# Third SAICM Progress Report 2014-2016

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# Welcome & General Information

Welcome to the online tool for reporting progress in implementation of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) for the period 2014-2016.

### Background

In September 2016, through <u>Resolution IV/1</u>, the Fourth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM4), requested the SAICM secretariat to develop a third progress report including achievements, strengths and weaknesses for the period 2014-2016.

The third progress report will be based on information submitted by stakeholders through this online survey and supplemented by international and other data sources. A draft report will be presented to the third Open-ended Working Group of ICCM (OEWG3) to be held at the end of 2018. Respondents to the survey will be acknowledged at OEWG3 and ICCM5. The progress report will also inform the intersessional process to prepare recommendations regarding the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020.

Your participation in this process is necessary to ensure that the third SAICM report on progress can provide a complete and accurate picture of SAICM implementation and provide useful information to assist in setting future priorities for the global sound management of chemicals and waste.

You are asked to provide a single consolidated response for your country or organization by **15** September 2017.

### The Survey

The survey tool is aligned with the 20 indicators agreed to at the second session of ICCM (ICCM2) in May 2009 (see <u>Modalities for reporting by stakeholders on progress on implementation</u> for more information).

The online survey tool is made up of six parts, as follows:

Part A: Contact information

Part B: Risk reduction

Part C: Knowledge and information

Part D: Governance

Part E: Capacity building and technical cooperation

Part F: Illegal international traffic

The first part (Part A) collects contact information on the identity of the government or organization submitting the response. Only aggregated/anonymized results will be included in the report. Contact information is required in case there is a need to clarify a response.

The five parts that follow contain a series of questions to gather information on each of the 20 indicators. Throughout the survey, there are questions specific to health sector engagement in certain activities. Responses to these questions will be used to help measure progress in implementing the <u>Strategy for</u> <u>strengthening the engagement of the health sector in the implementation of SAICM</u> adopted in 2012 at ICCM3.

To simplify the survey for respondents and to aid data analysis, most questions are 'multiple choice' type questions where respondents are asked to choose from a list of possible responses. Throughout the survey there are spaces to provide additional details, if desired. Where 'other' or 'not applicable' has been chosen, additional explanations are encouraged.

### Please note:

- Your link to this survey is unique and can only be used to submit one survey response. You are requested to consult as necessary and appropriate, and provide a single consolidated response for your country or organization.
- Each part of the survey should be completed by all stakeholders whether in government, intergovernmental organizations or non-governmental organizations.
- You can save the survey at different points and resume completion at any time before the deadline.
- Mandatory questions are marked by an asterisk (\*). If any mandatory questions are left unaddressed, the system will provide prompts to identify where the missing answers are.
- Once you click submit, you will be given the opportunity to print your survey response but you will not be able to access the survey again using the link provided to your government or organization.

To facilitate your discussions and data collection, a downloadable copy (PDF) of the survey questions is available at the link below. However, please use the online survey tool to submit your answers.

Downloadable copy of the survey questions.

### Other useful documents:

- Baseline estimates report 2006-2008: Progress in implementation of the Strategic Approach on International Chemicals Management
- Progress in implementation of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management for 2009 and 2010
- Progress in Strategic Approach implementation for 2011–2013
- Copies of reports submitted by governments or organizations for the 2011-2013 reporting period are available on the <u>SAICM website (archived version</u>). *Please note that the survey has been modified from previous versions based on feedback received, in particular: the questions have been simplified and the time period clarified; some questions have been removed where alternate sources of information are available and/or the responses were inconsistent; a small number of questions have been added which more directly address the indicator and/or are better aligned with the OOG; and, the Risk Reduction (Part B) questions have been reorganised.*

#### Stakeholder group and Sector

The secretariat will aggregate all of the information collected according to official regional groupings and according to the applicable stakeholder group (e.g., Governments, non-governmental organizations and intergovernmental organizations).

Using the selections below, please indicate to which SAICM Stakeholder group you belong:

Government [A1]

Country

Belarus [BLR]

Has your country officially nominated a SAICM National Focal Point?

Yes [A1]

Please select from the list below the ministry of the Official SAICM National Focal Point:

Health [A5]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Agriculture] Yes [Y]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Customs authorities]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Environment] Yes [Y]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Finance]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Foreign Affairs]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Health] Yes [Y]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Industry] Yes [Y]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Internal Affairs/Planning]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Labour] Yes [Y]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Science] Yes [Y]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Trade]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Transport]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Other levels of government]

Please identify the other government ministries that were consulted in preparing your response to this survey: [Other]

Please briefly provide any additional information you would like to share:

# Part A: Contact Information

Contact information is requested to be provided so that in the case of any ambiguous answers or errors, the secretariat can make direct contact with the respondent. Only aggregated/anonymized results will be reported.

