

NEWS FLASH

Introduction

Welcome to the third MEA REN News Flash. The MEA-REN News Flash is circulated every six months to raise awareness on the implementation and activities of the MEA Regional Enforcement Network.

Synergies Decision

Enhanced cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions

By its decision IX/10, the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties of the Basel Convention adopted the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Joint Working Group on enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions, subject to the same recommendations being adopted by the Conferences of the Parties to the Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions.

The fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties of the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure (PIC) for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade, held from 27-31 October 2008, in Rome, Italy, adopted decision RC- 4/11 on Enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions. The fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties of the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), held from 4-8 May 2009, in Geneva, Switzerland adopted decision SC-4/34 on enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions. The relevant decisions of the three Conferences of the Parties are hereafter referred to as the Synergies Decisions.

The Synergies Decisions set out five areas for enhancing cooperation and coordination among the chemicals and waste conventions, namely:

- Organizational issues in the field;
- Technical issues;
- Information management and public awareness issues;
- Administrative issues; and
- Decision-making.

Accordingly, the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Joint Working Group contained in the Synergies Decisions are divided in five sections.

Basel Convention News

The Basel Convention Partnership for Action on Computing Equipment (PACE)

The Partnership for Action on Computing Equipment (PACE) provides a forum to improve the current management of used and end-of-life computing equipment through the development of global refurbishment and material recovery/recycling guidelines on the environmentally sound management of computing equipment. Furthermore, PACE offers opportunities for industry:

- To discuss and develop voluntary, flexible, and workable approaches that would be environmentally sound, without adversely affecting or restricting their businesses.
- To influence decision making in many countries on approaches to be taken to manage used and end-of-life computing equipment, as over 170 countries are Parties to the Basel Convention;
- To assist in building capacity in developing countries and countries with economies in transition;
- To forge new alliances and offer immense networking opportunities.

The PACE Working Group, comprised of representatives of the PACE stakeholders, was established on 14 January 2009 as an open forum for all interested Parties, Signatories to the Basel Convention, Basel Convention Regional Centres (BCRCs), international organizations, industry, NGOs, and academia. Members from the Asia/Pacific region include China, Japan, Republic of Korea, Australia as well as the BCRCs in Tehran and Beijing. The PACE Working Group elaborated its work plan, terms of reference, financial arrangements and established four project groups. These project groups will launch projects to implement four types of activities that will lay the foundation for the development of a more detailed work plan.

The four PACE project groups have started their work by developing the terms of reference and initiating a literature review of what is available on environmentally sound management criteria and pilot projects in developing countries on collection of used and end-of-life computing equipment from informal sectors. Two project groups have started

developing guidelines, one on repair and refurbishment of used computing equipment and the second one on material recovery and recycling of end-of-life computing equipment.

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Environmentally Sound Management of E-waste in the Asia Pacific Region: an update on the Basel Convention activities

The Asia Pacific E-Waste Project was launched in November 2005 with the following countries: Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, the Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam. The Basel Convention Regional Centres (BCRCs) in Beijing, Jakarta, and SPREP coordinate the activities. The project is financed with contributions of Japan, Canada and The Netherlands.

The project has developed *inter alia* technical guidelines on methodology on inventory of e-waste and on ESM Recycling, Reuse, Repair, Refurbishment and Disposal of E-waste, and has assisted with the development of national implementation plans and preliminary inventories of e-waste.

Planned future activities include:

- Pilot collection, segregation, and take-back schemes;
- Development & pilot testing of methods for evaluation/characterization;
- Establishment of information exchange and monitoring of impacts on human health and the environment; and
- Training of customs and enforcement officers to control the import/export of used EEE.

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Rotterdam Convention News

Meetings organized by the Rotterdam Convention Secretariat in 2009:

23 – 24 February 2009:

FAO and UNEP regional offices Consultation with Regional and Sub-regional Officers of FAO on technical assistance for the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention Rome, Italy

23 – 27 February 2009:

National Consultation to identify elements of a National Action Plan or strategy for the implementation of the

Rotterdam Convention in South Africa Durban, South Africa

22 – 26 June 2009:

Thematic Meeting on Trade Related Issues under the Rotterdam Convention for the European Community and Selected Trade Partners Cyprus

Meetings organized by partners in collaboration with the Rotterdam Convention Secretariat

