



Tools, manuals and practical guidance relevant for mercury waste management developed under the Basel Convention

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Expert Working Group on
Environmentally Sound
Management

Development of guidelines on environmentally sound management (ESM)



- ▶ ESM framework adopted at COP-11;
- ▶ An Expert Working Group on ESM was established by COP-11 to promote the implementation of the framework by developing practical tools (the «ESM toolkit»)
- ▶ Available online:
<http://www.basel.int/Implementation/CountryLedInitiative/EnvironmentallySoundManagement/ESMToolkit/Overview/tabid/5839/Default.aspx>

Practical manuals for the promotion of the ESM of wastes



- ▶ Terminology;
- ▶ General policies and legislation;
- ▶ Permits, licenses or authorizations;
- ▶ Certification schemes;
- ▶ Waste prevention.



Fact sheets on specific waste streams



- ▶ General information;
- ▶ E-wastes;
- ▶ Waste vehicle;
- ▶ Medical or healthcare waste;
- ▶ Waste lead-acid batteries;
- ▶ Waste oils;
- ▶ Pneumatic tyres.



Guidance on prevention and minimization



- ▶ Present a range of strategies to prevent and minimize waste generation, incl:
 - ▶ decoupling waste generation from economic growth,
 - ▶ improving material and resource efficiency, shifting towards a circular economy,
 - ▶ developing new business models to create incentives for recovery,
 - ▶ promoting behavioral change amongst consumers
 - ▶ using alternative technologies.



Further work mandated under 2018-2019 PoW

- ▶ Decision BC-13/2 part II
- ▶ Draft manuals on EPR and financing;
- ▶ Draft practical manual on insurance and liability;
- ▶ Pilot projects - implementation of current projects to test the ESM Toolkit (9 projects in total);
- ▶ Update ESM portal with information received from Parties and others;
- ▶ Gather good practices and examples with regard to waste prevention and minimization.



New items on 2018-2019 PoW



- ▶ Develop a practical manual for stakeholders to ensure that notifications of transboundary movements meet ESM requirements;
- ▶ Develop a guidance document to assist Parties in developing efficient strategies for the recycling and recovery of hazardous and other wastes;
- ▶ Develop guidance on how to address ESM in the informal sector;
- ▶ Initiate an exchange of experiences on the operational aspects of certification schemes to support ESM



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- ▶ The Manual for the Implementation of the Basel Convention
- ▶ The Guide to the Control System
- ▶ The Revised notification and movement documents for the control of transboundary movement of hazardous wastes and instructions for completing these documents
- ▶ Draft guidance on the implementation of paragraph 4 of Article 6 of the Convention on transit transboundary movements: COP14 to consider including in POW 2020-2021

- ▶ For more information: <http://www.basel.int/>





Thank you

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