If you wish, please specify your title:
Ms. [A2]
Your Given Name:
Halina
Your Family Name:
Lisouskaya
Name of Organization:
Republican Unitary Enterprise "Scientific and Practical Hygiene Center" of the Ministry of Health

Your position within your organization:

Senior Researche

Your telephone number, including country code and area code (e.g. 44 22 123-4567):

375172841382

Telephone extension, if applicable:

Email:

ptiza-igl@mail.ru

Would you be willing to be contacted to answer a few questions on your experience with this survey?

Yes [Y]

# Part B: Risk Reduction

ICCM2 selected five indicators to measure progress on the Risk Reduction objective included in SAICM's Overarching Policy Strategy. These five indicators are:

• Mechanisms to address key categories of chemicals;

Hazardous waste management arrangements;

• Mechanisms for setting priorities for risk reduction;

· Use of chemicals management tools; and

Monitoring activities for selected environmental and health priorities.

of the online survey asks questions to help evaluate progress on these five inc

B1.1: Does your government or organization have any of the following mechanisms in place to address chemicals or key categories of chemicals?

[Legislation/ regulations ] Updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B1: Mechanisms to address key categories of chemicals

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[Policies]

Updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B1.1: Does your government or organization have any of the following mechanisms in place to address chemicals or key categories of chemicals?

[Programmes]

Updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B1.1: Does your government or organization have any of the following mechanisms in place to address chemicals or key categories of chemicals?

[Agreements]

Updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B1.1: Does your government or organization have any of the following mechanisms in place to address chemicals or key categories of chemicals?

[Standards]

Updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B1.1: Does your government or organization have any of the following mechanisms in place to address chemicals or key categories of chemicals?

[Other (please describe below)]

Not applicable [7]

B1.1.1 Does your government or organization have programmes in place to encourage compliance with the mechanisms identified above? [Programme to encourage compliance (e.g. education and training)] Yes - since pre-2014 [A1]

B1.1.1 Does your government or organization have programmes in place to encourage compliance with the mechanisms identified above? [Enforcement programme (e.g. inspections, sampling/testing)]

Yes - since pre-2014 [A1]

B1.1.1 Does your government or organization have programmes in place to encourage compliance with the mechanisms identified above? [Other (please describe below)]

Yes - new for 2014 to 2016 [A2]

Please briefly provide additional information, including which stages of the lifecycle your mechanism(s) address (e.g. primary or secondary manufacturing, product use, recycling, end of life, etc.)?

Please note that hazardous waste management is covered in the next section.

The Technical Regulations of the Eurasian Economic Union (TR) "On the Restriction of the Use of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Radioelectronic Products" is harmonized with the RoHS Directive and designed to protect human life and health and the environment in relation to the content of hazardous substances in products: lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, polybrominated biphenyls, polybrominated diphenyl ethers.

The TR provides a legal bases for regulation of electronic product through their life cycle: production, marketing, and use. TP ensures production compliance with the requirements for limiting the use of hazardous substances in products; observance of admissible concentrations of hazardous substances in homogeneous materials of products.

TP legislatively fixes a list of dangerous substances that should not be contained in products; Permissible concentrations of hazardous substances in homogeneous materials of product designs; A deadline to which use of hazardous substances should be enforced is determined in the legislation.

Obligatory confirmation of conformity of products to the requirements of the TR in the form of declaration/certification (a list of standards containing the rules and methods of research and measurements adopted by IEC was developed) is also included. In case of incompliance marketing of the product can be limited, prohibited, or the product is withdrawn from circulation. Regarding the management of electrical and electronic waste, it is planned to develop a special regulation based on the WEEE 2012/19 / EU European

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Persistent organic pollutants (as listed under the Stockholm Convention)] Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Other Persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic substances]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Carcinogenic, mutagenic or reproductive toxic substances] Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Endocrine disruptors]

Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Immunotoxins]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Neurotoxins]

Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Mercury or mercury-containing sources]

Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Other metals or their compounds]

Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Chemicals produced in high volume]

Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Chemicals subject to wide dispersive uses]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Pesticides]

Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Chemical contaminants in consumer products]

Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Others (please describe below)]

Yes [Y]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Not known]

