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ROTTERDAM CONVENTION



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Review of the synergies arrangements
Compilation of responses received from Parties
to the Secretariat and to the UNEP and FAO questionnaire

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Explanatory note:

This document is a compilation of responses received from Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions to the Secretariat (part A) and the UNEP and FAO (part B) questionnaire on the review of the synergies arrangements, that was communicated to all Parties on 16 May 2012.

As of 31 October 2012, the following 23 parties had submitted responses to the Secretariat's questionnaire through the electronic system: Andorra, Argentina, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, France, Georgia, Guatemala, Italy, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mexico, Montenegro, Myanmar, Philippines, Romania, Slovakia, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine and Uruguay. With regards to the UNEP and FAO questionnaire, the following 18 Parties had completed it: Argentina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, France, Georgia, Guatemala, Italy, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mexico, Myanmar, Romania, Slovakia, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and Uruguay. In addition two Parties, namely Germany and Cyprus, had transmitted responses to both questionnaires not using the electronic format.

This document complements the *graphic illustrations* of responses received from Parties to the secretariat's questionnaire. The graphic illustrations are also available on the website of the Conventions.

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ANDORRA

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field: technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II –INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

239. Submitting Party

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Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Worse ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Worse ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

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PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) [Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions](#) (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(e) [Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties \(COPs\)](#)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

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PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

Un efecto indirecto, al que debería prestarse atención a fin de minimizarlo, es cierto grado de pérdida de identidad en la relación Secretaría/Parte, evidenciada en los continuos cambios de interlocutores según el asunto en tratamiento.

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

239. Submitting Party

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* **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

No change

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Diminished

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Slightly Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Slightly improved

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Slightly improved

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JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Poor

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Not answered

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Not answered

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Not answered

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BELGIUM

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

No answer

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

No answer

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

No answer

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

No answer

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

No answer

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

No answer

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

No answer

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

No answer

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

No answer

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

No answer

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

No answer

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

[2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues](#)

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

No answer

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

No answer

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

** Significantly worse **

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

No answer

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

No answer

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

No answer

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

No answer

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

No answer

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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PART II –INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

No answer

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

No answer

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

No answer

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

No answer

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

No answer

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

No answer

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

No answer

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

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PART II –INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

No answer

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

No answer

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(c) [Proposal for the organization of the secretariats](#) (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

No answer

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

No answer

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

Belgium welcomes the work done to enhance synergies among the three conventions in the chemicals and waste cluster, in particular, the launch of a new website dedicated to the Synergies among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, the creation of a single integrated secretariat respecting the legal autonomy of the three conventions and the organization of the next COPs back-to-back.

We support the inclusion of the new mercury instrument once it is finalized and the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) in the cooperation and coordination process between the Basel, Stockholm and Rotterdam Conventions in order to avoid policy fragmentation, overlap and duplication of efforts, to improve national implementation; and to contribute to ensuring that hazardous substances that are identified as being of global concern can be addressed effectively. In that context, Belgium warmly welcomes the outcome of the RIO+20 summit on enhancing coordination and cooperation among chemical and waste conventions and the SAICM and we hope that decisions will be taken to implement this.

Belgium hopes that decisions on enhancing cooperation and coordination among the three Conventions and the SAICM will be adopted by the next COPs.

Belgium also looks forward to the results of both the Consultative process on financing options for chemicals and wastes and the inclusive, country-drive Consultative process on challenges to and options for further enhancing cooperation and coordination in the chemicals and wastes cluster in the long term. Both processes will make important contributions to the synergies debate.

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BULGARIA

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

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PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

Lesson learnt Workshops on Regional level would be helpful to share experience in the achievements of synergies' objectives through joint activities.

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

A Guidance on identification and disposal/destruction of PBDEs and PFOS in plastic waste from WEEE and ELVs is strongly required to be developed as soon as possible.

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PART II –INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

none

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

none

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) [Proposal for the organization of the secretariats](#) (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

none

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

none

239. Submitting Party

BULGARIA

240. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent)

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242. Party status

- * **Basel Convention (BC)** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
- * **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Good

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Very Good

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Improved

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Slightly Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Slightly improved

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Slightly improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

NO

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

NO

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

NO

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

25. Submitting Party

BULGARIA

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28. Entities involved in completing this questionnaire (tick box)

- * **Basel Convention Competent Authority** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
- * **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

Other (Please specify):

CANADA

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Significantly improved ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Worse ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

Comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced with the questionnaire:

i) Since many synergies activities have not begun, are in their infancy, or are only just now coming to fruition in terms of efficiencies and improvements, it is challenging to respond in a meaningful way.

ii) Canada's responses of "no change" or "" signal that it is either too early to gauge progress or that we simply do not know at this point in time whether changes have occurred. In addition, for Canada (and we assume for other developed countries not relying directly or regularly on assistance from the Secretariat) many questions were deemed ""

iii) Re: national reporting includes sections on synchronization (2.1 a) and streamlining (2.1 b). These questions do not make sense - the Rotterdam Convention has no reporting requirements, the Basel Convention reports annually and the Stockholm Convention reports every 4 years – how could such reporting arrangements be synchronized or streamlined without amending some or all of the Conventions?

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

At this early stage in the synergies process, a simpler survey to establish objective baseline information on synergies might have been more appropriate. A re-assessment along the lines of the current questionnaire could be undertaken at an appropriate date in the future - perhaps for a future ExCOPs meeting (e.g., if one is held in 2015). Regardless of timing, we suggest using a simpler survey format in future (i.e., 238 questions in Section A and another 24 in Section B is quite burdensome).

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) [Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions](#) (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(e) [Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties \(COPs\)](#)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

See comments i) and ii) on Q145.

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

See comments on Q146.

In addition:

Canada supports the Executive Secretaries proposal for a joint secretariat to manage the three Conventions, with a structure to better support synergies and to build a sustainable secretariat, while guarding the legal autonomy of each instrument. We understand that this process would be expected to yield results in the short- medium- and long-terms, but that it is too early to fully assess progress. The proposed combined Triple-COP and second ExCOPs meeting in Spring 2013 also provide opportunities for synergies.

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) [Proposal for the organization of the secretariats](#) (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Worse ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

See comments i) and ii) on Q145.

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

See comments on Q204.

239. Submitting Party

Canada

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242. Party status

- * **Basel Convention (BC)** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
- * **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Don't Know

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Don't Know

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Don't Know

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Don't Know

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Don't Know

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Don't Know

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Very Good**

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Good**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Don't Know**

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

No comment.

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Environment Canada has recently undertaken a structural reorganization of the competent authorities of each convention to bring them all together under the same Directorate. This reorganization now allows for better synergies at the national level for implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions. While it is too early for "lessons learned", in future we may have some experiences to share on these efforts.

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

International synergies work under the three multilateral agreements is just starting. While it is important to review arrangements, we have not yet considered how we will measure success. Perhaps a few areas could be identified with quantitative indicators that could be monitored to track global progress.

Canada has always maintained that any cost savings from improved effectiveness and efficiencies in administration should be used to support programmatic implementation, including joint activities. Canada recommends that UNEP-FAO track and report to Parties on this important benefit of the synergies process.

