide a set of complementing documents explaining the background, mandate, other available background documentation and then provide a practical support (online or offline) to enhance understanding of the electronic tool and facilitate its use by as wide stakeholder group as possible as well as clarify any questions there may be. Training and capacity building activities were conducted as a series of webinars to the target audience of Stockholm Convention Focal points, experts involved in POP monitoring activities, SC Regional Centre monitoring experts, and other stakeholders interested in POP monitoring. Participants from regions included 5 from GRULAC, 8 from Africa, 3 from the Pacific Islands, 1 from WEOG, and 1 from Asia.

Cost: US\$ 34,356 (donor: Norway)

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Title of the project: **Supporting Green Entrepreneurs for a POPs free Mediterranean**

Implementing Centre: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Spain (SCRC Spain/SCP-RAC)

Objectives and activities: The overall objective of the project was to actively contribute to the phasing out of POPs and toxic chemicals in the products' lifecycle by targeting green entrepreneurs. A two-day course was organized in November 2014 in Alger, Algeria. The course was conducted in English with simultaneous translation into French. More than 40 participants were trained during two productive days, in which international experts presented green alternatives to hazardous chemicals (in particular Persistent Organic Pollutants, POPs) and shared key tools for the creation of a competitive eco-business. The participants, a great mix of sectors and background, showed an outstanding level of commitment and expertise on the training-related topic, in particular in the field of environment, entrepreneurship and human health.



Cost: US\$ 35,000 (donor: Norway)

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Title of the project: **Capacity-building to Promote Synergies on the Coordinated Implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions at the National Level in El Salvador, Central America and Beyond**

Implementing Centre: Basel Convention Regional Centre for the Central America Sub-region including Mexico in El Salvador (BCRC-CAM)

Objectives and activities: This project was undertaken as a synergies project with the main achievements being a regional workshop held in October 2014, from which a revised proposal for a National Strategy for ESM of Chemicals and Hazardous Wastes and Other Wastes for El Salvador. Further to this activity, capacity was developed in relevant authorities in El Salvador through a second National Workshop (held in October 2014). The national strategy created was compatible with the Strategic Approach to Chemicals Management (SAICM), the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, and the Basel, Rotterdam, and Stockholm Conventions. Additionally, the Minamata Convention and Aarhus Convention were considered, although they have not been ratified by El Salvador.



Cost: US\$50 000 (Donor: EU)

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Title of the project: **Capacity building to promote synergies on the coordinated implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions in Belarus, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Moldova**

Implementing Centre: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Central Europe in Slovakia

Objectives and activities: The general project goal was to assist three selected countries from the Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) with implementation of synergy decision adopted by Conference of Parties of all three Conventions. Meeting were held in Belarus in June 2014, Macedonia in April 2014, and Moldova in May 2014. In Belarus, a detailed description and assessment of the current situation of implementing the conventions was undertaken with special focus on the legal status in waste and chemical management and related institutional structure. Former Yugoslav Republic of Moldova built on previous projects to develop a scheme for national coordination. Moldova created an Action Plan on sound management of chemicals for the period of 2016-2020.



Cost: US\$46,500 (EU)

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Title of the project: **Capacity building for promoting synergistic implementation of Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions in Sri Lanka**

Implementing Centre: CSIR-National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (CSIR-NEERI), Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in India (SCRC India)

Objectives and activities: This project was undertaken to assess the current situation on the implementation of the BRS Conventions in Sri Lanka and develop capacity in relevant authorities. Through a workshop held in October 2014, priorities were identified and ranked according to immediate needs and mid/log term needs. The knowledge gained through this process will enable national authorities of Sri Lanka to review and update the National Implementation Plan (NIP).



Cost: US\$50,000 (Donor: EU)

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Projects receiving funding under the SGP in 2018

Title of the project: **Dissemination and adaptation of the guidelines of the methodology of recycling, reuse, refurbishment and environmentally sound disposal of WEEE**

Implementing Centre: Basel Convention Regional Centre and Stockholm Convention Regional Centre located in Senegal for French speaking African countries (BCC-SCRC Senegal)

Objectives and activities: Under the project, BCRC-SCRC Senegal implemented following activities: Training of network administrators of following countries: Cot d'Ivoire, Congo (DR), Rwanda, Morocco, Togo and Senegal held; online training modules on e-waste developed; online training of focal points held; networking on e-waste solution/promoting action networks is available.