B1.2 Which of the following categories or groups of chemicals does your country or organization prioritize for risk management? [Not applicable (please explain below)]

B1.2.1 Please briefly provide additional information (e.g. other priority chemicals or categories, or reasons why this is not relevant for your country or organization). Nanomaterials

B2: Hazardous waste management arranger

B2.1 Please identify which part of the waste management cycle your government or organization addresses and the mechanism used: [Prevent

Legislation/ regulation/ permits [1]

B2.1 Please identify which part of the waste management cycle your government or organization addresses and the mechanism used: [Collection and interim sto

Mix of tools (please describe) [7]

B2.1 Please identify which part of the waste management cycle your government or organization addresses and the mechanism used: [Disposal of hazardous waste] Mix of tools (please describe) [7]

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Mix of tools (please describe) [7]

B2.1 Please identify which part of the waste management cycle your government or organization addresses and the mechanism used: [One (Description description)]

Not applicable [5]

Please briefly provide any additional information you would like to share:

All of the waste management cycle are regulated by:

Laws (for example, the Law "On Environmental Protection", the Law "On Waste Management"). The laws establish general requirements to the management of wastes.

Normative legal and legislative acts on regulation of wastes management, including certain types of waste such as medical wastes and POPs-containing wastes.

Decrees of the President (for example, the Decree "On Some Issues of Waste Management"). In the development of Decree No. 313 a number of normative legal acts were adopted.

Codes (for example, the Tax Code of Belarus, which establishes rates and procedure for payment of environmental tax for storage, disposal or production wastes, Code of Administrative Offenses, which provides administrative penalties for violations of the wastes management legislation).

A manual on best available technical methods for reducing unintentional releases of persistent organic pollutants has been developed, the best available technical methods

B2.2 Please indicate below whether your government or organization introduced, revised or was developing mechanisms to address parts of the waste management cycle over the 2014 to 2016 period? [Prevention/reduction in generation of hazardous waste]

Revised [A2]

B2.2 Please indicate below whether your government or organization introduced, revised or was developing mechanisms to address parts of the waste management cycle over the 2014 to 2016 period? [Collection and interim storage of hazardous waste] Revised [A2]

B2.2 Please indicate below whether your government or organization introduced, revised or was developing mechanisms to address parts of the waste management cycle over the 2014 to 2016 period? [Disposal of hazardous waste] Revised [A2]

B2.2 Please indicate below whether your government or organization introduced, revised or was developing mechanisms to address parts of the waste management cycle over the 2014 to 2016 period? [Recovery and recycling of hazardous waste] Revised [A2]

B2.2 Please indicate below whether your government or organization introduced, revised or was developing mechanisms to address parts of the waste management cycle over the 2014 to 2016 period? [Other (please describe below)] Not applicable [A4]

Please briefly provide any additional information you would like to share:

Amendments and additions were done to the Law "On Waste Management" .

New:

New defitions, in particular, "waste of package", "preparation of waste for use", "packaging from combined materials"; The procedure of alienation of production wastes;

Extention of the period of validity of the inventory of production wastes;

Changes related to the clarification of the competence of state bodies in the field of waste management, the establishment of the degree level of hazard, the requirements for handling and transportation of waste.

In accordance with the changes, the Council of Ministers determines:

List of goods that have lost consumer properties, and waste of package;

The procedure and conditions for the acceptance by the producers of goods included in the list of goods established by the President, whose producers and suppliers are obliged to collect, treat and (or) use waste that has lost consumer properties and obligations to ensure the subsequent safe management of these wastes.

B2.3 Please indicate whether your country or organization addresses any of the following specific waste streams? [Plastics]

Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B2.3 Please indicate whether your country or organization addresses any of the following specific waste streams? [Lead-acid batteries]

Yes - since before 2014 [1]

B2.3 Please indicate whether your country or organization addresses any of the following specific waste streams? [Biomedical & healthcare wastes]

Yes - since before 2014 [1]

B2.3 Please indicate whether your country or organization addresses any of the following specific waste streams? [Mobile phones] Not known [6]

B2.3 Please indicate whether your country or organization addresses any of the following specific waste streams? [Other electrical & electronic equipment]

Being developed? [4]

B2.3 Please indicate whether your country or organization addresses any of the following specific waste streams? [Persistent organic pollutants contaminated waste]

Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B2.3 Please indicate whether your country or organization addresses any of the following specific waste streams? [Dioxin-related substances]

Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B2.3 Please indicate whether your country or organization addresses any of the following specific waste streams? [Pesticide contaminated wastes]

Not applicable [7]

B2.3 Please indicate whether your country or organization addresses any of the following specific waste streams? [Other (please describe below)]

Please briefly provide additional information, including the type of tool or mechanism used to address each waste stream (legislation, permit, stewardship program, education etc.).