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

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28. Entities involved in completing this questionnaire (tick box)

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- * **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
- * **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

Other (Please specify):

CROATIA

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Worse ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Worse *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

** Improved **

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

** Improved **

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

** No opinion **

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

** No changes **

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

** Worse **

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

** No opinion **

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

** No opinion **

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

No answer

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

*** Worse ***

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Worse ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

** No opinion **

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

** No opinion **

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

** No opinion **

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

** No opinion **

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

Additional financing of the national implementation plans would be useful

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) [Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions](#) (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(e) [Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties \(COPs\)](#)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No.

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No

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- * **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
- * **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Don't Know

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

No change

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

No change

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

No change

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

No answer

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

No answer

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

No

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

No

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

No

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

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CYPRUS

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Cc: Nico Laurijssen

Subject: FW: CYPRUS RESPONSE TO THE Review of the synergies arrangement: questionnaire for Parties

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To: Nico Laurijssen; 'Segbedzi.Norgbey@unep.org'; 'ashwin.bhouraskar@fao.org'

Subject: RE: CYPRUS RESPONSE TO THE Review of the synergies arrangement: questionnaire for Parties

Dear Sir, dear Madam,

Following your email dated 18 July and 8 August regarding the questionnaire for Parties on the review of the synergies arrangement, I would like to inform you that the competent authorities of the Republic of Cyprus have studied carefully the above-mentioned questionnaire and wished to inform the Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions that the questionnaire does not apply to Cyprus, because no capacity building programs were developed at the national or regional level and no activities for coordination took place beyond those already in place.

In view of the above, please do not hesitate to contact us for further inquiries.

Regards,

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FRANCE

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

** No opinion **

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

** No opinion **

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

** No opinion **

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

** No opinion **

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

Au sein de l'administration française, les autorités nationales des trois conventions relèvent de la Direction Générale de la Prévention des Risques (DGPR) du Ministère de l'Écologie, du développement durable et de l'énergie. La coordination et la circulation de l'information sur le suivi des conventions et notamment du processus synergies est parallèlement assurée par la cellule des affaires internationales et européenne de cette direction, conjointement avec le Ministère des Affaires étrangères.

Concernant les impacts des synergies en matière de mise en œuvre et de respect des obligations, il est encore prématuré pour en mesurer les effets, les réformes étant récentes. De plus, les effets dans le domaine de l'assistance technique conjointe sont difficiles à mesurer pour les Parties n'en bénéficiant pas, comme la France.

En tout état de cause, l'approche conjointe des synergies est plus cohérente et efficace pour appréhender la problématique des produits chimiques et déchets dangereux aux niveaux mondial, régional et national, et donne à ces problématiques une meilleure visibilité. La Conférence des Parties extraordinaire conjointe en 2013 devrait être l'occasion d'approfondir les synergies en termes de gouvernance vers une mise en œuvre globale plus efficiente.

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II –INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

La France, qui a soutenu le processus synergies, estime que la réforme des secrétariats pour établir des fonctions conjointes de gestion est en bonne voie. La prochaine Conférence des Parties sera de ce point de vue déterminante pour entériner la nouvelle organisation que le Secrétaire exécutif conjoint proposera pour adoption par les Parties.

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

Du point de vue des autorités françaises, l'un des écueils à éviter dans ce processus de réorganisation sera la lourdeur administrative que pourrait entraîner la coordination accrue des trois secrétariats. L'autre enjeu sera d'aboutir à une structure administrative des services efficace et légère.

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) [Proposal for the organization of the secretariats](#) (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

A l'instar des Partie I et II, il apparaît difficile de juger les impacts des synergies étant donné que la mise en place des services conjoint étant encore récente. De plus, il nous semble important d'avoir les appréciations des secrétariats des trois Conventions qui sont les plus à même de rendre compte des effets des synergies sur la mise en œuvre au niveau mondial et régional. Par ailleurs, les avis des pays en développement et des économies en transitions seront également essentiels afin de prendre en compte les potentielles difficultés liées au processus synergies et de prendre note des progrès réalisés grâce à celui-ci.

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

239. Submitting Party

France

240. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent)

Department:
Sous direction de l'environnement et des ressources naturelles

Location:
Paris

241. Name and contact detail of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent) Submitting officer

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242. Party status

- * **Basel Convention (BC)** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
- * **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Slightly Improved

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Don't Know

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Don't Know

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Good**

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Good**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Good**

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Comme pour la Section A, les résultats relatifs aux activités conjointes sont positifs mais encore difficiles à mesurer. Pour la France qui dispose d'une autorité nationale désignée par convention au sein de la Direction de la prévention des risques du Ministère de l'écologie, du développement durable et de l'énergie, la coordination au niveau régionale est importante dans le cadre la mise en œuvre des règlements européens (PIC, POP et transfert transfrontière de déchets).

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Not answered

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Not answered

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

25. Submitting Party

France

26. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent)

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Paris

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28. Entities involved in completing this questionnaire (tick box)

Basel Convention Competent Authority
Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point
Stockholm Convention National Focal Point
Other (Please specify):
Ministère des Affaires étrangères, après consultation des 3 entités sus mentionnées

GEORGIA

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field: technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

Georgian side is not actively involved in joint activities regarding synergies decisions. Focal point of all of the three conventions is the Division of Chemicals and Waste Management under the Ministry of Environmental Protection, it makes the cooperation between three conventions easier. Information exchange on the country level is enhanced by gathering all the information in only one governmental body, it makes the cooperation process more cost and time effective.

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

It would be better to provide some concise guidelines regarding the synergies arrangements. More reader friendly resources will enhance level of awareness regarding above mentioned arrangements in Georgia and not only.

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

no comments

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

no comments

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) [Proposal for the organization of the secretariats](#) (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

no comments

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

no comments

239. Submitting Party

Georgia

240. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent)

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242. Party status

* **Basel Convention (BC)** *

* **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” *No answer*

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Don't Know

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Don't Know

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Don't Know

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Don't Know

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Don't Know

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Don't Know

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010)

Good

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions"

Very Good

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010)

Don't Know

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions"

Don't Know

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010)

Don't Know

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions"

Don't Know

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

N/A

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

N/A

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

N/A

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

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28. Entities involved in completing this questionnaire (tick box)

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- * **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
- * **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

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Subject: Review of the synergies arrangements: Questionnaire for Parties

Dear Mr. Shubber, Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Convention,
Dear Dr. Norgbey (UNEP) and Mr. Bhouraskar (FAO),

following your request of 16.05.2012 regarding review of the Synergies Arrangements,
the German official contact points and focal point were asked by the Ministry for
Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety to complete the questionnaire in an
Excel file, labelling their responses with the letters B (for Basel Convention), R (for
Rotterdam Convention) and S (for Stockholm Convention).

The compilation of the responses showed many differences in valuation offered by the
German official contact points and focal point, i.e. in approx. 72 % (Section A) to 66
% (Section B) cases. Evidently, such differences are due to the different
implementation context of the conventions in the chemicals and waste cluster. These
differences are in our opinion justifiable and should not be "artificially" smoothed or
eliminated.

Submission of the online questionnaire requires a single answer to each question, which
should be representative for the official contacts points and focal point. However, we
do not consider transformation of different responses into uniform answers as
appropriate means of analysis and further evaluation of the response from Germany.
Therefore, instead of submitting the online questionnaire, we have opted for providing
overviews of the answers from the official contacts points and focal point regarding
Section A and B in an Excel file (attachment 1) and some further analysis on the basis
of this overview (attachment 2).