Cost: US\$ 45,000 (Norway)

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Title of the project: **Plastic waste management and flow research of selected Asia and Pacific countries towards its environmentally soundly management**

Implementing Centre: Basel Convention Regional Centre and Stockholm Convention Regional Centre located in China (BCC-SCRC China)

Objectives and activities: *Ongoing*

Cost: US\$ 45,000 (Norway)

For more information:

Criteria for the selection of projects under the small grants

The projects under the small grants were selected based on the following criteria:

- h) The project includes priorities identified in the national implementation plans and national action plans of the parties involved in the project;
- i) The project suits the expertise of the proposing centre;
- j) The project activities are reflected in the work plan or business plan of the proposing centre;
- k) The project focuses on capacity-building of the beneficiary parties;
- l) The project milestones and indicators of success are clearly defined and tangible;
- m) The project is cost effective, it has high impact with relatively low cost;
- n) The project can be completed within 9 months;
- o) The project proposals are consistent with the guidance to the financial mechanism of the Conventions;
- p) The project serves as a gateway to larger projects;
- q) The project has potential to be replicated in other regions or countries;
- r) The project promotes synergies among multilateral environmental agreements within the chemicals cluster.

List of remaining project proposals received by the Secretariat

Proposals received but not selected for funding in 2009

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Africa: Basel Convention Regional Centre for French African countries (BCRC Senegal), Dakar	Demonstration of a regional approach to environmentally sound management of PCB liquid wastes and transformers and capacitors containing PCBs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updating inventory of PCBs wastes (oil and equipment) and assisting Parties in the development of a regulatory framework on PCBs. 	633,985
Latin America and the Caribbean: Companhia Ambiental do Estado de Sao Paulo (CETESB), Sao Paulo, Brazil	Implementation of the CETESB/regional network on POPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrating the information relating to POPs generated by CETESB on the CETESB/ Stockholm Convention site. • Translation of the information in the CETESB network into English and Spanish. • Integration of the above mentioned website with other networks and virtual libraries. 	50,000
Latin America and the Caribbean: Companhia Ambiental do Estado de Sao Paulo (CETESB), Sao Paulo, Brazil	A Latin American and the Caribbean regional workshop about synergies among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions and SAICM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A 4-day workshop for the focal points of all three Conventions including the centres of the region on issues including wastes, technical guidelines, identification of joint projects on joint capacity building, identification of funding agencies, etc. 	50,438
Western Europe and others: Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production, Mediterranean Action Plan (RAC-CP), Barcelona	Best available techniques electronic training tool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of interactive electronic training tool on BAT and BEP. It will be available on the web and on CD-ROM. 	50,000

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Western Europe and others: Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production, Mediterranean Action Plan (RAC-CP), Barcelona	MEDCLEAN files under the Stockholm Convention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparing 16 Medclean files with a description of practical actions for pollution control measures already implemented in some Mediterranean enterprises. 	49,416
Western Europe and others: Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production, Mediterranean Action Plan (RAC-CP), Barcelona	Mediterranean workshop on used lubricant oils: collection and treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop to promote the transfer of knowledge and experience in terms of collection and treatment of used oils including developing the legislative framework 	48,200
A joint proposal submitted by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research Centre for Toxic Compounds in the Environment (RECETOX), Brno, Czech Republic in collaboration with Basel Convention Regional Centre (BCRC Iran), Tehran Centre for International Projects (ANO-CIP), Moscow Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research (KISR), Kuwait City Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for Capacity Building and Transfer of Technology (SCRC China), Beijing 	Capacity-Building for Ambient Air Monitoring of Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in West, Central and South Asia and Eastern Europe Regions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two workshops for capacity building of the 26 Parties mainly of Asia on ambient POPs monitoring. 	50,000

Proposals received but not selected for funding in 2010

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Africa: National Centre for Cleaner Technologies Production (NCCTP), Algiers	Regional Workshop for Capacity Building to implement Article 5 under the Stockholm Convention and using Guidelines on Best Available Technique (BAT) and Provisional Guidance on Best Environmental Practices (BEP) to Reduce or Eliminate Releases of Unintentional POPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A workshop to exchange experience on the management of unintentional POPs, and improve knowledge on landfill sites and industrial processes by presentations of experts from regional centers. Improve knowledge on the possibilities and benefits of BAT and BEP to reduce or eliminate releases of unintentional POPs. 	40,000
Latin America and the Caribbean: Companhia Ambiental do Estado de Sao Paulo (CETESB), Sao Paulo, Brazil	Strengthening of the Stockholm Convention Regional Centers Network for Latin America and the Caribbean Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create a network to develop coordinated and joint actions between countries and centers. Develop a network website, conduct a regional survey for the identification of experts, organize workshops to develop regional work plan and action plans. 	50,000

