

Open consultations on green and sustainable chemistry

Thursday, 3 October 2019, 18:30 – 20:00, Meeting Room C+D (Level 1)

Third meeting of the intersessional process considering the Strategic Approach and sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020

UNEA-4 recognized the value of developing a better understanding of sustainable chemistry opportunities globally and requested UNEP to prepare manuals on green and sustainable chemistry, taking into account both the importance of the sound management of chemicals and the potential benefits of chemicals for sustainable development.

These informal consultations will provide stakeholders with an opportunity to explore, discuss and share ideas on the preparation of manuals on green and sustainable chemistry, including by providing feedback on the draft concept note, as contained in *SAICM/IP.3/INF/9 - Update by the United Nations Environment Programme on relevant work undertaken in response to United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA) Resolution 4/8*.

Discussions will be held using a “world-café” approach. At each table, a different element of the draft conceptual framework (see next page) will be discussed in more detail. Participants will have 15 minutes per table and then move on to the next table, where the moderator will brief participants on the status of the discussions. Once each group has visited each table, the moderators will report back to the audience. Following the reporting back the audience, the group will seek to summarize and consolidate the key insights and input received.

Time	Item	Set-up/speaker
<i>Introduction</i>		
10 min	Overview of the proposed approach, presentation of the draft conceptual framework and meeting flow	UNEP
5	Initial reactions	All participants
<i>World café</i>		
60 min (15 min. per table)	Tables: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Objectives of green and sustainable chemistry 2. Design areas to achieve objectives 3. Sustainability metrics, assessment and reporting tools 4. Enabling policies 	Participants rotate across tables; 1 moderator per table
<i>Synthesis</i>		
15 min	Reporting back and open discussion	Rapporteur, all participants
5 min	Closing remarks and next steps	UNEP

Annex A: Conceptual framework

Advancing the sustainability of chemistry through green and sustainable chemistry