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Review of the Synergies Arrangements

Analysis of the responses from the German official contacts points and focal point to the Questionnaires of the Secretariat (Section A) and UNEP/FAO (Section B) of 16.05.2012

Section A

- Questions/items on
 - capacity building programmes at the regional level (1.1b),
 - cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices (1.2a),
 - South-South-cooperation (1.2b),
 - synchronisation of the submission of the reports (2.1a),
 - joint capacity building activities (2.1b),
 - streamlining of reporting formats (2.1c) and
 - support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms (2.2a)

are frequently not applicable to Germany.

- Other questions/items. e.g. on
 - exchange of information between the Secretariats on compliance/non-compliance mechanisms (2.2b),
 - resource mobilisation (4) and
 - proposal for the organisation of the Secretariats (Part III, c)

are frequently hardly possible to answer, since relevant information or experiences are not available to date.

- With respect to further questions/items in Section A that are applicable to Germany it may generally be said that, no significant changes have occurred so far. This applies especially to the following:
 - development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions (1.1a),
 - development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (1.1d),
 - cooperation on technical and scientific issues (2.3a),
 - clearing-house mechanisms (3.1),
 - public awareness (3.2a),
 - publications (3.2b),
 - joint input into other processes (3.3),
 - establishment of a joint management group (Part II, a),
 - coordinated meetings of the COPs (Part II, e),
 - synchronisation of budget cycles (Part II, f),
 - (partially) temporary establishment of joint services (Part III, a),
 - (partially) joint information technology services (Part III, d).

- In some cases one or two of the official contacts points and focal point have noted improvements.

S:

- development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions (1.1a),
- streamlining of reporting formats (2.1c),
- exchange of information between the Secretariats on compliance/non-compliance mechanisms (2.2b),
- cooperation on technical and scientific issues (2.3a),
- public awareness (3.2a),
- resource mobilisation (4),
- coordinated meetings of the COPs (Part II, e).

R:

- development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (1.1d).

B:

- establishment of a joint management group (Part II, a)
- (partially) joint information technology services (Part III, d).

BS:

- establishment of a joint head (Part III, c)
- modification of the organisation of the Secretariats (Part II, d),
- (partially) temporary establishment of joint services (Part III, a).

Section B

- Questions/items on

- joint activities (3, 5-8, 13, 14)
- resource mobilisation (20, 21)

are hardly possible to answer to date or not applicable to GERMANY.

- Frequency of joint activities was differently assessed by the official contacts points and focal point, so that an „averaged“ response is not deemed appropriate (1-3: „never“ to „frequent“).
- two of the official contacts points and focal point gave a positive note („good“) regarding the following questions/items:
 - implementation of joint activities at the national level (4)
 - effective and efficient use of resources (12),
 - financial, administrative and legal support arrangements (15, 16),
 - quality of information technology services and clearing-house mechanism (17),
 - public information products provided by the Secretariats (18),
 - effectiveness of resource mobilisation at the national level (19).
- Responses from the official contacts points and focal point in Section B are indifferent to the reference time (i.e. prior to the adoption of the Synergies Decisions or under implementation of the synergies Decisions). In other words, the synergies process had in general only minor effects on the work on the national level in Germany.

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

Item		Significantly improved	Improved	No changes	Worse	Significantly worse	Not applicable	No opinion	Comments
Part I.	Joint Activities								
1.1.(a)	Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions								
1	national level			BS				R	
2	regional level			BS				R	
3	global level		S					BR	
4	coherent policy guidance		S	B				R	
5	administrative burden			BR\$					
6	effective and efficient use of resources			BS				R	
7	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)						RS	B	
8	human health / environment							BR\$	
1.1.(b)	Capacity building programmes and programmatic cooperation in the field								
9	national level						BR\$		
10	regional level						BR\$		
11	global level						BR	S	
12	coherent policy guidance						BR\$		
13	administrative burden			R			BS		
14	effective and efficient use of resources			R			BS		
15	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)						BR\$		
16	human health / environment						BS	R	
1.1.(c)	Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level								
17	national level			B			S	R	
18	regional level			B			S	R	
19	global level						S	BR	
20	coherent policy guidance			B			S	R	
21	administrative burden			BR\$					
22	effective and efficient use of resources			B				RS	
23	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)						RS	B	
24	human health / environment							BR\$	
1.1.(d)	Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)								
25	national level			BR\$					
26	regional level			BR				S	
27	global level		R					BS	
28	coherent policy guidance			BR				S	
29	administrative burden			BR\$					
30	effective and efficient use of resources			B				RS	
31	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)						RS	B	
32	human health / environment							BR\$	
1.2.(a)	Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices								
33	national level						BR	S	
34	regional level						BR	S	
35	global level						BR	S	
36	coherent policy guidance						BR	S	
37	administrative burden						BR\$		
38	effective and efficient use of resources						BR\$		
39	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)						BR\$		
40	human health / environment						BR\$		
1.2.(b)	South- South Cooperation								
41	national level						BR\$		
42	regional level						BR\$		
43	global level						BR\$		
44	coherent policy guidance						BR\$		
45	administrative burden						BR\$		

46	effective and efficient use of resources					BR\$	
47	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					BR\$	
48	human health / environment					BR\$	
2.1.(a)	Synchronization of the submission of reports						On questions 49-56: So far, the submission of reports was not synchronized
49	national level		RS			B	
50	regional level		R			BS	
51	global level					BS	R
52	coherent policy guidance					BS	R
53	administrative burden		RS			B	
54	effective and efficient use of resources					B	RS
55	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					BR\$	
56	human health / environment					B	RS
2.1.(b)	Joint capacity building activities on national reporting						
57	national level					BR\$	
58	regional level					BR\$	
59	global level					BR\$	
60	coherent policy guidance					BR\$	
61	administrative burden					BR\$	
62	effective and efficient use of resources					BR\$	
63	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					BR\$	
64	human health / environment					BR\$	
2.1.(c)	Streamlining of reporting formats						On questions 65-72: So far, the Basel reporting format has not been changed
65	national level	S	R			B	
66	regional level		R			BS	
67	global level					BS	R
68	coherent policy guidance	S	R			B	
69	administrative burden	S	R			B	
70	effective and efficient use of resources					B	RS
71	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					BR\$	
72	human health / environment					B	RS
2.2.(a)	Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established						On questions 73-80: This question is premature, no compliance mechanism except for Basel has been established
73	national level					BR	S
74	regional level					BR\$	
75	global level					BR\$	
76	coherent policy guidance					BR	S
77	administrative burden					BR	S
78	effective and efficient use of resources	S				BR	
79	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					BR\$	
80	human health / environment	S				BR	
2.2.(b)	Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms						
81	national level	S	R				B
82	regional level		R			S	B
83	global level		R			S	B
84	coherent policy guidance	S	R				B
85	administrative burden		R				BS
86	effective and efficient use of resources		R				BS
87	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)		R			S	B
88	human health / environment		R				BS
2.3.(a)	Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies						
89	national level	S	BR				
90	regional level	S	BR				
91	global level	S					BR
92	coherent policy guidance		BR				S
93	administrative burden					BR\$	
94	effective and efficient use of resources	S	B				R