9 – 13 March 2009:

Caribbean workshop on SAICM and related chemicals and hazardous waste management instruments Bridgetown, Barbados

7 – 8 April 2009:

Regional Workshop on Successful Experiences Implementing the Stockholm Convention in Mediterranean region and synergies with Basel Convention & Stockholm Convention Barcelona

20 – 21 April 2009:

The International Expert Conference on Asbestos and Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPS) Policies and Practices in Kazakhstan and European Union Kazakhstan

8 – 12 June 2009:

National consultation to identify elements of a National Action Plan or strategy for the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention for Togo Lome, Togo

9 – 11 June 2009:

FAO - Pesticide Regulators Consultation Pretoria, South Africa

24 – 26 June 2009:

WHO Inception Workshop on Severely Hazardous Pesticide Formulations, Tanzania

29 – 30 July 2009:

WHO Briefing Meeting to lead into test phase of the draft WHO Risk Assessment Toolkit (RA Toolkit) Bangkok, Thailand

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Ozone News

July 2009. The Ozone Secretariat will publish the second edition of *Centrum*, its biannual e-newsletter on its website (<http://ozone.unep.org> or <http://www.unep.ch/ozone>) - *Centrum* was an initiative by the Secretariat to provide a forum for discussion and sharing of ideas by Parties and other ozone stakeholders regarding synergies between the Ozone Secretariat and other Multilateral Environmental Agreements; it hoped this publication will help to identify interlinkages and possibilities of cooperation between MEAs at an early stage.

Another important initiative to enhance the interlinkages that exist with other MEAs is now coming to fruition; government representatives from

the Parties to the Montreal Protocol are currently preparing for practical discussions on issues that relate to the protection of the ozone layer and climate change. One specific charge given by the Parties to the Secretariat was to convene a workshop on the management and destruction of ozone-depleting substance banks and implications to climate change and a workshop for an open-ended dialogue on high-global warming potential alternatives to ozone-depleting substances. Both these workshops are to be held before the start of the 29th Open-end Working Group meeting of the Parties in Geneva in July 2009.

The theme of this year's celebration of the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer (16 September 2009) is **"Universal participation: Ozone protection unifies the world,"** meant to celebrate the fact that the ozone treaties, such as the Vienna Convention and the Montreal Protocol, are close to achieving universal ratification. In fact, the Secretariat is hopeful that this historical episode will take place at the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer when this first time event will hopefully be announced to the world.

Timor Leste, the only remaining Party to ratify the agreement, is well into the process of ratification and we are optimistic of having them on board by the end of the year.

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WCO sets up ENVIRONET

The World Customs Organization (WCO) Secretariat has launched an internet-based, secure global communication tool, ENVIRONET on 1 June 2009.



ENVIRONET is a real-time communication tool for information exchange and cooperation in the area of environmental border protection among Customs administrations, competent national agencies, international organizations and their regional networks, as well as other enforcement authorities bearing similar responsibilities.

As one of the CENCOMM (Customs Enforcement Network Communication) applications, ENVIRONET is Internet based and accessible only to the closed user group (CUG). Information transmitted via the tool is encrypted and secured. It is cost effective and easy-to-use.

ENVIRONET aims to:

- Share best practices;
- Provide downloadable training materials, identification guides, manuals, and other background information valuable for environmental enforcement;
- Exchange information on seizures, and possible on-going trafficking;
- Create discussion forums on specific topics;
- Facilitate assistance by experts from international organizations, competent national authorities, and experienced Customs officers;
- Facilitate cooperation between Customs administrations, competent agencies and international organizations.

All information that is relevant to Customs environmental border protection fall into the scope of information exchange via ENVIRONET, in particular implementation and enforcement of several trade related MEAs.

Customs officers involved in environmental enforcement, officers or experts from competent national authorities responsible for the implementation of trade related MEAs, and other law enforcement agencies bearing similar responsibilities such as police and coast guard; Officers or experts from international organizations, most prominently partners of the Green Customs Initiative (GCI), and their regional networks bearing similar responsibilities have been invited to the ENVIRONET CUG.

The ENVIRONET Access Form for each nominated user from Customs administration and other competent national authorities should be signed by the Customs National Contact Point of Regional Intelligence Liaison Office (RILO) in each country, and submitted to the WCO Secretariat. Applicants from international organizations and their regional networks may send the Forms directly to the WCO Secretariat.

