

Recommendations of Working Group (1)

Recommendations were made on national, regional and international levels in the light of defined problems.

➤ **First problem:** Inadequacy and Confusion of legislations and lack of mechanisms for their implementation. In this respect, we recommend the following:

- **At local and international levels:**

1. Achieving compatibility and completion of local legislations to cover the different stages of handling chemicals and wastes (import, export, storage, transport, use, handling of wastes).
2. Achieving compatibility of local legislations to comply with the obligations of related international Conventions (Stockholm – Rotterdam and Basel).
3. Preparing and developing strategies and executive action plans to chemical management and holding workshops on national priorities and targeted objectives.
4. Making benefit from international and other regional experience and encouraging Secretariats of Conventions and funding authorities to help in this filed.
5. Setting the adequate mechanisms to enter these legislations into force.

➤ **Second problem:** Lack of functional, technical and human resources. In this respect, we recommend the following:

1. Encouraging status to provide the adequate funding to implement the programs suggested in the strategies and work plans.
2. setting sustainable training programs for those working in the filed of chemicals and waste management from different competent authorities, the Customs and health authorities... etc.
3. Establishing adequate organizational infrastructure for stakeholders concerned with chemicals management.
4. Stressing the importance of handling chemicals and wastes safely in educational curricula in schools, collages and universities.
5. Encouraging the funding status to provide technical and functional support to status of the Arab region through:
 - Getting benefit from Cairo Center for Training and Technology Transfer through available, funded programs and demanding the secretariats to expand the representation of Arab status in technical

and legal meetings and also in conference of parties in order to have their influence in decision making.

➤ **Third problem:** weakness of analytical capabilities. In this respect, we recommend the following:

- **At national level:**

1. Encouraging states to establish laboratories for analyzing chemicals and wastes to support surveillance on chemicals and waste management.

- **At regional level:**

1. Supporting Cairo Center by establishing and developing laboratories for making specialized testes related to chemicals and other wastes and supporting other efforts to establish similar laboratories in the Arab region.
2. Coordination with Other regional centers.