95	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B	
96	human health / environment	S				BR	
2.3.(b)	Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes						On questions 97-104. This updating to include 10 new POPs has not yet taken place.
97	national level				BR	S	
98	regional level				BRS		
99	global level				BRS		
100	coherent policy guidance				BR	S	
101	administrative burden				BR		
102	effective and efficient use of resources				BR	S	
103	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				BRS		
104	human health / environment				BR	S	
3.1.	Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange						
105	national level		BR		S		
106	regional level		BR		S		
107	global level				RS	B	
108	coherent policy guidance		BR		S		
109	administrative burden		BR		S		
110	effective and efficient use of resources		B		S	R	
111	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B	
112	human health / environment				S	BR	
3.2.(a)	Joint outreach and public awareness						
113	national level	S	BR				
114	regional level	S	BR				
115	global level				S	BR	
116	coherent policy guidance		BR			S	
117	administrative burden		BRS				
118	effective and efficient use of resources		B			RS	
119	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B	
120	human health / environment	S				BR	
3.2.(b)	Publications						
121	national level		BRS				
122	regional level		BR		S		
123	global level				S	BR	
124	coherent policy guidance		BR			S	
125	administrative burden		BR	S			
126	effective and efficient use of resources		B	S		R	
127	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B	
128	human health / environment	S				BR	
3.3.	Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks						
129	national level		BRS				
130	regional level		BR		S		
131	global level		R		S	B	
132	coherent policy guidance		B			RS	
133	administrative burden		BS			R	
134	effective and efficient use of resources		BR			S	
135	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B	
136	human health / environment	S				BR	
4.	Resource mobilization						
137	national level	S				BR	
138	regional level	S				BR	
139	global level					BRS	
140	coherent policy guidance		B			RS	
141	administrative burden		BS			R	
142	effective and efficient use of resources		B			RS	
143	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B	
144	human health / environment	S				BR	

Part I. Joint Activities						
145	challenges / obstacles experienced					The synergies process had in general only minor effects on the work on the national level in Germany; in case cooperation between the three conventions was necessary to implement the three conventions, it has in general already taken place.
146	recommendations on further steps					BR
Part II. Joint Managerial Functions						
(a)	Establishment of a joint management group					
147	national level		BR\$			
148	regional level		BR\$			
149	global level	B			S	R
150	coherent policy guidance		B			RS
151	administrative burden	B	RS			
152	effective and efficient use of resources	B				RS
153	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B
154	human health / environment					BR\$
(b)	Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats					
155	national level		BS			R
156	regional level		BS			R
157	global level				S	BR
158	coherent policy guidance		BS			R
159	administrative burden		BS			R
160	effective and efficient use of resources		B			RS
161	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B
162	human health / environment					BR\$
(c)	Establishment of a joint head					
163	national level		BR\$			
164	regional level		BR\$			
165	global level	B			S	R
166	coherent policy guidance	S	BR			
167	administrative burden	B	RS			
168	effective and efficient use of resources	B				RS
169	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B
170	human health / environment				S	BR
(d)	Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)					
171	national level		BR\$			
172	regional level		BR			S
173	global level				S	BR
174	coherent policy guidance	S	BR			
175	administrative burden	B	S			R
176	effective and efficient use of resources	B	R			S
177	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B
178	human health / environment				R	BS
(e)	Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)					
179	national level		BR\$			
180	regional level		BR			S
181	global level				S	BR
182	coherent policy guidance	S	BR			
183	administrative burden		RS			B
184	effective and efficient use of resources	S				BR
185	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)				RS	B
186	human health / environment				S	BR
(f)	Synchronization of budget cycles					
187	national level		BR\$			
188	regional level		BR		S	
189	global level				S	BR
190	coherent policy guidance		BR\$			

191	administrative burden			BR\$			
192	effective and efficient use of resources			B			RS
193	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					RS	B
194	human health / environment					S	BR
(g)	Joint audits						
195	national level			BS		R	
196	regional level			B		R	S
197	global level					RS	B
198	coherent policy guidance			B		R	S
199	administrative burden			B		R	S
200	effective and efficient use of resources			B		R	S
201	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					RS	B
202	human health / environment					R	BS
Part II.	Joint Managerial Functions						
203	challenges / obstacles experienced						
204	recommendations on further steps						
Part III.	Joint Services						
(a)	Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)						
205	national level			BR\$			
206	regional level			BR			S
207	global level					S	BR
208	coherent policy guidance	S	BR				
209	administrative burden	B	RS				
210	effective and efficient use of resources	B					RS
211	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					RS	B
212	human health / environment						BR\$
(b)	Establishment of Joint Services (2010)						
213	national level			BR\$			
214	regional level			BR			S
215	global level					S	BR
216	coherent policy guidance	S	B				R
217	administrative burden	B	RS				
218	effective and efficient use of resources	B					RS
219	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					RS	B
220	human health / environment						BR\$
(c)	Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)						
221	national level						BR\$
222	regional level						BR\$
223	global level						BR\$
224	coherent policy guidance						BR\$
225	administrative burden						BR\$
226	effective and efficient use of resources						BR\$
227	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)						BR\$
228	human health / environment						BR\$
(d)	Joint information technology services						
229	national level			BR\$			
230	regional level			BR			S
231	global level					S	BR
232	coherent policy guidance			BR			S
233	administrative burden	B	RS				
234	effective and efficient use of resources	B					RS
235	global concerns / specific needs (economies in transition)					RS	B
236	human health / environment						BR\$
Part III.	Joint Services						
237	challenges / obstacles experienced						
238	recommendations on further steps						

On questions 221-228: How can a proposal affect something?

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

Item	Never	Infrequent	Frequent	Very Frequent	Don't Know	Comments
Joint Activities						
Implementation of Substantive Activities						
1a.	R	S	B			
1b.	R	S	B			
2a.		R			S	
2b.		R			S	
3a.					RS	
3d.					RS	
	Poor	Adequate	Good	Very Good	Don't Know	Comments
4a.			BS		R	
4b.			BS		R	
5a.			B		RS	
5b.			B		RS	
6a.					BRS	
6b.					BRS	
7a.		S			BR	
7b.		S			BR	
8a.					BRS	no need for coordination between BC and SC on reporting R: not relevant
8b.					BRS	no need for coordination between BC and SC on reporting R: not relevant
Item	Diminished	No change	Slightly Improved	Improved	Don't Know	Comments
9		BRS				
10		BRS				
11		BR			S	
12		R	BS			
Cooperation and Coordination on Technical Issues						
13					BS	R: not applicable
14					BS	R: not applicable
	Poor	Adequate	Good	Very Good	Don't Know	Comments
Joint Services						
Financial & Administrative Support Services						
15a.		S	BR			
15b.		S	BR			
Legal Services						
16a.		S	BR			
16b.		S	BR			
Information Technology Service / Clearing House Mechanism						
17a.			BR		S	
17b.			BR		S	

