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| <b>Convention: RC</b>   | <b>Training and capacity-building activities to enhance the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention at the national and regional levels (general overview)</b> |
| <b>LEGAL BASIS/MANDATE:</b>   |   |
| <i>Activity 15(RC) of the Programme of Work 2014-2015, as adopted by the decision RC-6/16. Decisions RC-6/2 and RC-6/11 of the Conference of the Parties.</i>   |   |
| <b>BACKGROUND INFORMATION:</b>  |   |
| Training and capacity-building activities will support Parties in meeting their obligations under the Rotterdam Convention by strengthening their information exchange capacities,, national coordination and raise awareness on the variety of tools and approaches available . The secretariat will continue to strengthen its cooperation through specific partnerships with relevant intergovernmental organizations, such as UNEP, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, FAO, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, the World Health Organization, the World Customs Organization and the Green Customs Initiative;.   |   |
| <b>PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE FUNDED:</b>  |   |
| <p><b>1. Strengthening national coordination for the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention:</b></p> <p><b>1.1. Sub-regional workshops aimed at developing and enhancing capacities of Parties in the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention: (8 sub-regional workshops)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hazard and risk assessments of priority chemicals (pesticides and industrial) leading to decision-making whether to ban or severely restrict them;</li> <li>• Notifications of final regulatory actions for both pesticides and industrial chemicals;</li> <li>• Export notifications and the trade in banned or severely restricted chemicals;</li> <li>• Information exchange and coordination at national level;</li> <li>• Preparation and communication of import responses;</li> <li>• Decisions on final regulatory action;</li> <li>• Management of newly listed chemicals;</li> <li>• Customs training activities:</li> <li>• Severely hazardous pesticide formulations;</li> </ul> <p><b>1.2 National workshops aimed at developing and enhancing capacities of Parties in the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention (upon request):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National workshops for the strengthening of national capacities related to severely hazardous pesticide formulations (14 workshops);</li> <li>• National awareness raising workshops on the process to develop action plans for the implementation of the Convention' obligations for new Parties (4 workshops);</li> </ul> <p><b>1.3 Facilitation, upon request from parties, in cooperation with the Basel and Stockholm Conventions Regional Centres and FAO Regional Offices, of the development and submission of project proposals to donors on priority areas for the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention.</b></p> <p><b>2. Training and capacity-building to address specific chemicals covered by the Rotterdam Convention:</b></p> <p><b>2.1 Sub-regional workshops aimed at develop and enhance capacities of Parties to make hazard and risk assessments using available tools and approaches to apply precaution in relation to industrial chemicals (8 sub-regional workshops)</b></p> <p><b>2.2 Workshops aimed at strengthening the capacities of Parties in the field of trade control and enforcement of the Rotterdam convention by customs officers (4 sub-regional workshops) (in collaboration with the GCI and the World Customs Organization (WCO), as appropriate)</b></p> <p><b>2.3 Trade-partner workshops aimed at strengthening the capacities of Parties in relation to trade aspects of the Rotterdam Convention (2 trade-partner workshops)</b></p> |   |

| <b>RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED:</b>  |   |                  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parties have strengthened their capacities in the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention in specific areas and in line with the decisions taken by the Conferences of Parties through training and capacity building activities.</li> <li>National Action Plans (NAPs) and relevant strategies are developed by New Parties;</li> <li>Import Responses and Notifications of Final Regulatory Actions (FRAs) submitted by Parties, increased;</li> <li>Parties capacity to make decisions on industrial chemicals in Annex III is enhanced;</li> <li>Increased number of reports from Parties on results of monitoring activities related to pesticide incidents and severely hazardous pesticide formulations;</li> <li>Increased awareness of the tools and guidance documents and their application in the field;</li> </ul> |   |                  |
| <b>VOLUNTARY BUDGET [USD] FOR 2014-2015</b>   |   |                  |
| <b>10</b>   | <b>PROJECT PERSONNEL COMPONENT</b>            |                  |
| 1100  | <i>P-3 Programme Officer post (40%)</i>       | 147,125          |
| 1200  | <i>G-5 General Service Staff post (10%)</i>   | 27,805           |
| 1300  | <i>Consultants</i>                            | 280,000          |
| 1600  | <i>Travel on Official Business</i>            | 237,000          |
| <b>20</b>   | <b>SUB-CONTRACT COMPONENT</b>                 |                  |
| 2200  | <i>Sub-contracts</i>                          | 20,000           |
| <b>30</b>   | <b>TRAINING COMPONENT</b>                     |                  |
| 3300  | <i>Meetings and Conferences</i>               | 847,000          |
| 3400  | <i>Travel of Participants</i>                 | 1,278,000        |
| <b>40</b>   | <b>EQUIPMENT AND PREMISES COMPONENT</b>       |                  |
| 4100  | <i>Information/public awareness materials</i> | 42,500           |
| <b>52</b>   | <b>MISCELLANEOUS COMPONENT</b>                |                  |
| 5200  | <i>Publishing/translation</i>                 | 78,500           |
| 5300  | <i>Other expenses</i>                         | 48,000           |
| <b>DIRECT PROJECT COST OPERATIONAL BUDGET</b>   |   | <b>3,005,930</b> |
| <b>Programme Support Costs (PSC) 13%</b>  |   | <b>390,771</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL BUDGET</b>   |   | <b>3,396,701</b> |
| <b>VOLUNTARY FUNDING RECEIVED*</b>  |   | <b>0</b>         |

\* as of 1 September 2013