

INTER-ORGANIZATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (IOCC)

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 59th MEETING

25-26 April 2023, WHO, Geneva

The 59th meeting of the Inter-Organization Coordinating Committee (IOCC) of the IOMC was held 25-26 April 2023, hosted by WHO in Geneva. Ms. Gabi Eigenmann (UNIDO) chaired the meeting. The meeting discussed, *inter alia*, SAICM and Beyond 2020, strategic interests of POs and IOMC collectively including coordination issues, the negotiations for a science-policy panel (SPP) and for an international instrument on plastic pollution, the IOMC Toolbox, as well as an update of the work of IOMC mercury group.

Specific Matters

The SAICM secretariat presented an update on the Beyond 2020 process, including **preparations for ICCM-5** in Sept. 2023 and IOMC reviewed preparations for the IOMC workshop on dimension 2 of the integrated approach planned for June 2023 in Geneva. IOMC further agreed several actions to be taken for ICCM-5, including the report on **existing EPIs**, proposals for textual amendments referring to IOMC, and further work on possible **implementation programmes**.

IOMC held a **strategic discussion** on: preparations for IP-4.3, the negotiations for a science-policy panel, and the upcoming negotiations for a legally-binding instrument on plastics (INC-2 taking place at the end of May 2023).

The Chair of the **IOMC mercury group** updated participants about the third technical session held by the group in April 2023 (on emissions and releases) and plans for a fourth technical (possibly on waste) before the end of the year. A regular mercury group meeting is foreseen before or at Minamata Convention COP-5.

General Matters

Several organizations and convention secretariats reported on recent or upcoming **governing body** meetings and participants also shared information about on-going and new initiatives.

A progress report on the **IOMC Toolbox** was provided and participants informed that Phase 3 activities were completed and the donor agreement for Phase 4 had been signed.