	Public Information Products and Services					
18a.	prior to adoption of syn. decisions			BRS		
18b.	under implementation of syn. decisions			BR	S	
	Resource Mobilisation					
19a.	prior to adoption of syn. decisions			BS		R
19b.	under implementation of syn. decisions			BS		R
20a.	prior to adoption of syn. decisions					BRS
20b.	under implementation of syn. decisions					BRS
21a.	prior to adoption of syn. decisions					BRS
21b.	under implementation of syn. decisions					BRS
	Additional information					
22	challenges / obstacles experienced					
						The synergies process had in general only minor effects on the work on the national level in Germany. In case cooperation between the three conventions was necessary to implement the three conventions, it has in general already taken place.
23	lessons learned					
24	recommendations on further steps					

GUATEMALA

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Significantly improved ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Frequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Frequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Frequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Improved

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Improved

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Not answered

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Not answered

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Not answered

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

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Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

Not applicable *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

No answer

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

No answer

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

No answer

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

No answer

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

No answer

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

No answer

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II –INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

No answer

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

239. Submitting Party

ITALY

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* **Basel Convention (BC)** *
* **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
Stockholm Convention (SC)

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Never**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Never**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Never**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

No change

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

No change

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

No change

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Improved

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Slightly improved

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JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Not answered

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Not answered

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Not answered

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

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Stockholm Convention National Focal Point
Other (Please specify):

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Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Significantly improved ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Significantly improved ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Significantly improved ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Significantly improved ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Significantly improved ***

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Significantly improved ***

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Significantly improved ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Significantly improved ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Significantly improved ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Significantly improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Significantly improved ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Significantly improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Significantly improved ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Significantly improved ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

L'élaboration des textes réglementaires et les activités de sensibilisation sont des activités à mettre en œuvre dans les pays n'ayant pas le moyen financier à réaliser les autres objectifs en matière de synergie

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

Donc sur terrain, on a constaté une divergence d'idée entre les administration environnementale (protéger la santé humaine et l'environnement) et les consommateurs des produits chimiques (anéantir les ravageurs domestiques ou sauvages), la protection de l'environnement s'il s'agit d'un accident chimique ou au cours des application que devenir des espèces non cibles C'est bien d'avoir des techniciens et experts spécifiques œuvrant dans les trois conventions qui vont s'occuper des activités relatives aux mesures technique, politique et administrative au niveau du globe qui pourrait être prises afin qu'il n'y ait pas de chevauchement entre les intérêts de consommateur et les administrateurs. Cette remarque est applicable pour tous les parties prenantes et les institutions etc.. On devrait renforcer tous les activités de douanes surtout sur l'importation et exportation des produits, sensibilisation, renforcement des capacités scientifiques des pays Parties, importation gratuite sans pour autant craindre à la durée de leur préemption qui augmente le taux des produits expirés de date ou obsolètes

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) [Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions](#) (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(e) [Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties \(COPs\)](#)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) [Proposal for the organization of the secretariats](#) (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Significantly improved ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Significantly improved ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

239. Submitting Party

MADAGASCAR

240. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent)

Department:

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242. Party status

* **Basel Convention (BC)** *

* **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Never**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Slightly Improved

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Slightly Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Don't Know

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

No change

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Adequate

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Adequate

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Adequate

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Manque d'information et de communication nationale entre les mises en œuvre effective de ces 3 conventions

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Projection nationale de la synergie avec élaboration d'un texte national (Loi, Décret, Arrêté,...).
Madagascar a déjà mis au niveau national un texte sur le Bureau national de synergie et le comité National de Synergie (Toutes les institutions sont impliquées)

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Non

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

25. Submitting Party

MADAGASCAR

26. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent)

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MINISTRE DES AFFAIRES ETRANGERES

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28. Entities involved in completing this questionnaire (tick box)

- * **Basel Convention Competent Authority** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
- * **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

Other (Please specify):
POINT FOCAL NATIONAL DE LA CONVENTION DE BÂLE

MALAYSIA

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I –INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

Constrain on small delegation from developing countries in participating meetings if held in parallel.

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

1.Reporting to remain separated by convention

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Worse *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No impact since the conventions are handled by different agencies separately.

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No comment.

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No comment

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No comment.

239. Submitting Party

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242. Party status

* **Basel Convention (BC)** *
* **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
Stockholm Convention (SC)

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Frequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Good

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Good

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

No change

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

No change

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

No change

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Don't Know

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Slightly improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Good**

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Don't Know**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Very Good**

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Challenges when a country is not party to all three conventions.

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Challenges when a country is not party to all three conventions.

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Not answered

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

25. Submitting Party

MALAYSIA

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28. Entities involved in completing this questionnaire (tick box)

- * **Basel Convention Competent Authority** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
- * **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

Other (Please specify):

MEXICO

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Worse *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Worse ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Worse *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Worse *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** Worse ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No

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PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Worse *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

Si, es conveniente optimizar recursos en las distintas actividades de servicios conjunto.

Por otra parte, es importante considerar que los formatos para la presentacion de informes sean mas amigables y se acompañen de una guia que permita resolver las dudas.

Asi mismo, se pide poner mayor enfasis en las traducciones todavez que en ocasiones no son claras las preguntas (por que la traduccion no se realizo correctamente) y por lo tanto las respuestas pueden variar significativamente

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No

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* **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Slightly Improved

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Slightly Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Slightly improved

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Slightly improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Adequate

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Adequate

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Adequate

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Adequate

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Si, para el caso del país, falta la reglamentación al Convenio de Estocolmo; así como coordinación nacional para la aplicación del Plan Nacional de Implementación y participación responsable de todos los sectores.

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Si, la optimización de recursos mediante la eficiencia y eficacia de la operación de los secretariados.

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Si, que se orienten más al apoyo a países en desarrollo y considerar que con el ahorro de recursos se pongan a disposición para la traducción de los documentos en más idiomas y de mejor calidad.

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SUBMITTER INFORMATION

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Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point
Stockholm Convention National Focal Point
Other (Please specify):
AND del Convenio de Rotterdam

MONTENEGRO

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field: technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

3.3 [Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks](#)

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

4. [Resource mobilization](#)

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

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PART II –INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

239. Submitting Party

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Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

** No opinion **

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

** No opinion **

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

** No opinion **

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

** No opinion **

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PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

I would like to highlight the point that any country who is a party to only one or two conventions should not be left out to attend the meeting, workshop, seminar and training program under SGP-Synergy Program. For example, As Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, National Environmental Engineering Research Institute(CSIR-NEERI),India is Stockholm Convention (SC) Regional Centre on POPs for Asia Region, held a training program on Capacity Building for ESM of PCBs in November 2011. However Myanmar has been left out after sending the nominations because the Secretariat of Stockholm Convention instructed that participating country must be a signatory to all the three conventions by the clarification from CSIR-NEERI,India. So, I would like to recommend that if a country is a party to only one convention, one participant should attend to it.