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Western Europe and others: Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production, Mediterranean Action Plan (RAC-CP), Barcelona	Mediterranean Workshop on Used Lubricant Oils: Collection and Treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A three to four day workshop to encourage transfer of knowledge and experience, especially from Catalonia, about the collection and treatment of used oils. • Discuss practical aspects related to control, inspection, monitoring, evaluation, authorization procedures. 	50,000
Western Europe and others: Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production, Mediterranean Action Plan (RAC-CP), Barcelona	Mediterranean Workshop on Management of Medical Wastes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A three to four day workshop to encourage transfer of knowledge and experience, especially from Catalonia, about the collection and treatment of medical wastes. • Raise awareness on the potential for production of unintentional POPs due to the inadequate management of medical wastes. 	50,000
Western Europe and others: Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production, Mediterranean Action Plan (RAC-CP), Barcelona	Best Available Technique Training Tool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop an auto audit electronic training tool on BATs and BEPs. • Support Mediterranean companies to undertake own auto-audits for reduction of unintentional POPs release. 	50,000
Central and Eastern Europe: Centre for International Projects (ANO-CIP), Moscow	Training Workshop: Inventories of POPs Wastes – With the Example of PCB and POPs Pesticides	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A three day training workshop. • Implement program of training, retraining, and promotion qualifications of personnel in environmentally safe management of wastes containing POPs. 	50,000
Central and Eastern Europe: Centre for International Projects (ANO-CIP), Moscow	Training Workshop: Purification methods for sites polluted by POPS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A three day training workshop. • Implement program of training, retraining, and promoting qualifications of personnel in applying different methods for implementation purification of areas polluted by POPs. 	50,000
Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Africa: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Arab States (BCRC Egypt), Cairo	Land Degradation and Biodiversity loss at Zarranik area, North Sinai, Egypt	Tracing and mapping erosion/deposition of the area along the coastal shore of the Mediterranean, ornithological surveys, awareness raising about the Important Bird Area (IBA) and promoting eco-tourism.	50,000
Africa: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Arab States (BCRC Egypt), Cairo	The effect of industrial pollution on the climatic change of Greater Cairo during the last decade	Collecting air quality data, industrial investment data during the period of 1997-2000 and 2008-2010 before and after the establishment of the industrial cities. Comparing the air pollutant's levels after and before the industrial investments. Studying the effect of the pollution levels on climate change.	45,000
Asia and the Pacific: Basel Convention Coordinating Centre for Asia and the Pacific (BCCC China) / Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for Capacity Building and Transfer of Technology (SCRC China), Beijing	Capacity building for the management of new POPs under the Stockholm Convention	Investigate and evaluate the manufacturing situation, as well as regulatory control standard and management system on new POPs in five selected countries; Assessment of treatment practices of new POPs wastes needed by the selected countries, assess the applicability of the treatment methods of new POPs wastes in developed countries.	50,000
Asia and the Pacific: National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur	Training workshop on capacity building for the sound waste management technologies related to POPs	Exhaustive training on capacity building on waste management technologies based on the need identified from NIPs of participating countries and designed a suitable capacity building programme.	50,000

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Asia and the Pacific: National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur	Capacity building to estimate adverse impact of POPs, especially DDT, to biota	Design of training module addressing issues related to environmental risks involved with DDT; selection of appropriate methodologies to address the problems in consultations with health departments.	50,000
Asia and the Pacific: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for South-East Asia (BCRC Indonesia), Jakarta	Gap and Needs analysis in existing relevant national legislation and fulfilment with the requirement of Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions	Preparation of tools and conduct a gaps and needs analysis, preparation of guidance to address the gaps, national workshop to present provisional recommendations of gaps and needs.	50,200
Asia and the Pacific: Pacific Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Joint Implementation of the Basel and Waigani Conventions in the South Pacific Region Integrated Within the South Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SEREP), Apia	Regional inventory of asbestos in Pacific Island Countries	Preparing inventory, providing assistance and advice to stabilise and prepare funding application for prioritised removal of inventoried building material containing asbestos.	50,000
Central and Eastern Europe: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for Central Europe (BCRC Slovakia), Bratislava	Strengthening the capacity of Croatia to monitor and control the transboundary movements of chemicals and hazardous wastes	Building capacities of customs officers and the sanitary and environmental inspectorate by establishing effective and coordinated mechanism at the national level.	50,000
Central and Eastern Europe: Centre for International Projects (ANO-CIP), Moscow	Capacity Building of the Basel Convention Regional Centre in the Russian Federation for CIS countries (BCRC RF) and the Nominated Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in the Russian Federation	Collection, evaluation, dissemination and capacity building on the environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes on the new and available technologies or minimisation of their generation in the countries of the regions.	50,000
Central and Eastern Europe: Centre for International Projects (ANO-CIP), Moscow	Strengthening activities of the civil society in the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions	Information collection on the NGO's activities under the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, strengthening capacity of governments, awareness raising, conducting trainings and organizing workshops.	50,000
Central and Eastern Europe: Research Centre for Toxic Compounds in the Environment (RECETOX), Brno, Czech Republic	Development of an approach to evaluate multiple chemical exposure, and to assess the toxicological interactions of POPs chemicals	Two studies developed: 1.Exposure to complex environmental mixture of chlorinated paraffins; 2. Overview of the evaluation method of toxic effects of complex environmental mixtures of POPs followed by a workshop for scientists working in this field.	50,000
Latin America and the Caribbean: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Central America Sub-region including Mexico (BCRC-CAM), San Salvador	Supporting the implementation of the Regional Strategy for ESM of ULAB in Central America	Organizing a technical workshop to finalize the Implementation Plan of the ULAB Regional Strategy in Central America and a back-to back Ministerial meeting to obtain the approval of the draft Implementation Plan at appropriate political level. Designing and implementation of an electronic system for Basel PIC for the transboundary movement of hazardous waste.	50,000

