



**Basel Convention on the Control of
Transboundary Movements of
Hazardous Wastes and their
Disposal**

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**Rotterdam Convention on the Prior
Informed Consent Procedure for
Certain Hazardous Chemicals and
Pesticides in International Trade**



**Stockholm Convention on Persistent
Organic Pollutants**

Conferences of the Parties to
the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions
Simultaneous extraordinary meetings
Bali, 22–24 February 2010

Annotations to the provisional agenda

Item 1: Opening of the meetings

1. The simultaneous extraordinary meetings of the conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions will be held from 22 to 24 February 2010 at the Bali International Convention Centre in Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia, in coordination with the eleventh special session of the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum of the United Nations Environment Programme, to be held from 24 to 26 February 2010 at the same venue.
2. The simultaneous extraordinary meetings will be opened at 10 a.m. on Monday, 22 February by their respective presidents: Mr. Gusti Muhammad Hatta (Indonesia), President of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention; Ms. Judy Beaumont (South Africa), President of the Conference of the Parties to the Rotterdam Convention; and Mr. Gholamhossein Dehghani (Islamic Republic of Iran), who has replaced Mr. Alireza Moaiyeri (Islamic Republic of Iran) as President of the Conference of the Parties of the Stockholm Convention.

Item 2: Organizational matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda

3. Subject to their respective rules of procedure, the conferences of the Parties may wish to adopt their agenda, amended as appropriate, on the basis of the provisional agenda set forth in document UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/1.

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(b) Organization of work

4. Each conference of the Parties will have before it a scenario note for the simultaneous extraordinary meetings that has been prepared jointly by the secretariats of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions (UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/INF/1).
5. Conference arrangements will be such that the conferences of the Parties will hold their meetings at the same venue simultaneously. Each conference of the Parties, subject to the concurrence of the other conferences of the Parties, may wish to decide to meet, simultaneously with the meetings of the other conferences of the Parties, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday, 22 and Tuesday, 23 February, and on Wednesday, 24 February (from 8 to 9.30 a.m.), subject to adjustments as necessary.
6. Each conference of the Parties may wish to consider establishing, subject to the concurrence of the other conferences of the Parties, an open-ended joint working group that will be open to all Parties to the three conventions to discuss item 4 of the provisional agenda (Matters for consideration or action by the conferences of the Parties) and to prepare draft decisions pertaining to that agenda item for consideration and possible adoption by each conference of the Parties.

Item 3: Report on the credentials of representatives attending the simultaneous extraordinary meetings of the conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions

7. The respective rules of procedure for the conferences of the Parties¹ provide that the credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers must be submitted to the respective secretariat,² if possible no later than 24 hours after the opening of the meeting. Any later change in the composition of a delegation must also be submitted to the respective secretariat. Credentials must be issued either by the Head of State or Government, or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or, in the case of a regional economic integration organization, by the competent authority of that organization. If a delegation submits credentials prior to the meetings by copy or by fax, it should submit the original upon registration.
8. Representatives of Parties may participate in the meetings pending a decision by the relevant conference of the Parties on their credentials.
9. The officers of each conference of the Parties, with the assistance of the respective convention secretariat, will examine the credentials and report thereon to the respective conference of the Parties.

Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the conferences of the Parties

10. Each conference of the Parties, meeting simultaneously with the other conferences of the Parties and, as appropriate, assisted by an open-ended joint working group, will consider the sub-items set out below under this agenda item.
 - (a) **Decisions on joint activities**
 11. Each conference of the Parties will have before it notes prepared jointly by the three secretariats on joint activities among the secretariats (UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/2) and on a draft workplan for the development of a clearing-house mechanism serving the conventions (UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/INF/2). Each conference of the Parties may wish to take note of the information contained in these two notes and consider the possible action set out in document UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/2.

1 Rule 18 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention; rules 17 et seq. of the rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties to the Rotterdam Convention; rules 17 et seq. of the rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties of the Stockholm Convention.

2 In the case of the Basel Convention, credentials are to be submitted to the Executive Secretary.

(b) Decisions on joint managerial functions

12. Each conference of the Parties will have before it a note prepared by UNEP containing a study of the feasibility and cost implications of establishing joint coordination or a joint head of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions (UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/3). Each conference of the Parties may wish to take note of the information and consider the possible action suggested therein.

(c) Final decisions on joint services established on an interim basis

13. Each conference of the Parties will have before it notes prepared jointly by the three secretariats on the establishment on an interim basis of joint services for the secretariats (UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/4) and on the costs and organizational implications of establishing joint services for the secretariats (UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/INF/3). Each conference of the Parties may wish to take note of the information contained in the notes and consider the possible action suggested in document UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/4.

(d) Decisions on the synchronization of the budget cycles of the three conventions

14. Each conference of the Parties will have before it a note prepared jointly by the three secretariats on the synchronization of the conventions' budget cycles (UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/5). Each conference of the Parties may wish to take note of the information and consider the possible action suggested therein.

(e) Decisions on joint audits of the accounts of the secretariats of the three conventions

15. Each conference of the Parties will have before it a note prepared jointly by the three secretariats on the report on joint audits of the secretariats' accounts (UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/6). Each conference of the Parties may wish to take note of the information and consider the possible action suggested therein.

(f) Decisions on a review mechanism and follow-up of the work on enhancing coordination and cooperation processes between the three conventions

16. Each conference of the Parties will have before it a note prepared jointly by the three secretariats to review the arrangements adopted pursuant to the decision on cooperation and coordination among the conventions (UNEP/FAO/CHW/RC/POPS/EXCOPS.1/7). Each conference of the Parties may wish to take note of the information and consider the possible action suggested therein.

(g) Reports or information received from the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme and the secretariats of the three conventions on any other activity or proposed joint institution resulting from the decision on enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions

17. Each conference of the Parties will have before it the reports of the two meetings of the advisory committee on the simultaneous extraordinary meetings of the conferences of the Parties (UNEP/FAO/AdComm.1/1 and UNEP/FAO/AdComm.2/1). Each conference of the Parties may wish to take note of the information contained therein.

Item 5: Adoption of the report

18. At the final session of the simultaneous extraordinary meetings, each conference of the Parties, meeting simultaneously with the other conferences of the Parties, will be invited to consider and adopt the draft report of its meeting as prepared by its respective rapporteur.

Item 6: Closure of the meetings

19. It is expected that the simultaneous extraordinary meetings of the conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions will be closed simultaneously by the presidents of the conferences of the Parties to the conventions at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 24 February 2010.