Convention: SC Training and capacity-building activities on unintentional POPs

LEGAL BASIS/MANDATE:

Activity 16 of the Programme of Work 2014-2015 as adopted by decision SC-6/30

Decision SC-6/9 on review and updating of the Standarized Toolkit for Identification and Quantification of Dioxin and Furans Releases, and other Unintentional POPs

Decision SC-6/15 on technical assistance

PURPOSE AND APPROACH:

The toolkit for the identification and quantification of releases of Dioxins and Furans and other unintentional POPs (Toolkit) provides a harmonized framework for the elaboration of release inventories under the Stockholm Convention. The Toolkit was first published in 2003 by UNEP Chemicals and subsequently revised in 2005. In 2006, the Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm Convention welcomed the second Toolkit edition and recognized its usefulness. At the same time, Parties acknowledged the need for its ongoing revision and updating, placing emphasis on key sources for which limited data were available and on providing support to developing countries in their efforts to verify their emission factors. Parties also requested overall improvement of the usefulness and user friendliness of the Toolkit. The third revised version of the Toolkit, 2013, is available on the website of the Stockholm Convention to assist Parties in the revision of their NIPs. Further

Capacity building activities are planned to train Parties on how to revise and update their inventories of POPs, including new POPs, by applying new release categories and factors included in the third version of the Toolkit. Data comparability and consistency of time trends is key issue and it was acknowledged by the COP.

A set of training modules on the use of the Toolkit are planned to be included in face to face activities as well as on online preparatory trainings. Follow up exercises will be performed to foster participants' understanding and achieve the objective of the project.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE FUNDED:

- Global and regional training activities to enhance developing parties and parties with economies in transition understanding and knowledge on their obligations to revise and update their uPOPs inventories and to guide them in the use of the new version of the Toolkit.
- Webinars and online meetings prior and following face-to-face workshops of existing information through online meetings, webinars and web site.

RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED:

- Parties' capacity to revise and update uPOPs inventory is enhanced.
- Parties' obligations regarding uPOPs are met.
- Consistency and data comparability is secured.

VOLUNTARY BUDGET [USD] FOR 2014-2015		
10	PROJECT PERSONNEL COMPONENT	
1100	Professional Staff	48,980
1200	Consultants	20,000
1600	Travel on Official Business	10,000
20 SUB-CONTRACT COMPONENT		
2200	Sub-contracts (Global/regional training)	180,000
DIRECT PROJECT COST OPERATIONAL BUDGET 258,980		
Programme Support Costs (PSC) 13% 33,66		
TOTAL OPERATIONAL BUDGET		292,647