The news on the seizure of illegal export of HCFC-22 in Allah Mountain Office, Urumqi region in China, was circulated via ENVIRONET in July 2009.

As of 30 July 2009, users reached near 800, but few of them from environmental agencies. Environmental agencies are encouraged to join ENVIRONET.

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Interpol Launches Environmental Crime Programme Newsletter



Interpol issue its first ever **Environmental Crime Programme newsletter** in July 2009. The newsletter will be issued three times a year, with additional releases for important events.

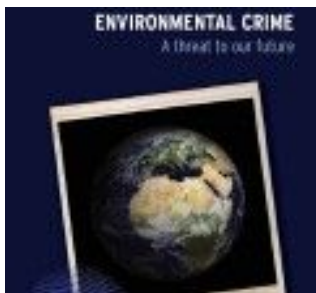
Interpol highlighted in the newsletter that environmental crime crosses borders and continents

unconstrained by geographic and moral boundaries, and it tests both legislation and the response of the law enforcement community. Consequently the fight against environmental crime must be conducted from a global perspective to match this transnational threat.

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EIA launched a movie: Environmental Crime - Our Planet, Our Problem

The Environmental Investigation Agency (EIA), an international NGO based in the UK, is seeking to raise awareness of environmental crime and to convince decision-makers to commit more resources to tackle this growing threat. As part of this initiative EIA has produced a brief three-minute film entitled: **Environmental Crime - Our Planet, Our Problem**.



The film was launched at a meeting of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime in October 2008, attended by Antonio Maria Costa, Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.

The film uses compelling images gathered by EIA over the last 25 years to illustrate the threat of environmental crimes such as illegal logging, trafficking of wildlife products and smuggling of ozone-depleting chemicals. It also delivers a call to action for greater international efforts to combat these crimes. The film has been shown at conferences, broadcast on television in the UK and distributed via websites. It is available to all interested parties seeking to raise awareness of environmental crime."

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The 7th ARPEC Meeting

The 7th Meeting of the Asian Regional Partner's Forum on Combating Environmental Crime (ARPEC) was held at the Royal Princess Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand on 2 - 3 April 2009.

The meeting coordinated the training programmes for the partners to establish possible ways to cooperate with partners in ongoing trainings and/or workshops and to receive an update on recent and past events and initiatives from the partners on environmental crimes. This was done to focus on two different aspects of cooperation: EU-Asia cooperation and Cooperation with the INECE Seaport Project. The 7th ARPEC also discussed possible ways to raise awareness on environmental crimes, including the development of an awareness strategy.

ARPEC has been to date a platform for organisations that work on environmental crimes to know who works on the same or similar issues. ARPEC also aims at creating the possibility for partners to take part in joint initiatives on particular issues. This forum has initiated numerous opportunities for partners to cooperate in capacity building, training and workshops, and to share information in their respective fields of specialisation. Most partners see this sort of forum as very beneficial for cooperation.

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Green Customs

Mongolia Green Customs Workshop

Mongolia National Green Customs Workshop was held in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia on 28 – 29 April 2009. Experts introducing the different MEAs and the role of Customs represented a good mix of both international and Mongolian experts.

Similarly, the participation from different agencies within Mongolia was very varied. Apart from the General Customs Administration, customs officers both from the capital and the regions participated at the workshop; some officers who attended the workshop came from the Ministry of Nature, Environment and Tourism (National Ozone Authority, National Chemicals Management Council, National Biosafety Committee), Ministry of Justice and Internal Affairs, the Ministry of Defence, the State Specialized Inspection Agency, the Interpol Bureau Centre, the National Police Agency and last but not the least, the Mongolian Refrigeration Association.

Discussions were lively and highlighted the need to improve the communication and information exchange between national agencies responsible for implementation of MEAs and enforcement offices including the police, customs and state inspection. Apart from the Montreal Protocol and CITES, very little communication exists between environmental and enforcement agencies in Mongolia, hence, the conclusion of the workshop mainly focused on the need to improve the legal environment on how to manage the available information as well as the improvement of cooperation with neighbouring China and Russia.

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India Green Customs Workshop

On 25 – 29 May 2009, India's National Academy of Customs, Excise and Narcotics (NACEN) organized an international workshop on the "**Green Customs Initiatives**" under the aegis of the World Customs Organization (WCO).