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Western Europe and others: Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production, Mediterranean Action Plan (RAC-CP), Barcelona	Training for custom officers on POPs import/exports	Building capacity among the customs staff on the provisions of the three chemicals conventions regarding the import/export of POPs and training them to recognize products containing POPs.	50,000
Western Europe and others: Regional Activity Centre for Cleaner Production, Mediterranean Action Plan (RAC-CP), Barcelona	National Workshop for Capacity Building in the process of Review and Updating the Moroccan NIP.	Organize a national workshop in Morocco with all stakeholders involved in the process of National Implementation Plan (NIP) development with the objective of building capacity for the review and update of the NIP and comply with the obligations of the Stockholm Convention.	50,000

Proposals received but not selected for funding in 2011

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Africa: National Centre for Cleaner Technologies Production (NCCTP), Algiers	Regional training workshop for customs officers on imports/exports of hazardous wastes and chemical materials	A 3-day workshop for customs officers from selected Parties on hazardous wastes and chemical materials imports/exports.	40,000
Asia and the Pacific: National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur	Technical assistance to Bangladesh and Nepal in terms of capacity building and technology transfer for unintentionally released POPs and new POPs	Assist selected Parties to update their inventory of dioxins and furans.	50,000
Asia and the Pacific: National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur	Capacity building to evaluate the harmful effects of DDT to biota	Designing of a training module addressing issues related to environmental risks related to DDT. Selection of appropriate methodologies to address the problems in consultations with health departments regarding the DDT spray schedule in villages.	50,000
Asia and the Pacific: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for South-East Asia (BCRC Indonesia), Jakarta	Gap and Needs analysis in existing relevant national legislation and fulfilment with the requirements of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions	Preparation of tools and conduct a gaps and needs analysis, preparation of guidance to address the gaps, national workshop to present provisional recommendations of gaps and needs.	50,200
Asia and the Pacific: Basel Convention Regional Centre (BCRC Iran), Tehran	Regional training workshop for policy makers, manager and staff responsible for the management of POPs on the export process for PCBs in accordance with the requirements of the Basel Convention	Capacity building of countries in the region through a training programme for policy makers, managers and technical staff on requirements for exporting PCB waste as per the Basel Convention.	50,000
Asia and the Pacific: Basel Convention Regional Centre (BCRC Iran), Tehran	Regional training workshop on co-disposal of POPs and hazardous wastes in cement kilns	A 3-day trainers training including demonstration on co-disposal of PCB oil and hazardous waste in cement kilns.	50,000
Central and Eastern Europe: Research Centre for Toxic Compounds in the Environment (RECETOX), Brno, Czech Republic	Development of an approach to evaluate multiple chemical exposure, and to assess toxicological interactions of POPs chemicals	Two studies developed: 1. Exposure to complex environmental mixture of chlorinated paraffins; 2. Overview of the evaluation method of toxic effects of complex environmental mixtures of POPs followed by a workshop for scientists working in this field.	50,000

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Latin America and the Caribbean: Centro Nacional de Investigación y Capacitación Ambiental (CENICA), Mexico City	Strengthening of analytical capacity for POPs under the Stockholm Convention in the Latin American and Caribbean region	A 3 to 4-day workshop for analysts in the region to document and harmonize the analytical methods for POPs analysis.	50,000

