

OEWG-9/1: Follow-up to the Cartagena Declaration on the Prevention, Minimization and Recovery of Hazardous Wastes and Other Wastes

The Open-ended Working Group

1. *Takes note* of the request from the Conference of the Parties at its eleventh meeting that the Working Group prepare a road map for action and review the progress that parties have made in the implementation of the Cartagena Declaration on the Prevention, Minimization and Recovery of Hazardous Wastes and Other Wastes;
2. *Recommends* that the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth meeting adopt the road map for action on the implementation of the Cartagena Declaration set out in the annex to the present decision;
3. *Also recommends* that the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth meeting mandate the expert working group on environmentally sound management or a new intersessional group to develop guidance to assist parties in developing efficient strategies for achieving prevention and minimization of the generation of hazardous wastes and other wastes and that it invite a lead country within the group to carry out the work on the development of the guidance.

Annex to decision OEWG-9/1

Road map for action on the implementation of the Cartagena Declaration

1. The roadmap for action on the implementation of the Cartagena Declaration set out in the table below contributes to the achievement of the key objectives of the strategic framework for the implementation of the Basel Convention for 2012–2021.
2. The information-gathering activity in the road map may assist parties and others in identifying specific activities for implementing the Cartagena Declaration. The activities will be developed and implemented in cooperation with and the support of relevant initiatives under the auspices of the Basel Convention and other entities such as the expert working group on environmentally sound management.

<i>Areas for action</i>	<i>Activities</i>	<i>Responsible actors</i>	<i>Timeline</i>
Information gathering	1. Submit to the Secretariat information on experiences in implementing the Cartagena Declaration such as information on strategies and programmes on waste prevention and minimization and measuring their progress and on technology transfer and capacity-building. ¹	Parties, signatories and others	Information request issued at COP-12 (decision) and information to be provided on an ongoing basis Prior to COP-13

¹ cf. paragraphs 1, 4, 5, 7, 11 and 12 of the Cartagena Declaration.

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	2. Secretariat to compile all relevant information provided by parties, signatories and others with regard to the implementation of the Cartagena Declaration and make it available on the Basel Convention website	Secretariat	Prior to COP-13
Development of strategies (paragraph 1 of the Cartagena Declaration)	Develop guidance to assist parties, as appropriate, in developing efficient strategies to achieve the prevention and minimization of the generation of hazardous wastes and other wastes and their disposal, taking into account the prevention manual developed by the expert working group on environmentally sound management.	Parties and expert working group on environmentally sound management/ intersessional working group	COP-13
Enhancement of waste prevention (paragraphs 5,7, 8, 12 and 13 of the Cartagena Declaration)	<p>Encourage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Development of synergistic national and regional pilot projects on waste prevention for specific waste streams of concern; – Improvement of access to cleaner production methods and to information on less hazardous substitutes for and alternatives to hazardous chemicals and materials; – Implementation of waste prevention awareness campaigns that include information on waste prevention techniques. 	<p>Parties, Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, Stockholm Convention regional and subregional centres, United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Global Environment Facility, cleaner production centres and the private sector</p> <p>Parties, Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres, Stockholm Convention regional and subregional centres and non-governmental organizations</p>	Ongoing
Engagement with relevant stakeholders (paragraph 11 of the Cartagena Declaration)	Encourage and facilitate, as appropriate, engagement with other bodies, non-governmental organizations, cleaner production centres and the private sector to advance work on the prevention, minimization and recovery of hazardous wastes and other wastes and to develop and implement projects, waste prevention programmes and	Parties, Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres and Stockholm Convention regional and subregional centres	Ongoing

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	partnerships to that end, taking into account the information compiled through the information-gathering activity.		

Abbreviations: COP-12, twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; COP-13, thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.