

Working groups: Session I

**Chemicals Management Frameworks
for progress**



Action plan approaches

- **Legal and administrative measures**
 - Operational measures for surveillance (monitoring) & enforcement
- **Information**
- **Harmonizing trade & controlling illegal trafficking**
 - Border/customs measures, enforcement of registration ...
- **Technology / work place control measures**
- **Technology transfer and upgrade**
- **Voluntary measures by industry sector(s)**
 - Cleaner Production, eco-labelling, substitution & replacement, product stewardship, corporate social responsibility ...
- **Research and development**
- **Training and education**
- **Technical assistance**



Plans may require several of these with different agencies responsible

Management frameworks

- **Identify:**
 - common issues and problems in the management of chemicals in the countries of the region
 - possible solutions
- **Present results as:**
 - a summary of status
 - recommendations for action at national, regional and international levels

Issues to consider

- Is existing legislation adequate? What gaps are there?
- Do the existing laws and operational measures work? What do you need to make them work?
- Can you assess and manage risks – and reduce them? Can you respond to emergencies?
- Do you have the information you need? What gaps are there?
- How can you gather and disseminate information & raise awareness successfully?
 - to other Parties and the CoP, to stakeholders

Action Plan – basic constituents

- Brief description of present situation & problem
- Statement of objectives & obligations
- Agreed priorities based on national policies & needs
- What approaches and methodologies might be used?
- Implementation strategy;
 - Who?, What? When? How?

Practical, viable, feasible, realistic

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‘Rules’

- **The Conventions are about changing behaviour; there is no single answer;**
- **Consider past work**
- **Plan for the future;**
- **No idea is a bad idea**
 - (unless it stays in your head);
- **Be creative ...**



... for lasting results!

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