

Global NIP Update Webinar

What is the National Update Plan (NIP)? – Part 2

This is the second webinar in the series of training activities to be held by Green Growth Knowledge Partnership (GGKP) within the framework of Component 4 (Knowledge management and information sharing) to share the knowledge developed under Components 1 and 2 of the GEF project ID 10875 entitled “Global Development, Review and Update of National Implementation Plans (NIPs) under the Stockholm Convention (SC) on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)” – hereinafter Global NIP Update Project.

Introduction

The Stockholm Convention (SC) on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) is a global treaty to protect human health and the environment from chemicals that remain intact in the environment for long periods, become widely distributed geographically, and have harmful impacts on human health and on the environment.

In accordance with Article 7, Parties to the SC are required to prepare a National Implementation Plan (NIP) explaining how they are going to implement the obligations under the Convention and make efforts to put such a plan into operation. NIP is a dynamic document to be reviewed periodically and updated to address the newly listed chemicals following the successive SC meetings of the Conference of the Parties (COP). The NIP together with the National Reports submitted by the Parties to the Stockholm Convention are key data sources for evaluating the effectiveness of the Convention and for informing policy and decision-makers at the national level to strengthen the actions towards a POPs-free planet.

Following the addition of new chemicals to Annexes of the SC, Parties have expressed the need for assistance in the process of review and update, particularly in addressing newly listed POPs that are widely used for industrial purposes and are contained in products and articles.

The Global NIP Update project aims to reduce dependency on external expertise and resources to develop NIP and NIP updates by strengthening the political environment and technical capacities of participating countries. While UNEP Knowledge and Risk Unit is working towards developing the necessary knowledge under Components 1 and 2, the Green Growth Knowledge Partnership is executing Component 4 of the project on Knowledge management and information sharing. Knowledge sharing shall be conducive to improvement in NIP development, update, and implementation processes. In addition to Global Components, 1, 2, and 4; Component 3 of the project led by Stockholm and Basel Convention Regional Centers is focusing on the review and update of NIP and related national activities.

As a part of knowledge-sharing activities, this webinar will provide Parties with the opportunity to share ideas on the structure of NIP, interlinkages with national reporting, and use of an integrated electronic toolkit to support NIP data organization, submission, and use.

Objectives

- To increase participants' understanding of the structure of NIP and the scope/types of information to be reflected in its chapters, as well as of the interlinkages with the national reporting;
- To strengthen the capacity of participants to transmit their NIPs through an integrated electronic toolkit.

Target audience

- Stockholm Convention Official Contact Points and National Focal Points particularly from project countries
- National officials and experts involved in the process of reviewing and updating the NIPs
- Members of NIP National Coordinating Mechanism/ Committees and Project Coordination Units/Thematic Task Groups
- Representatives of Regional Centers and relevant stakeholders.

Date and time

18th May, 2023, 15:00 – 16:30 CEST (GMT +2)

Registration : [here](#)

Agenda

15:00	1. Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Moderator: Ms. Anastasiya Buchok, Component 4, GGKP</i> <i>Speaker Ms. Melanie Ashton, Component 4 Coordinator, GGKP</i>
15:05	2. Snapshot of existent knowledge among the project countries on the topics of the current webinar <i>Speaker Representative of a regional center</i>
15:10	3. Experience and lessons learned from previous NIP update related to the webinar training topics <i>Project country</i>
15:20	4 The BASICS of the National Implementation Plan (NIP) – Part 2 4.1 NIP structure and information to be reflected in its chapters (both qualitative and quantitative), including inventories to be conducted (continuation of Part 1 of the webinar “What is National Implementation Plan?”)
15:55	Q&A session
16:00	4.2 Interlinkages with Stockholm Convention national reporting requested POPs data and the use of the integrated electronic toolkit Q&A 4.3. Methodologies/reports available necessary for the NIP review and update <i>Speaker Ms. Mihaela Claudia Paun, Programme Management Officer, UNEP, Chemicals and Health Branch, Components 1 and 2</i>
16:20	Q&A session
16:30	Closing remarks

The event will be held in English. Simultaneous interpretation to French, Spanish and Russian shall be provided. Recorded webinar shall be made available on the knowledge platform.

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