

<b>Convention: SC</b>	<b>DDT: Assessment of Continued Need and capacity building for parties to report</b>
<b>LEGAL BASIS/MANDATE:</b>	
<p>Activity 16 (SC) of the Programme of Work 2014-2015 as adopted by decision SC-6/30  Activity 22 (SC) on Scientific supports to Parties of the Stockholm Convention.  Decision SC-6/1 on DDT</p>	
<b>BACKGROUND INFORMATION:</b>	
<p>Purpose of the project is to take active steps, pursuant to decision SC-6/1, to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) collect and compile the information necessary to facilitate the DDT expert group in undertaking an assessment on the basis of factual information provided by parties and observers to provide guidance to the Conference of the Parties on the evaluation of continued need for DDT at its seventh meeting;</li> <li>b) undertake selected activities to assist developing countries for a transition away from reliance on DDT for disease vector control, with due priority accorded to ensuring that adequate systems and institutional capacity are in place to enable evidence-based decision-making;</li> </ol> <p>In spite of continued efforts by various stakeholders to enhance the capacity for developing countries to introduce effective solutions for disease vector control, the tools available in certain settings still include DDT as an indispensable option. Accessibility to factual data is often limited at National level for informed decision making in sound management of available vector control tools and for reporting by Parties to the Convention. This is a major hindrance for countries still relying on DDT to efficiently control of vector born diseases without continued reliance on DDT and to consider factual scientific and technical information for the assessment of continued need by the DDT expert group.</p> <p>The Secretariat, in collaboration with World Health Organization (WHO), has undertaken activities in malaria endemic countries in Africa to promote the principles of integrated vector management (IVM) and introducing it in national vector control programmes as a sustainable solution. The activities proposed under this project in Africa, related to IVM will focus as follow-up actions of those initiatives.</p>	
<b>PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE FUNDED:</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Coordinate with national vector control programme managers, WHO and other relevant stakeholders to collect factual information for the assessment of continued need for DDT for disease vector control at national level and to facilitate the work of the DDT expert group (staff time only);</li> <li>2. Webinars to facilitate Parties responding to the DDT questionnaire (staff time only);</li> <li>3. Develop guidance for sound management of DDT for disease vector control (by a consultant);</li> <li>4. Two regional workshops(one each in Africa and Asia) to facilitate Parties further strengthening of IVM practices for sound management of DDT and other accessible vector control towards elimination of reliance on DDT and to report factual information for the assessment of continued need for DDT</li> </ol> <p><i>Note: The activities proposed are conducted in collaboration and coordination with WHO, as appropriate</i></p>	
<b>RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Factual information available for the assessment by the DDT expert group and for decision making on sound management of DDT in national disease vector control programmes;</li> <li>• Enhanced capacity at national level for evidence based decision making in countries still relying on DDT for disease vector control.</li> </ul>	

<b>VOLUNTARY BUDGET [USD] FOR 2014-2015<sup>1</sup></b>		
<b>10</b>	<b>PROJECT PERSONNEL COMPONENT</b>	
1100	<i>Professional Staff</i>	13,994
1200	<i>Consultants</i>	10,000
<b>30</b>	<b>TRAINING COMPONENT</b>	
3300	<i>Meetings and Conferences<sup>2</sup></i>	60,000
	<b>DIRECT PROJECT COST OPERATIONAL BUDGET</b>	<b>83,994</b>
	<b>Programme Support Costs (PSC) 13%</b>	<b>10,919</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL BUDGET</b>	<b>94,913</b>

<sup>1</sup> The total COP-6 approved budget is composed of: USD50,000 in the SCTF for the DDT Expert Group meeting, USD 10,000 in the SVTF (non staff cost) for a consultant and additional USD 92,000 for staff providing substantial input and project management budgeted in the SVTF. Further COP-6 has allocated funds under TA activity 16 for capacity building activities including workshops (USD 60,000 - SVTF) and webinars.

<sup>2</sup> USD 160,000 is budgeted under PoW 16 to implement training workshops