The Workshop aimed at enhancing the capacity of customs and other relevant enforcement personnel to monitor and facilitate the legal trade and to detect and prevent illegal trade in environmentally-sensitive commodities covered by the relevant conventions and multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs).



The Workshop was attended by participants from 21 countries of the Central Asia, Asia Pacific and Australasia Regions and Experts from the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the World Customs Organization (WCO) and the Secretariats of the Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs) (to which India is a party).

The online training module developed by NACEN in collaboration with Ozone Cell India and UNEP was launched during the inaugural ceremony.

In addition, on 7 – 10 July 2009, WCO Regional Green Customs workshop was held in Mombasa, Kenya; and on 29 - 31 Jul 2009, Sub-regional Green Customs workshop was held in Nigeria.

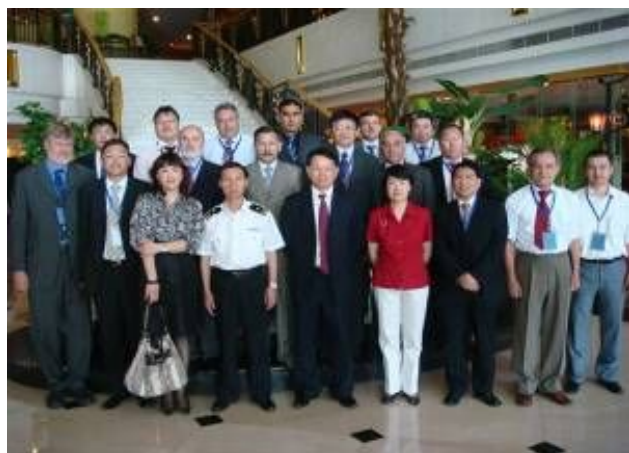
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Cross Border Cooperation

China ECA Dialogue Convened for Strengthening National Institutions through Regional Co-operation

More than 20 delegates of Ozone Officers and Customs officers from China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan as well as representatives from United Nations Environment Programmes (UNEP) met in Urumqi, China on 23 – 24 June 2009 to establish modalities of communication among Customs administrations, Ozone Focal Points and other competent authorities to implement measures to improve enforcement cooperation and border control in combating illegal trade in ODS.



The Chinese Ministry of Environmental Protection (MEP) and the China Customs Administration in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) organized this Dialogue as a continuation and follow-up to the earlier Dialogue initiated during the Trilateral Meeting with China, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan on control of trade in ODS held in August 2005.

The meeting agreed on some 25 recommendations related to the implementation of policy measure including the banning of sale of virgin CFCs in the market, labelling requirements for refrigerant cylinders, registration and certification schemes for technicians and companies dealing with ODS, log-book keeping for importers, exporters and dealers of ODS and mandatory proof of origin for ODS imports. Following the 2 days' Dialogue, 40 Customs Officers from Urumqi Customs District, including Anti-Smuggling Bureau, Policy & Regulation Division, Field Service as well as Customs Offices in Kashi, Allah Mountain, Huoerguosi and Urumqi airport participated in a one-day training related to the Montreal Protocol to Protect the Ozone Layer.

While this News Flash was being prepared, very encouraging news was brought about. Eight cylinders containing 108.8 kilograms of HCFC-22 were seized by Allah Mountain Customs office affiliated with Urumqi Customs District. The ODS originated from a local market in China and bound for export to Central Asian countries. The suspects were caught in a public bus and were not able to produce any export license. The illegal ODS were found by Customs Officers who were trained during the China ECA Dialogue in Urumqi.

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Partnership Against Trans-national Crime through Regional Organized Law-enforcement (PATROL)

UNEP, in collaboration with United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), TRAFFIC and Freeland, initiated a joint project entitled "Partnership Against Trans-national Crime through Regional Organized Law-enforcement" (PATROL) Programme. This project aims at expanding the cross-border cooperation in East Asia and the Pacific region in combating Trans-national Organised Crimes (TOC). It will focus on strengthening the law enforcement response to drugs and precursor chemicals, human trafficking, migrant smuggling, Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS), wildlife and timber, and dumping of hazardous waste.

UNEP will be responsible through this project for all inputs with regard to Ozone Depleting Substances and hazardous waste within the overall PATROL programme implementation, in close cooperation with UNODC as lead agency and TRAFFIC and Freeland Foundation as cooperating partners.

