



## The Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal

Recent developments, update on the Secretariat's activities in the region, and the ExCOPs

Workshop 2010 of the Asian Network for the Prevention of Illegal Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes

January 27–29 2010, Yokohama, Japan





## Topics

- 1. Legal and institutional issues (focus on global level and the region)
- 2. Policy issues
- 3. International cooperation and coordination the ExCOPs
- 4. ESM of Electrical and Electronic Waste : PACE and projects in Asia Pacific





## **1. Legal and institutional issues**

(focus on global level and the region)

- National reporting (dec IX/13)
- Notifications: national definitions, CA and FP (dec. IX/27 and 29)
- Enforcement (dec. IX/23)
- Implementation and Compliance Committee (dec. IX/2)

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BASEL CONVENTION Party	National Legislation – FC/CA	Latest National Report	Information on disposal facilities	Information on recovery facilities
Brunei	Yes	2006	Yes	Yes
Cambodia	Yes	2007	Yes	Yes
China	Yes	2007	Yes	Yes
Indonesia	Yes	2007	Yes	Yes
Japan	Yes	2007	Remarks	Remarks
Malaysia	Yes	2007	Yes	Yes
Philippines	Yes	2007	Yes	Yes
Republic of Korea	Yes	2006	Yes	Yes
Singapore	Yes	2007	Yes	Yes
Thailand	Yes	2007	Yes	Yes
Vietnam	Yes	2007	Yes	Yes





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Party	Notification of National Definition (art. 3)*	Information on National Definition (art. 1(1)b wastes)	Notification of Import Prohibition (art. 4.1.a) *	Information on Import Prohibitions		
Brunei	No	Yes	No	Yes		
Cambodia	No	Yes	No	Yes		
China	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
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#### Enforcement

- Development of tools as requested by the COP: manual for the legal profession of prosecutor, plans for additional tools to be elaborated (when possible with SSC and SRC)
- Participation in meetings of bodies dealing with enforcement: MEA REN-3, Green Customs Initiative, WCO Enforcement Committee, Interpol's Pollution Crime Working Group
- Participation in specific activities organized by other organizations: WCO's Operation Demeter, GCI training workshops, GCI Partners' training workshops, INECE
  OEWG-7 is to provide guidance to SBC on tools and training on enforcement





#### Implementation and Compliance Committee

- 1. Seventh session (June 2009)
- Illegal traffic: training directory / cooperation on capacity building activities
- National reporting: Guidance manual on improving national reporting
- Notifications of CA and FP/import and export prohibitions
- SBC triggering function





#### Implementation and Compliance Committee

#### 2. Intersession work

- Illegal traffic: cooperation on capacity building activities
- National reporting: training CD / classification of compliance performance / difficulties faced by Parties
- Specific submissions: SBC consultations with Parties / Party submission / Strategy for generating resources for the Implementation Fund / report on trigger issues
- Movement and notification documents
- Status of existing legislation and needs for assistance

## 2. Policy issues

- 1. Strategic Framework (dec. IX/3)
- Consultant hired to prepare a draft
- SF first draft to be prepared by 31.01.10
- OEWG-7 to prepare SF draft (8 and 9 May Openended coordination Group)
- 2. Country Led Initiative CLI (dec. IX/26)
- Informal Swiss-Indonesian initiative
- 1st meeting (June 2009)
- Goal: «Develop recommendations for consideration by COP 10 for a way forward to ensure that the TBM of hazardous wastes, especially to developing countries and countries with EIT, constitute an ESM, as required by the BC"
- Draft analysis of reasons for TBM without ESM
- 2nd meeting (January 2010): elements for inclusion in a possible way forward







# International cooperation and UNE coordination: the ExCOPs

- Bali, Indonesia, from 22-24 February 2010
- Advisory committee established to provide advice to the UNEP ED and FAO DG on the preparations for the ExCOPs. (5 bureau members from each of the COPs of the three conventions).
- The committee first met on 20 July 2009 in Geneva and 24 October in Bangkok (reports are available).
- The invitation and agenda for the ExCOPs were distributed in early November.
- Pre-session documents are available on the ExCOPs web site (excops.unep.ch)





#### ExCOPs scenario

- Initial simultaneous sessions of the ExCOPs to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (Monday morning)
- Open ended joint working group among the three ExCOPs (OEJWG) to prepare draft decisions on the substantive issues (Monday and Tuesday)
- Final simultaneous sessions of the three ExCOPs to adopt decisions forwarded to them by the OEJWG (Wednesday -8 am)
- Simultaneous closing of the 3 ExCOPs (Wednesday - 9:30am)





#### **ExCOPs Agenda**

- Final decisions on joint services (secretariat report)
- Decisions on joint activities (secretariat report)
- Decisions on joint management (independent study)
- Decisions on synchronizing budget cycles and joint audits (secretariat reports)
- Decisions on a review mechanism and follow up (secretariat report)
- Reports on information received ED of UNEP and the secretariats on activities or proposals for joint institutions.





## 4. ESM of E-Waste: PACE

- Partnership for Action on Computing Equipment PACE (dec. IX/9)
- Institutional level: Involves all stakeholders, including BCRCs
- Activities
  - Nominates developing countries in need for a pilot project in e-waste survey/study
  - 35 proposals received, 15 from Asia Pacific
  - Next meeting: 1-3 February 2010 in Bonn (selection of the pilot projects)
  - Ensures BCRCs' support in the implementation, monitoring and dissemination of the result of pilot projects in their regions

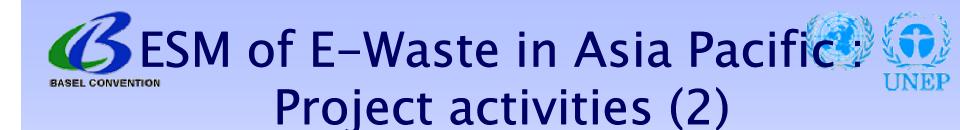




## ESM of E-Waste in Asia Pacific: Project activities (1)

BCRC China project (1)

- Name of the Project: Study on 'the Import/Export Management of E-waste and Used EEE'
- Lead Organization: BCRC China
- Category: Awareness Raising
- Objective: To facilitate the ability of participated countries to identify and respect the controls of importing Asian countries applicable to UEEE and WEEE



BCRC China project (2)

- Components
  - Import and Export Control of UEEE and WEEE in the Ten Studied Asian Countries
  - Criteria for distinguishing UEEE from brand new EEE
  - Criteria for distinguishing WEEE from UEEE
  - Criteria for distinguishing between hazardous and non-hazardous forms of WEEE
- Materials developed:
  - Report of the Study, finished 30.06.2009
- Contact Person:
  - Prof. Jinhui Li, Executive Secretary of BCRC China, jinhui@tsinghua.edu.cn



BCRC SEA project (1)

- Name of the Project
  - Development of Regional Database on Hazardous Materials and Waste Management – Phase-1: E-Waste
- Lead Organization: BCRC for South-East Asia, Jakarta
- Category: Awareness Raising and Capacity Building
- Objective: To promote the ESM of e-waste through provision of accessible and reliable data and references for capacity building



BCRC SEA project (2)

- Components:
  - Database design
  - Compilation of various information and data on e-waste management in, and related to, the region
- Materials to be developed:
  - Database on ESM of Hazardous Materials and Waste, with ESM of E-Waste as the first content, to be accessible from a website
- Time and duration: January 2010 for 8 months.
- Contact person: Mr. Aboejoewono Aboeprajitno, Director of BCRC-SEA, nnaboe@bcrc-sea.org





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