

IV/10. Training and seminars related to the Basel Convention

The Conference

1. Requests the Secretariat of the Basel Convention to continue developing training programmes, including curricula at national level, in cooperation with national authorities and organizing national and regional training activities on the implementation of the Basel Convention in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme and other international organizations as well as the private sector and environmental non-governmental organizations;
2. Further requests the Secretariat, in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme and other international organizations as well as the private sector and environmental non-governmental organizations, actively to contribute to the implementation of the programme of activities of the regional centres by developing training materials, publications and other supporting materials, by facilitating the development of local and regional activities and case studies and by providing resource persons for training courses;
3. Also requests the Secretariat of the Basel Convention to continue promoting public awareness on the aims of the Basel Convention through participation in related international conferences, symposia and seminars, through the preparation and publication of brochures, newsletters, leaflets, press releases, case studies and other publications and material in this field, and through the consolidation of the websites of the Basel Convention on the Internet;
4. Urges Parties to contribute to the voluntary Technical Cooperation Trust Fund established under the Basel Convention with the aim to support the activities of developing countries and the Secretariat of the Basel Convention in developing training and capacity-building activities as well as awareness-raising activities;
5. Invites all Parties which are in a position to do so to contribute to the trust funds to cover the costs of participation of developing country representatives at meetings and seminars organized by the Secretariat, or in kind, through, inter alia, the provision of resource persons for the organization of seminars, workshops and training programmes.