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TOOLS

iPIC Mechanism Helps Prevent Illegal Trade in ODS

UNEP ROAP initiated the Mechanism on Informal Prior Informed Consent of Export and Import of CFCs (iPIC) in 2007 to assist member countries to implementing licensing systems effectively so that they may not exceed their maximum allowable annual consumption levels, as contained in phase-out strategies or prescribed by the Protocol.

Countries participating in iPIC agree to exchange information prior to issuing import or export licences for certain types of substances and uses. Initially, the

iPIC procedure applied only to CFCs for controlled uses. Meanwhile this has expanded to all Group A and B and E substances (CFCs, halons, CTC, TCA, MB), and a recommendation has been agreed by all network countries to focus on Annex C substances (HCFC).

UNEP ROAP requested that other regions adopt the voluntary PIC system. Thus far, 60 countries are participating in the iPIC mechanism with the main aim of assisting member countries in effectively preventing illegal trade of ODS.

Implementation of informal Prior Informed Consent on Import and Export of ODS 2009			
IS ODS Licensing	Article 2 Countries	Australia – European Commission (27 countries) - New Zealand	29
	ECA	Armenia – Kyrgyzstan – Moldova – Serbia – Tajikistan - Turkmenistan – Uzbekistan	7
	ROAP	Cambodia - China – Fiji – Iran – R. of Korea – Lao PDR – Malaysia - Myanmar – Mongolia - Pakistan – Philippines - Singapore – Sri Lanka - Thailand - Vietnam	17
	ROLAC	Antigua Barbuda - Bahamas – Barbados – Belize – Guyana – Jamaica – Saint Lucia – St Vincent and the Grenadines – Trinidad and Tobago	9
	ROWA	Oman	1
Total			63

Note: ROAP: South Asia and South East Asia network countries
 ROLAC: Latin America and Caribbean network countries
 ECA: Eastern Europe and central Asia network countries
 ROWA: West Asia network countries
 ROA: African network countries
 EC: European Commission

The latest update on iPIC queries for 2009 (as of 7 August 2009).

2009	C F C	Halon	CTC	M B	H B F C	H C F C	Total
Approved	3			1		5	9
Rejected	3		4		1	1	9
Importer/Exporter Registered							
Pending/Unknown		1		4		1	6
Total	6	1	4	5	1	7	24
Request Response	E U	ROAP	Israel				
ROAP	14	2	1				17
ROLAC	2	1					3
ECA	1						1
ROWA		1					1
ROA							
EC		2					2

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ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME MEDIA UPDATE

31 July 2009

The United Nations Environment Programme Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (UNEP/ROAP) provides an Environmental Crime Media Update as a free service for media representatives and members of the ODS-Accredited MEA-Regional Enforcement Network project. The ODS-Accredited Media Update is a bi-monthly Environmental Crime and other updates on the region's environmental enforcement activities. The goal of Environmental Crime Media Update is to provide current news on a timely basis on environmental crime, for the attention of news outlets by UNEP and occasional contributions to other organizations. The news is sourced from online newspapers, journals and websites. <http://www.unep.org>

POLLUTION CRIME

Legally Shipped Waste to Return to U.K., earth991.com
Chiangmai ground! Daily Sun

Since its inception in August 2008, there were 48 updates that has been shared and sent with MEA-REN and ARPEC Members as well as to some international organizations, enforcement agencies, institutions and NGOs. The total number of regular recipients to date is approximately 300.

Would you like to receive the Environmental Crime Media Update? Contact: **Mr. Marcelo G. Quicho**,
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Upcoming Events

The third MEA-REN workshop will be held from 12 to 15 October 2009 in Chiangmai, Thailand. The meeting will be held back to back with the Joint Meeting of South East Asia Pacific (SEAP) and South Asia (SA) Networks of ODS Officers from 8 to 10 October 2009.

Team Movements

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In October 2009, **Dr. Ludgarde Coppens**, Policy and Enforcement Officer, will move to UNEP Headquarters in Nairobi, Kenya, where she will work with the Division of Early Warning and Assessment. **Ms. Kakuko Nagatani** will join the UNEP Regional Office in Bangkok, Thailand, in October 2009 as Policy and Enforcement Officer.

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