Proposals received but not selected for funding in 2012

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Africa: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Kenya (SCRC Kenya)	Third in- country training on strengthening in-country decision making on integrated vector management as an alternative approach to pesticide and DDT use for malaria control	Review the current vector control policies and institutional arrangements and provide technology transfer through lectures and working groups on IVM principles including field experience on IVM demonstration project in Kenya.	50,000
Asia: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in India (SCRC India)	Capacity building on estimating of PCBs and DDT in various matrices and training on sound management of POPs	Designing of training module addressing issues related to environmental risks associated with POPs especially PCBs and DDT and selection of appropriate methodologies to address the problems. Imparting capacity building programme at CSIR-NEERI, Nagpur through lectures, field visits, practical demonstration of methodologies adopted for estimation of PCBs and DDT and through interactive sessions.	50,000
Latin America and the Caribbean: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Panama (SCRC Panama)	Training and specialization program in planning, management and evaluation to improve capacity of implementation of Chemicals Agreements for English-speaking participants.	Offer an online graduate program on Environmental Surveillance assisting implementation of Chemicals Agreements which includes preparation of materials and course content, approval of the academic offering, promotion of the offer and admission process etc, project start and registration of participants	50,000
Latin America and the Caribbean: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Brazil (SCRC Brazil)	To assist the Small Island Developing States - SIDS from GRULAC for attending the "III International Training Intensive Capacity Building on Environmentally Sound Management on Chemical Substances and Wastes under the Stockholm, Basel and Rotterdam Conventions	Capacity Building on Environmentally Sound Management on Chemical Substances and Wastes under the Stockholm, Basel and Rotterdam Conventions. Proposed training having modules on identification and management of hazardous substances/chemicals including POPs; sampling techniques for environmental samples; and determination of concentration of contaminant. Funding was requested to support few participants/items to an ongoing international training course	49,910
Central and Easter Europe: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Czech Republic (SCRC Czech Republic)	Development of national and technical capacities on new POPs monitoring, analyses and NIP updates	Assessment of national status and capacity with respect to BDEs and PFOS inventory; assessment of capacities for environmental monitoring on these chemicals, undertaking training programme on NIP updating addressing these chemicals Making countries familiarize with the guidance on NIP updating; promoting opportunity to collect data for GMP 2	50,000

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Central and Easter Europe: Basel Convention Regional Centre in Slovakia	Activities leading towards establishing / improving synergy implementation among Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions in the Republic of Moldova, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Albania	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public education and awareness campaign (development of the relevant publications and its further dissemination among the key stakeholders) • To organise a final workshop with presentation of project outcomes at national level including possible follow-up activities; • Development of the roadmap and recommendations for joint action plan for all three Conventions, covering the following issues: • Analysis and assessment of current situation with gaps and needs identification • 	50,000
Central and Easter Europe: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Russian Federation (SCRC Russian Federation)	Sub-regional Thematic Workshop on Candidate and New POPs under the Stockholm Convention for effective participation of the CEECCA countries in work of the POP Review Committee and updating NIPs (in Russian Language)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop will be organized for the participants of the CIS countries on new and candidate POPs under review by POPRC in Russian language • Help collect information at national level on the status of BDEs and PFOS • Assist parties to update their NIP by bringing the attention of participants on relevant guidance 	50,000
Central and Easter Europe: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Russian Federation (SCRC Russian Federation)	Training Workshop: «Inventories of POPs wastes including the inventory of PCBs and POPs pesticides, cleaning methods of POPs-contaminated territories» (for the countries of the region)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop on PCB and POPs pesticide will be organized for the CIS countries and participants will share on their work on how they prepared their inventories. Participants will receive further information on developing POPs inventory • Techniques on remediation of contaminated sites will also be dealt in the workshop 	50,000
Western Europe and Others: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Spain (SCRC Spain)	Supporting Green Entrepreneurs for a POPs free Mediterranean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defining and elaborating the steps needed to expand the SWITCH-MED training methodology for green entrepreneurs to tackle POPs reduction/phasing out • Preparing training module on POPs and identifying: a set of good practices by economic sector/by technologies / by management; a set of case studies for POPs eradication; revising the training methodology to include POPs phasing out; integrating and delivering training along the 5 target countries; • Preparation/insertion of specific awareness raising material (leaflets, case studies, videos, etc) on POPs use and emissions, possible alternative chemicals (substitutes) 	50,000

Proposals received but not selected for funding in 2014

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Africa: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Algeria (SCRC Algeria)	Training workshop on the legislative and / or regulation of PCBs and their environmentally sound management (case of the Algerian experience in the field of export of PCBs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizing workshop on BAT and BEP on environmentally sound management of PCBs, • sharing the Algerian experience on exporting PCB in compliance with the Basel Convention, • strengthening of the legislative framework and / or regulations concerning PCBs and wastes containing or contaminated by them 	40,000