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PART II –INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

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204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

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238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

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Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Never**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Frequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Frequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Never**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Poor

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

No change

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

No change

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

No change

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

No change

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

No change

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

No change

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Poor

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

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23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

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24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

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SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

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Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No answer

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

No answer

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

No answer

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

** Improved **

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

** Improved **

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

** Improved **

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

** Improved **

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) [Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions](#) (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(e) [Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties \(COPs\)](#)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** Not applicable ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) [Proposal for the organization of the secretariats](#) (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

239. Submitting Party

Philippines

240. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent)

Department:
Environment and Natural Resources

Location:
No answer

241. Name and contact detail of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent) Submitting officer

Name:
N/A

Address:
No answer

242. Party status

- * **Basel Convention (BC)** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
- * **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

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Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

No Answer

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) [Proposal for the organization of the secretariats](#) (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

239. Submitting Party

ROMANIA

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242. Party status

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- * **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
- * **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Frequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Good

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Good

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Good

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Improved

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Don't Know

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Don't Know

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Good**

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Good**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Good**

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Not answered

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Not answered

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Not answered

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

25. Submitting Party

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* **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
* **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

Other (Please specify):

SLOVAKIA

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes
97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Not applicable *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) [Proposal for the organization of the secretariats](#) (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Not applicable ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Not applicable ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No

239. Submitting Party

Slovak Republic

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242. Party status

- * **Basel Convention (BC)** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
- * **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Don't Know

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Don't Know

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” Adequate

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

No change

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

No change

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Don't Know

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Slightly Improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Don't Know

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Slightly improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Good**

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Very Good**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) **Very Good**

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" **Very Good**

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

BCRC in Slovakia operates with countries with economies in transition.

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

No

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

BCRC organised regional workshop for strengthening of cooperation and coordination of MEAS in 2010: "Regional Awareness Raising Workshop on enhancing cooperation and coordination for the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions in Central and Eastern European countries", Bratislava, November 2010

BCRC coordinates project under "Small Grant Programme" aimed at "Strengthening the capacity to monitor and control the transboundary movements of chemicals and hazardous wastes in Croatia, Montenegro and Serbia"

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

25. Submitting Party

Slovak Republic

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- * **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
- * **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

Other (Please specify):

SWITZERLAND

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Not applicable ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Not applicable ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Not applicable ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

No answer

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Significantly improved ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Significantly improved ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No opinion ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No opinion ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No opinion ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Significantly improved *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Significantly improved ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

According to our assessment, the Secretariat's joint activities have contributed to increased synergies in the manner and to the extent that could be expected at this point in time. It seems clear that the measures will have a much stronger impact as time progresses. Yet, there are already many positive effects to be noted and many small success stories to be told. Switzerland is for example pleased to have supported a project on the destruction of POPs and ODS in which the Basel and Stockholm Convention and the Montreal Protocol are involved. This project helped to raise awareness at national as well as at global level on possible synergies between these three instruments. It is just one concrete example of improvements being made through the synergies process.

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

Recommendations to the Secretariat: We commend the secretariat for the good facilitation and coordination of the joint activities and hope that this efficiency and effectiveness continues. We believe that these joint activities can be used as the basis for exploring further opportunities of coordination and cooperation. We also support the involvement and cooperation of the regional coordination centers in these activities. The possibility to integrate more the UNEP regional center may be worth to explore further. In addition, we recommend that the Secretariat brings proposals to the COPs attention and points to potential areas of synergies to be explored in the future.

Recommendation to parties: Parties should continue to monitor the progress being achieved through increased synergies. They should also continue supporting the joint activities with expertise and financial resources as they are in the best interest of meeting the objectives of the conventions in an effective and efficient manner. Therefore, parties should continue to raise awareness at national and regional level for joint activities. Last but not least, parties should also explore options to further enhance collaboration and coordination with other instruments in the chemicals and waste regime such as the Montreal Protocol or SAICM.

UNEP, FAO: We welcome their support for the synergy process as such and consider important that they continue their efforts in a transparent manner to enhance their programmatic cooperation in the field in view to support the coordinated implementation of the three conventions.

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PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Not applicable *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Not applicable *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Significantly improved *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Not applicable *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Significantly improved *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

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PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

The new joint managerial functions have been operational only for a limited period of time. According to our general assessment, there are already significant improvements in all aspects of a synergistic functioning of the three conventions, in particular at the global level. However, it is obvious that the effects will be even more significant the longer the new joint managerial structures are in place. Also at the national and regional levels, it will take some more time for adjustments to be made before the full effect of the joint managerial functions will be felt.

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

Recommendations to:

the Secretariat: We commend the Secretariat for the inclusive preparation and smooth implementation of the reorganisation of the secretariat while fully respecting the legal autonomy of the the three conventions. The new managerial structure allows for an efficient and effective Secretariat support for the parties and for a reduction of administrative burdens. However, further measures will be necessary in order to maximize the contribution towards the synergies' objectives. For example, is it important to keep the number of senior management positions at a level that corresponds with the reorganized secretariat structure and that remains affordable.

the Parties: Parties should take a decision on the continuation of the joint managerial structures that is on the one hand based on the limited evidence available and on the other hand forward looking towards the future regime needed to cope with challenges in the area of chemicals and waste constructively.

UNEP, FAO: We welcome their continued support for the joint managerial functions and its implementation. UNEP and the FAO should not be shy in making their experiences and also their ideas for further improvements known to the parties.

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Significantly improved *

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

The latest proposal (Dez 2011) on the organization of the secretariats is the most far reaching one and we are certain it will make a significant contribution to meeting the objectives of the synergies' process. However, given that the changes are only being implemented for a relatively short time, not all the expected effects could already be felt, in particular at the regional and national level. Nevertheless, there is enough evidence to be certain that we are moving in to the right direction and that the process need to be continued.

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

Recommendation to

the secretariat: We comend the secretariat for the smooth and inclusive reorganisation of the Secretariat. We consider the new structure as a crucial step in the right direction so that the Secretariat support for the parties can be provided in a more coherent, coordinated, efficent and effective manner.

the parties: Based on the good experiencs of working with the secretariat through the joint services, we recommend for the parties to evaluate whether progress could be enhanced through further developing the joint services and through including other entities of the chemicals and waste regime. In this regard consideration of some technical issues listed in the synergy decsion BC IX/10 could be considered for furhter enhancing of cooperation and coordination.

UNEP, FAO and other institutions:

We welcome their support for the establishment of joint services and consider important their continued engagement for the implemenation and further development of the process.

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242. Party status

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* **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *

* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Frequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Never**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Frequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Very Good

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Good

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

Poor

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Good

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Improved

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Improved

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JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Slightly improved

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Improved

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JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Very Good

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Good

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Very Good

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Good

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Generally, the impact of the steps undertaken for putting the respective decisions on synergies into practice could already be seen and felt. This is quite surprising, giving the relatively little time they are in effect. According to our assessment, the synergies process is on a good way, but has by far not reached its full potential. It is therefore important for parties, UNEP, FAO and the Secretariats to draw the right lessons and continue the process with renewed impetus.

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Most of the measures undertaken by UNEP, FAO and the Secretariat to strengthen coordination and cooperation are relatively recent. They need to be mirrored and internalised by countries at the national level, which will take some time. Only then, the benefits of improved synergetic arrangements will also transpire to the national level.

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

UNEP and FAO should in a first step make an objective assessment of the implementation of the Synergies Decisions. Based on this, UNEP and FAO should in a second step formulate their own views and recommendations on the matter. In doing so, UNEP and the FAO should also give their forward-looking opinion on the kind of regime and structures needed for addressing the future international challenges related to chemicals and waste in a coordinated, coherent, effective and efficient manner.

