

INTER-ORGANIZATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (IOCC)

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 54th MEETING

8-9 October 2020, via teleconference

The 54th meeting of the Inter-Organization Coordinating Committee (IOCC) of the IOMC was held 8-9 October 2020 via teleconference due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Bob Diderich (OECD) chaired the meeting. The meeting discussed, *inter alia*, SAICM and Beyond 2020, IOMC indicators of progress, strategic interests of POs and IOMC collectively including coordination issues, the work of the IOMC mercury group, and the IOMC Toolbox.

Specific Matters

Regarding the Beyond 2020 process, organizations informed which **Virtual Working Groups (VWGs)** they intended to participate in, were prepared to provide input to a possible **ICCM-5 High-level Declaration (HLD)**, and were encouraged to participate in the **SAICM Communities of Practice (CoP)** sessions.

IOMC agreed to include three new ILO indicators as IOMC **indicators of progress**. FAO noted that the **draft Global Action Plan on HHPs** had been developed by FAO, WHO, and UNEP and circulated to interested stakeholders for comment.

Updates were provided on the **UNITAR/ILO/OECD GHS partnership**, noting that a series of initiatives were under development including in relation to legislation, a mapping of activities, lessons learned, and a roadmap.

The Chair of the **IOMC mercury group** highlighted preparation of technical meetings in late 2020 and 2021 on topics such as ASGM and the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on project execution.

General Matters

Several organizations and convention secretariats reported on recent or planned **governing body** meetings and OECD reminded that a “Global Forum on Environment: Towards cost-effective management systems for industrial and consumer chemicals” will take place on 3-4 November 2020

A progress report on the **IOMC Toolbox** was provided, highlighting the impact of COVID-19 (including delays that are then resulting in saving of travel costs), the expected availability of the new Toolbox in mid-October, and the plans to submit a sustainability plan to the IOMC in 2021.