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Africa: Basel Convention Regional Centre in Egypt	Development of E-wastes inventories in African and Asian Arab countries in Synergy with BC centres in Africa and Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpretation of the E-wastes definitions • Classification of E-waste streams • Defining the scope of the inventory • Identifying major E-waste generating facilities • These activities are expected to be fulfilled through a regional training for managers and policy makers responsible for the E-waste sector in the African and Asian Arab countries on E-waste Management. In addition to the above following country specific activities to be done • Collecting site specific data • Verifying site specific data • Calculating national summaries • Data on E-waste disposal and recycling • Data on E-waste import and export • Assessment of results and conclusions 	40,000
Asia: Basel and Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in China (BCRC/SCRC China)	Promotion of technical assistance through interaction of chemical and waste treatment enterprises in Asia and the Pacific	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Form a expert group on waste treatment and technology transfer; • Select one receipt country willing to accept technology transfer; • Expert group visit to the receipt country; • Organize a workshop on information exchanging and experience sharing on the issue with focus on local enterprises and government; • Consolidate and expand the Public Private Partnership for Chemical and Hazardous Wastes Technical Assistance and Technology Transfer; 	40,000
Asia: Basel and Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in China (BCRC/SCRC China)	Status study on Waste Fluorescent Lamps management in Selected Countries in Asia-Pacific Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Desk study and compilation of the information on WFLs generation, laws and regulations, collection and recycling in the selected countries. • Organizing the regional workshop with the officials/experts from the selected countries to further share the current status on WFLs management, and to discuss the needs to improve the WFLs management. • Compiling the materials, information and discussion outputs during the regional workshop, analyze the needs, and propose the steps/priority activities to improve the WFLs management in the region. 	40,000

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
<p>Asia: Basel Convention Regional Centre for the Pacific Islands (SPREP)</p>	<p>Best practice asbestos management pilot study, Papua New Guinea (Rabaul)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct training of relevant government officers in collecting and collating data on the location, quantity and condition of asbestos containing building materials (including asbestos containing waste stockpiles) in Rabaul, Papua New Guinea; • Conduct training in best practice asbestos stabilization techniques; • Conduct training in best practice asbestos handling and collection, transportation; storage to minimize safety, environmental and health risks; • Provide technical advice and support to assist local officials in raising awareness of the environmental benefits of improved asbestos management; • Complete a cost-benefit analysis of asbestos disposal options; and • Conduct training for government officials and relevant stakeholders on national obligations and requirements under the Basel and Waigani Conventions on asbestos. 	<p>40,000</p>
<p>Latin America and the Caribbean: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Central America and Mexico (BCRC CAM)</p>	<p>Capacity Building to Support the Informal Sector, Women and youth in the Collection and Sorting of E-waste in El Salvador, Mexico, Trinidad & Tobago, and Argentina, connected with implementing SAFE Planet in the Americas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a National Committee to formulate • a draft Strategy and Action Plan in coordination with the focal/contact points of the three conventions • the National Strategies and Action Plans • National Inventories • Draft National Strategy and Action Plans • Organization of National Workshops • Discuss benefits and responsibilities of each of the MEAs and the status of compliance. • Discuss on the draft National Strategy and Action Plan • Preparation of Final Draft of National Strategies and Action Plans • Organization of Regional Workshop • Sharing of final Drafts of Inventories and National Strategies and Actions Plans • Discussion on the final draft of regional products • Presentation of Regional Products to CCAD Council of Ministers 	<p>122,000</p>
<p>Central and Easter Europe: Basel and Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Russian Federation (BCRC/SCRC Russian Federation)</p>	<p>Assistance to the EECCA countries with economies in transition in the implementation of the Stockholm Convention provisions on the newly listed and candidate persistent organic pollutants.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of key national stakeholders, establishing an expert network among the beneficiary parties • Establishing an initiative working group and organizing an inception meeting • Collection of national data, evaluation of the state-of-the-art on the new and candidate POPs in countries of the sub-region • Preparation of a Reference Book on New and Candidate POPs (in Russian) • Organisation and holding of a sub-regional training workshop to discuss the Reference Book • Distribution of the Reference Book on New and Candidate POPs among national stakeholders of the beneficiary parties • Preparation of the final report, translation into English 	<p>40,000</p>

