

***Statement Switzerland***

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Thank you Madam co-chair

We believe that the new framework should allow for interested countries to receive on a voluntary basis experts to review a selection of topics from the framework on the national level in view of recommendations on how to improve the sound management of chemicals and waste nationally.

Switzerland has made a proposal and the proposed language is included in the documents of this meeting.

We are convinced that such voluntary peer reviews are a good tool to provide examinations of systems and policies in order to provide analysis, lessons-learnt and options on how to improve.

The exercise shall allow to strengthen theoretical and practical knowledge and suggest adapted options on how to strengthen the implementation work.

We look forward to the discussion and support to this proposal.

As also mentioned by others stakeholders here today the Individual sector level plays an important role for the implementation of the SMCW. We have to consider mechanisms that facilitate the work with and withing relevant sectors and industries. That is why we reiterate the Swiss proposal put forward at IP3 on the use and review of existing standards in different sectors and industries. In this context we also welcome the CRP submitted by IOMC containing elements regarding the involvement of key industries.

We look forward to working on those elements during this meeting.

Thank you.