Advancing chemicals and waste management in economic and industry sectors along value chains

Fostering programmatic action on integrated chemicals and waste management under the Beyond 2020 Framework

Tuesday, 26 September 2023
18:15 – 19:45
Room: Bonn (refreshments provided)

Achieving the sound management of chemicals and waste requires commitment and innovative action by a range of industry actors along the value chain. These include the chemical industry and their suppliers, product manufacturers and brands, retailers, consumers, and the waste management and recycling industry.

This side event will feature good practices and proposed activities of a Beyond 2020 Implementation Programme to scale-up action in economic and industry sectors to achieve sound chemicals and waste management. Topics featured include: chemicals and waste management performance assessments, chemical transparency throughout value chains, and sustainable chemical and waste strategies in economic and industry sectors. Programme activities have been developed through IOMC supported multi-stakeholder workshops and dialogues in 2022 and 2023 with more than 300 stakeholders.

A programme focusing on industries along value chains is among three Implementation Programmes to advance integrated chemicals and waste management proposed by IOMC through a draft ICCM-5 resolution initiated at IP 4.2 in Nairobi. The draft resolution will tabled on the first day of ICCM-5 through a CRP. The other two proposed Programmes address the development of national chemicals and waste management systems in all countries and regions and integrating chemicals and waste management in sustainable development decision-making, respectively.

Draft agenda (provisional)

18:15 Welcome and objectives
- Jorge Ocana, Chair, IOMC

18:20 Setting the Scene: Why is integrated chemicals and waste management and programmatic action to implement the Beyond 2020 framework valuable?
- Overview of IOMC activities to advance integrated chemicals and waste management through “Beyond 2020” Implementation Programmes (Oliver Wootton, UNITAR)
18:40  Priority elements and activities of a possible “Beyond 2020 Implementation Programme to advance action in economic and industry sectors”

- Angela Pinilla, Clean Production Action
- Melissa Wang, Greenpeace
- Sylvie Lemoine, CEFIC/ICCA
- Susan Wilburn, HCWH
- Rory O’Neill, ITUC

19:20  How can possible “Beyond 2020” Implementation Programmes foster knowledge sharing and accelerate stakeholder action?

- Overview of the proposed approach for Implementation Programmes and the IOMC CRP (Eeva Leinala, OECD)
- Rakesh VAZIRANI, TUV Rheinland (tbc)
- Speaker TBC
- Questions and answers

19:40  Conclusions and next steps

- Moderator (Achim Halpaap)