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- * **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
- * **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

Other (Please specify):

TURKEY

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Not applicable *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Not applicable *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

None

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

None

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II –INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Worse *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Worse *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

None

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

None

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No opinion ***

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No opinion ***

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No opinion ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

None

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

None

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242. Party status

* **Basel Convention (BC)** *
Rotterdam Convention (RC)
* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Frequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint

activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

No change

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

No change

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

No change

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

No change

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Don't Know

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Slightly improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Poor

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Poor

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Poor

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Poor

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Poor

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Poor

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Poor**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Poor**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

None

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

None

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

None

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

25. Submitting Party

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28. Entities involved in completing this questionnaire (tick box)

* **Basel Convention Competent Authority** *
* **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
* **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

Other (Please specify):

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

** No changes **

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

** No changes **

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

** No changes **

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* Significantly improved *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Significantly improved *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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* **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

UKRAINE

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral EnvironmentAgreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No changes ***

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Not applicable ***

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Not applicable ***

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** No changes ***

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** No changes ***

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No changes ***

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Not applicable *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Not applicable *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** No changes ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** No changes ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** No opinion ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3.2. Public awareness, outreach and publications

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

3.3 [Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks](#)

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** No changes ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(d) Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(e) Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties (COPs)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No changes *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No changes *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No changes *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No changes *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No changes *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No changes *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No changes *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

** No changes **

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

** No changes **

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

** No opinion **

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

** No changes **

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

** No changes **

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

** No changes **

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

** No changes **

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

** No changes **

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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- * **Basel Convention (BC)** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
- * **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Infrequent**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Infrequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint

activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Slightly Improved

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Slightly Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

No change

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

No change

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Don't Know

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Slightly improved

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Adequate

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Adequate

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Adequate

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the "Synergies Decision" BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and "Omnibus Decisions" (2010) Good

Under implementation of the "Synergies Decision" and "Omnibus Decisions" Good

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g., websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Good**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Adequate**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) **Don't Know**

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Don't Know**

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Not answered

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Not answered

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Not answered

SECTION B: UNEP AND FAO QUESTIONNAIRE

SUBMITTER INFORMATION

25. Submitting Party

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- * **Rotterdam Convention Designated Focal Point** *
- * **Stockholm Convention National Focal Point** *

Other (Please specify):

URUGUAY

Section A: Secretariat's questionnaire

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

1. Organizational issues in the field

1.1. [Coordination at the national level and programmatic cooperation in the field](#): technical assistance and capacity building

(a) Development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions

1. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

2. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

3. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

4. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

5. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions reduced administrative burden?

No answer

6. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

7. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

8. Has the development of tools to support countries in implementing the conventions protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Capacity building programmes at the regional level

9. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

10. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

11. Have regional capacity-building programmes strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

12. Have regional capacity-building programmes promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

13. Have regional capacity-building programmes reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

14. Have regional capacity-building programmes maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

15. Have regional capacity-building programmes taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

16. Have regional capacity-building programmes protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(c) Support to the sound chemicals and wastes management at the national level

17. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

18. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

19. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

20. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

21. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

22. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

23. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

24. Has the support to the sound management of chemicals and wastes at the national level protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(d) Development of partnerships with other Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)

25. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

26. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

27. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

28. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

29. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs reduced administrative burden?

*** No changes ***

30. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

31. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

32. Has the development of partnerships with other MEAs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

1.2. Coordinated use of regional centres: Regional centres and south south cooperation

(a) Cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices

33. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

34. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

35. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

36. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

37. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

38. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

No answer

39. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

No answer

40. Has the cooperation and coordination between regional centres and FAO and UNEP regional offices protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

No answer

(b) South- South Cooperation

41. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

42. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

43. Has South-South cooperation strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

44. Has South-South cooperation promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

45. Has South-South cooperation reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

46. Has South-South cooperation maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

47. Has South-South cooperation taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

48. Has South-South cooperation protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

2. Technical issues

2.1 [National reporting](#)

(a) Synchronization of the submission of reports

49. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

50. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

51. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

52. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

53. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

54. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

55. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

56. Has the synchronization of the submission of reports protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(b) Joint capacity building activities on national reporting

57. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

58. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

59. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

60. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

61. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

62. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

63. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

64. Have joint capacity building activities on national reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Streamlining of reporting formats

65. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

66. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

67. Has the streamlining of reporting strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

68. Has the streamlining of reporting promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

69. Has the streamlining of reporting reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

70. Has the streamlining of reporting maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

71. Has the streamlining of reporting taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

72. Has the streamlining of reporting protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

2.2. Compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

(a) Proposal for enhancing coordination among and support to compliance/non-compliance mechanisms once they are established

73. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

74. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

75. Has this proposal strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

76. Has this proposal promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

77. Has this proposal reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

78. Has this proposal maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

79. Has this proposal taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

80. Has this proposal protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Exchange of information between the Secretariats on progress made on the operation and establishment of the compliance/non-compliance mechanisms

81. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

82. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

83. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

84. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

85. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

86. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

87. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

88. Has this exchange of information between the Secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

2.3 Cooperation on technical and scientific issues

(a) Support the work of and coordination between scientific bodies

89. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Improved ***

90. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Improved ***

91. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Improved ***

92. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Improved ***

93. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies reduced administrative burden?

*** Improved ***

94. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Improved ***

95. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

96. Has the support to the work of and the coordination between scientific bodies protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

(b) Support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach: update of technical guidelines on POPs wastes

97. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

*** Significantly improved ***

98. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

*** Significantly improved ***

99. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

*** Significantly improved ***

100. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach promoted coherent policy guidance?

*** Significantly improved ***

101. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach reduced administrative burden?

*** Significantly improved ***

102. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** Significantly improved ***

103. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Significantly improved ***

104. Has the support to Parties' implementation of the lifecycle approach protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Significantly improved ***

3. Information management and public awareness issues

3.1 Clearing-house mechanism for information exchange

105. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

106. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

107. Has the clearing-house mechanism strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

108. Has the clearing-house mechanism promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

109. Has the clearing-house mechanism reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

110. Has the clearing-house mechanism maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

111. Has the clearing-house mechanism taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

112. Has the clearing-house mechanism protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.2. [Public awareness, outreach and publications](#)

(a) Joint outreach and public awareness

113. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

114. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

115. Has joint outreach and public awareness strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

116. Has joint outreach and public awareness promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

117. Has joint outreach and public awareness reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

118. Has joint outreach and public awareness maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

119. Has joint outreach and public awareness taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

120. Has joint outreach and public awareness protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Publications

121. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

122. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

123. Have publications strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

124. Have publications promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

125. Have publications reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

126. Have publications maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

127. Have publications taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

128. Have publications protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

3.3 Joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks

129. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

130. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

131. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

132. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

133. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

134. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

135. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

136. Has the joint input into other processes and cooperation with organizations and networks protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

4. Resource mobilization

137. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Significantly improved *

138. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Significantly improved *

139. Has resource mobilization strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

140. Has resource mobilization promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

141. Has resource mobilization reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

142. Has resource mobilization maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

*** No opinion ***

143. Has resource mobilization taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

*** Improved ***

144. Has resource mobilization protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

*** Improved ***

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I – INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARIAT'S JOINT ACTIVITIES

145. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint activities?