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Central and Eastern Europe: Basel Convention Regional Centre in Slovakia (BCRC Slovakia)	Establishment of the system for waste classification, inventory and reporting for the Basel Convention requirements for selected countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing knowledge about current situation regarding legal aspects of management of hazardous waste and chemicals in selected countries • Analysis of current situation/conditions in selected countries • Analysis of the current system for data collection and its processing • Analysis of the Basel Convention requirements for national reporting • Proposal for data collection and its processing and data verification • Proposal for fulfilment of reporting obligations • National workshop to present the current situation on conditions and current system for data collection and its processing • Regional meeting organised by BCRC Slovakia 	40,000
Western Europe and Others: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Spain (SCRC Spain)	Determination of restricted pesticides in mothers' milk and environmental samples in Albania	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To sample mothers' milk in 3 Hospitals in Albania- 1 hospital in Tirana, 1 Hospital in Shkoder and 1 Hospital in Vlore. • To sample air (passive samplers) in Tirana, Shkoder and Vlore. • To sample water in lake Shkoder, Durres and Narta lagoon. • To analyse the samples. • To present a report with the results and the regional background levels. 	40,000
Pacific: Pacific Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Joint Implementation of the Basel and Waigani Conventions in the South Pacific region (SPREP)	Best practice asbestos management pilot study, Papua New Guinea (Rabaul)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct training of relevant government officers in collecting and collating data on the location, quantity and condition of asbestos containing building materials (including asbestos containing waste stockpiles) in Rabaul, Papua New Guinea; • Conduct training in best practice asbestos stabilization techniques; • Conduct training in best practice asbestos handling and collection, transportation; storage to minimize safety, environmental and health risks; • Provide technical advice and support to assist local officials in raising awareness of the environmental benefits of improved asbestos management; 	38,805

Proposals received but not selected for funding in 2018

Centre	Project title	Activities	Budget (USD)
Africa: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Arab States (BCRC Egypt), Giza	Development of Environmental Sound Management and Disposal of Mercury and Mercury-Containing Waste in the Arab States	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a questionnaire on Mercury and Mercury-Containing waste generation and practices followed by the Arab states for the management of the Mercury and Mercury-Containing waste • Conduct of the questionnaire among officials in selected Arab states • Conduct a 2-day regional workshop on reviewing the Minamata Convention and the importance of its ratification and introduction and discussion of the questionnaire results, 	45,000

<p>Basel Convention Regional Centre for Arab States (BCRC Egypt), Giza</p>	<p>Voluntary Monitoring and Assessing of Marine litter and plastic waste</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry out marine litter pilot voluntary surveys on the Med Coast of Egypt along with a literature review focusing on strengthening the evidence base concerning marine litter and in particular plastics • Compile a document with „best“ available techniques and methodologies for monitoring marine litter in the coastal and marine environment and short listing of best environmental practices for management of marine litter • Carry out a literature review on the degradation process for plastics 	<p>45,000</p>
<p>Basel Convention Coordinating Centre for Africa (BCCC Africa), Ibadan, Nigeria</p>	<p>Creating awareness on ESM of Used Lead Acid Batteries (ULAB) amongst informal sector recyclers in Nigeria</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field survey of ULAB informal sector members in selected areas of Lagos, Nigeria through a questionnaire designed to inventory the awareness status and practice. • Field survey of ULAB informal sector members in Ibadan, Nigeria. • Organisation of awareness-raising / training workshop in Lagos for the informal sector. • Organisation of awareness-raising / training workshop in Ibadan for the informal sector. • Short-term monitoring of outcome of the workshops. 	<p>45,000</p>
<p>Basel Convention Regional Centre/Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for English Speaking African countries (BCRC-SCRC South Africa), Pretoria</p>	<p>Capacity building and awareness raising on the implementation of BRS conventions in Mauritius and Tanzania</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holding of a high-level national policy dialogue on the mainstreaming of chemicals and waste in national development planning process • Setting up or strengthening of a national reporting committee to ensure national coordination on the reporting mechanism including data collection for the purpose of BC and SC national reporting and SDGs goal indicators • Training of judicial officers and other law enforcement officers including customs, police, health and agricultural so as to strengthen their capacities for the enforcement of national and MEAs obligations • Convening meeting between the department of environment and line ministries and potential financiers and donors resident in the countries as to garner financial technical and capacity building support at national level for the full implementation and mainstreaming of chemicals and waste in national agenda and the domestication of MEAs at national level. 	<p>45,000</p>
<p>Basel Convention Regional Centre/Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for French Speaking African countries (BCRC-SCRC Senegal), Dakar</p>	<p>Organization of regional workshop to exchange and share the results of the pilot project “Demonstration of a Regional Approach to Environmentally Sound Management of PCB Liquid Wastes and Transformers and Capacitors Containing PCBs”</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organize a workshop for the focal points of 10 countries to: • Share the results of the regional project • Exchange experiences of ongoing PCB projects • Look for common prospects for total PCB phase-out by 2028 in accordance with the provisions of the Stockholm Convention. 	<p>45,000</p>

