

OEWG-VII/16: Review of the implementation of decision VIII/34

The Open-ended Working Group,

Recalling decision VIII/34 of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention, on resource mobilization and sustainable financing,

Recognizing the challenges of mainstreaming hazardous wastes into development processes in developing countries and the need to build relevant capacities,

Aware of the continuing process to develop a strategic framework for 2012–2013 for the implementation of the Basel Convention and the need to discuss resource mobilization in this context,

Welcoming the efforts by the Secretariat and the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres to enhance financial contributions for projects and programmes supporting the implementation of obligations under the Basel Convention, and the progress made in mobilizing resources, both human and financial, over the course of 2009,

Welcoming also the financial support provided to date to assist Parties in implementing the Convention,

Highlighting the importance of strengthening linkages with, building on and coordinating with resource mobilization strategies of other relevant multilateral agreements, approaches and processes,

Welcoming the consultative process on financing options for chemicals and wastes led by the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme,

Welcoming also the efforts by the Secretariat to coordinate resource mobilization activities with the secretariats of the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade, the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management and other appropriate entities,

1. *Welcomes* the activities undertaken and progress made by the Secretariat, the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres and Parties on mobilizing resources and sustainable financing for the implementation of the Basel Convention;

2. *Invites* Parties, signatories and all stakeholders to align their contributions to the Basel Convention Technical Cooperation Trust Fund with the priorities identified in the goals and objectives set out in the draft strategic framework for 2012–2021 for the implementation of the Basel Convention as set out in decision OEWG-VII/1 on the new strategic framework;

3. *Requests* the Secretariat:

(a) To continue its efforts to build the capacity of Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres to mobilize resources in their regions, and to facilitate discussions with project partners and donors with the aim of developing projects to be implemented at the country or regional levels;

(b) To explore further joint activities to mobilize resources in conjunction with the secretariats of the Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions;

(c) To continue to participate actively in the consultative process on financing options for chemicals and wastes led by the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme;

(d) To report to the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting on progress made in mobilizing resources for the implementation of the Basel Convention in cooperation with the regional and coordinating centres, the secretariats of the Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, the International Conference on Chemicals Management, the Global Environment Facility, the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank and other relevant organizations.