No answer

146. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint activities, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

(a) Establishment of a joint management group

147. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

148. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

149. Has the establishment of a joint management group strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

150. Has the establishment of a joint management group promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

151. Has the establishment of a joint management group reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

152. Has the establishment of a joint management group maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

153. Has the establishment of a joint management group taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

154. Has the establishment of a joint management group protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Study on the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the secretariats

155. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

156. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

157. Has this study strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

158. Has this study promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

159. Has this study reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

160. Has this study maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

161. Has this study taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

162. Has this study protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(c) Establishment of a joint head

163. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

No answer

164. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

165. Has the establishment of a joint head strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

166. Has the establishment of a joint head promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

167. Has the establishment of a joint head reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

168. Has the establishment of a joint head maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

169. Has the establishment of a joint head taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

170. Has the establishment of a joint head protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(d) [Modification of the organization of the secretariats of the three conventions](#) (April 2011)

171. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

172. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

173. Has the reorganization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

174. Has the reorganization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* Improved *

175. Has the reorganization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

176. Has the reorganization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

177. Has the reorganization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

178. Has the reorganization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(e) [Coordinated meetings of the Conferences of the Parties \(COPs\)](#)

179. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

180. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

181. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

182. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

183. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

184. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

185. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

186. Have coordinated meetings of the COPs protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(f) Synchronization of budget cycles

187. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

188. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

189. Has the synchronization of budget cycles strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

190. Has the synchronization of budget cycles promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

191. Has the synchronization of budget cycles reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

192. Has the synchronization of budget cycles maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

193. Has the synchronization of budget cycles taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

194. Has the synchronization of budget cycles protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(g) Joint audits

195. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* No opinion *

196. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* No opinion *

197. Have joint audits strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

198. Have joint audits promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

199. Have joint audits reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

200. Have joint audits maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

201. Have joint audits taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* No opinion *

202. Have joint audits protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART II – INFORMATION ON JOINT MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

203. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint managerial functions?

No answer

204. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint managerial functions, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

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PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

(a) Temporary establishment of Joint Services (2009)

205. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

206. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

207. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No changes *

208. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

209. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

210. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

211. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

212. Has the temporary establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

(b) Establishment of Joint Services (2010)

213. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

214. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

215. Has the establishment of Joint Services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

216. Has the establishment of Joint Services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

217. Has the establishment of Joint Services reduced administrative burden?

* Improved *

218. Has the establishment of Joint Services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* Improved *

219. Has the establishment of Joint Services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

220. Has the establishment of Joint Services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(c) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats (December 2011)

221. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

222. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

223. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* No opinion *

224. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

225. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

226. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

227. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

228. Has the proposal for the organization of the secretariats protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* No opinion *

(d) Joint information technology services

229. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the national level?

* Improved *

230. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the regional level?

* Improved *

231. Have joint information technology services strengthened the implementation of the three conventions at the global level?

* Improved *

232. Have joint information technology services promoted coherent policy guidance?

* No opinion *

233. Have joint information technology services reduced administrative burden?

* No opinion *

234. Have joint information technology services maximized the effective and efficient use of resources at all levels?

* No opinion *

235. Have joint information technology services taken into account global concerns and the specific needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition?

* Improved *

236. Have joint information technology services protected human health and the environment for the promotion of sustainable development?

* Improved *

SECTION A: SECRETARIAT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

PART III – INFORMATION ON JOINT SERVICES

237. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced in the achievement of the synergies' objectives through joint services?

No answer

238. Do you have any specific or general recommendations to parties, the secretariats, UNEP, FAO and other institutions and stakeholders as appropriate, on steps that could be taken to make the synergies arrangements, in particular on joint services, better contribute to the synergies' objectives?

No answer

239. Submitting Party

URUGUAY

240. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or equivalent)

Department:
DIRECCIÓN DE MEDIO AMBIENTE

Location:
No answer

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242. Party status

- * **Basel Convention (BC)** *
- * **Rotterdam Convention (RC)** *
- * **Stockholm Convention (SC)** *

Section B: UNEP and FAO questionnaire

JOINT ACTIVITIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., capacity building, technical guidance, research) implemented at the National level.

Prior to the adoption of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

2. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by Regional Centres.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

3. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the frequency of joint activities (e.g., projects, capacity building, technical guidance, research) undertaken by UNEP/FAO Regional Offices .

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Frequent**

4. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at National level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

5. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint activities at Regional level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

6. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with the implementation of joint

activities at Global level.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

7. Please tick the box that best represents the quality of guidance received and capacity building to enable streamlining of national reporting

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

8. Please tick the box that best represents the level of progress towards coordination and / or streamlining (e.g., coordination and simultaneous information collection mechanisms for BC and SC) of national reporting for the conventions

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Good**

9. How would you qualify the contribution of joint activities towards strengthening the implementation of the three conventions at the National level ?

Improved

10. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards reducing administrative burden of the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

11. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards promoting coherent policy guidance for the three conventions at the national level?

Improved

12. How would you qualify the contribution of joint-activities towards maximizing the effective and efficient use of resources for the three conventions?

Improved

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JOINT ACTIVITIES

COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON TECHNICAL ISSUES

13. To what extent has south-south cooperation and coordination been improved by joint implementation of the conventions? (e.g., sharing knowledge and good practice, regional guidelines etc.)

Improved

14. To what extent has cooperation and coordination between Regional Centres been improved by joint implementation of the conventions (e.g., guidance, regional projects, BAT / BEP)?

Improved

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JOINT SERVICES

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

15. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with financial and administrative support arrangements provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., for COP meetings)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

No answer

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Good

LEGAL SERVICES

16. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with legal services provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions (e.g., legal advice, guidance, model legislation to implement)

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

No answer

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Adequate

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE / CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM)

17. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the quality and relevance of Information Technology Services and CHM to facilitate and increase information sharing with and between parties.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010)

No answer

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions”

Very Good

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

18. Please tick the box that best represents your level of satisfaction with public information products (e.g.,

websites) and outreach services (e.g., press / news releases and publications) provided by the Secretariat(s) to the Conventions.

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Very Good**

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

19. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the National Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

20. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Regional Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

21. Please tick the box that best represents your opinion of the effectiveness of resource mobilisation efforts at the Global Level ?

Prior to the implementation of the “Synergies Decision” BCIX/10, RC-4/11, SC-4/34 (2008-09) and “Omnibus Decisions” (2010) *No answer*

Under implementation of the “Synergies Decision” and “Omnibus Decisions” **Adequate**

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

22. Do you have any additional information or comments on the challenges or obstacles experienced, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition, in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions?

Not answered

23. Do you have any specific or general lessons learned on strengthening coordination and cooperation between the conventions, particularly in developing countries and / or countries with economies in transition?

Pensar en instrumentos legislativos en el marco del ciclo de vida de las sustancias químicas ayuda a la comprensión integral del diseño del mismo, por ejemplo en qué etapas establecer los controles de gestión.

24. Do you have any specific or general recommendations for the UNEP – FAO Review of the "Synergies Decisions"?

Destacar al necesidad de contar con los centros regionales y coordinadores de los convenios de estocolmo y basilea fortalecidos, para la tarea de capacitación, sensibilización a diferentes niveles en los países a los que sirven.

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SUBMITTER INFORMATION

25. Submitting Party

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Not answered

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