<p>GRULAC: Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in Panama (SCRC Panama), Panama City</p>	<p>Strengthening national coordination and cooperation for an effective implementation of the Chemical Agreements with the synergy approach in Central America and Dominican Republic.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5-day trainers training to the focal points of chemicals and waste MEAs of Central America and Dominican R. • Develop the programme and the training material • Hold consultation with focal points of the beneficiary countries in preparation for the training • Organize and hold the sub-regional training of trainers on the Conventions • External evaluation and feedback of the project 	<p>45,000</p>
<p>Basel Convention Regional Centre for the Caribbean in Trinidad and Tobago (BCRC Caribbean), Port of Spain</p>	<p>Environmentally Sound Management of Stockpiles of PFOS, Promotion of Alternatives and Improving Awareness in Suriname</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and refine the 2016 PFOS Inventory and assess the current management situation • Assess feasible and environmentally sound options for the storage, management and disposal options of PFOS and PFAS containing products suitable to Suriname • Research suitable alternatives and use this information to develop user-friendly technical guidelines; training materials; awareness raising materials and a management plan for the relevant stakeholders on the life-cycle management of PFOS and PFAS. 	<p>45,000</p>
<p>Basel Convention Regional Centre for the Caribbean in Trinidad and Tobago (BCRC Caribbean), Port of Spain</p>	<p>Development of Mechanisms to Strengthen Reporting under the Basel Convention in Antigua and Barbuda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, and Trinidad and Tobago</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing training needs and gaps in the understanding of procedures and available information; • Development of stakeholder-specific guidelines and data collection spreadsheets; • Organisation and implementation of in-country stakeholder training workshops for each beneficiary country; and • Creation of training videos which can be accessed remotely by individuals and be utilised in other countries as a means of building sustainability into the project. 	<p>44,200</p>
<p>CEE: Basel Convention Regional Centre for Central and Eastern Europe (BCRC Slovakia), Bratislava</p>	<p>Promoting guidance documents of the Partnership for Action on Computing Equipment towards environmentally sound management of waste electric and electronic equipment in Albania, Belarus and Macedonia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of current situation in management of e-waste focussed on waste from end of life computing equipment and assessment of current national needs; • Translation and dissemination of selected PACE guidelines or manual including the draft Manual on EPR on promoting the ESM of wastes; • Inventory of available data on WEEE collection and treatment. Identification of the stakeholders and summarising the data gathered through waste management permitting, record keeping, reporting or by other means applied by respective country including through questionnaire survey. • Proposal for improvement of the infrastructure of WEEE (with focus on end of life computing equipment); • Awareness rising and stakeholders' consultation on end of life computing equipment. 	<p>45,000</p>

<p>Basel Convention Regional Centre for CIS countries (BCRC Russian Federation), Moscow</p>	<p>National capacity building for the management of chemicals and wastes and successful implementation of the Stockholm and Basel conventions in Tajikistan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishing an inter-ministerial chemicals management committee (ICMC) • Promote the development, adoption, and enforcement of legislation and regulatory frameworks that support Tajikistan to become a Party to the Rotterdam Convention and the Minamata Conventions • Creation of a national tool for information exchange • Trainings, capacity building and awareness raising • Monitoring and evaluation and financial audit 	<p>41,000</p>
<p>Basel Convention Regional Centre for CIS countries (BCRC Russian Federation), Moscow</p>	<p>Improving of national capacity for implementation of Basel and Stockholm convention for new POPs and electronic wastes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist in updating Environment Code of Kazakhstan to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ new POPs, e-waste and mercury and unintentionally released POPs; ○ handling of POPs and POPs waste ○ updated extended producer responsibility; • Development of a draft methodology for calculating uPOP emission based on the UNEP methodology • Creation of separate webpages on the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions on the website of Zhasyl Dam, which will contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • inventory of hazardous waste, • information and methodological database, • the Basel Convention technical guidelines, international standards, etc. • Development of training modules and providing training to employees of relevant ministries, departments under ecology, customs and industrial enterprises; • Stockholders consultation roundtable. 	<p>45,000</p>
<p>Nominated Stockholm Convention Centre located in Russian Federation, Novosibirsk</p>	<p>Organisation of the Meeting concerning Stockholm Convention implementation in the Russian Federation and the Central Asia region countries</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organize training workshop for technical experts from the selected CIS countries to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ discuss of the current situation with POPs management and monitoring in the subregion ○ provide training on quantitative analysis of POPs in various media • Update list of laboratories and their equipment across the region who could be involved in POPs-monitoring activities 	<p>45,000</p>