Currently, subprogramme 3 "Management of POPs" of the state program "Environmental protection and sustainable use of natural resources" for 2016-2020 "approved by the Decree of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus of March 17, 2016 No. 205 approved implementation of a number of tasks for Safe handling of POPs (creationand improvement of the regulatory framework in the field of handling of POPs; handling of obsolete pesticides Including those containing POPs; handling of equipment, materials and wastes containing polychlorinated biphenyls; the creation of an analytical capacities for measurements of POPS and monitoring of their concentrations in the environmental media;, monitoring the population health to the context of exposure to and impact from POPs; reduction of unintentional emissions of POPs, etc.).

Decree of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus of December 2, 2014 No. 1124 concerning goods that have lost consumer properties and packaging waste.

B3: Mechanisms for setting priorities for risk reduction.

B.3.1 Does your country or organization use science-based risk assessment to set priorities for risk reduction for any of the following types of chemicals? [Industrial chemicals]

Yes since before 2014 [A1]

B.3.1 Does your country or organization use science-based risk assessment to set priorities for risk reduction for any of the following types of chemicals? [Pesticides]

Yes since before 2014 [A1]

B.3.1 Does your country or organization use science-based risk assessment to set priorities for risk reduction for any of the following types of chemicals? [Biocides]

In development [A3]

B.3.1 Does your country or organization use science-based risk assessment to set priorities for risk reduction for any of the following types of chemicals? [Food additives]

Yes since before 2014 [A1]

B.3.1 Does your country or organization use science-based risk assessment to set priorities for risk reduction for any of the following types of chemicals? [Other (please describe below)] Not applicable [A5]

B3.1A Please specify whether the above is pre-market or post-market assessment? [Industrial chemicals]

Pre and post market [A3]

B3.1A Please specify whether the above is pre-market or post-market assessment? [Pesticides]

Pre and post market [A3]

B3.1A Please specify whether the above is pre-market or post-market assessment? [Biocides]

Pre and post market [A3]

B3.1A Please specify whether the above is pre-market or post-market assessment? [Food additives]

Pre and post market [A3]

B3.1A Please specify whether the above is pre-market or post-market assessment? [Other (please describe below)]

Pre and post market [A3]

B3.1B Which of the following risks are considered as part of your government's or organization's prioritization process? [Occupational health and safety risks] Yes [Y]

B3.1B Which of the following risks are considered as part of your government's or organization's prioritization process? [Environmental risks]

Yes [Y]

B3.1B Which of the following risks are considered as part of your government's or organization's prioritization process? [Consumer or public health risks]

Yes [Y]

B3.1B Which of the following risks are considered as part of your government's or organization's prioritization process? [Other (please describe below)]

B3.1B Which of the following risks are considered as part of your government's or organization's prioritization process? [Not known]

B3.1B Which of the following risks are considered as part of your government's or organization's prioritization process? [Not applicable (please explain below)]

Please briefly provide any additional details you wish to share on your answers to question B3.1.

Hygienic examination of pesticides, biocides, chemicals is carried out at the state registration, re-registration after 5 years. Chemicals are notified and registered before marketing and randomised control is performed during use. Other-chemical products (household products)

Development of new hygienic technologies for the use of pesticides with health risk assessment (Example: a study "Develop a system for assessment of health risks associated with the general toxic and specific effects of pesticides and ground hygienic requirements for the production of pesticides." The study resulted in a list of indicator tests - biochemical, clinical Indicators of the biological status of a human organizm, that are the most informative for the diagnosis of diseases caused by chemicals in people exposed to pesticides and for a differential diagnosis with diseases cause by other factors). Carrying out studies with calculation of risk for working imported and domestic pesticides.

B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Industrial chemicals]

Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Pesticides] Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Biocides]

Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Chemical contaminants in food] Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Chemical contaminants in consumer products] Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Chemical contaminants in drinking water] Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2] B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Chemical contaminants in recreational water]

Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Chemical contaminants in groundwater]

Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Air pollutants]

Yes - updated during 2014-2016 [2]

B3.2 Does your government or organization have programmes for the management of priority risks associated with exposures to any of the following? [Other (please describe below)] Not applicable [7]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share.

A technical regulation "On the Safety of Chemical Products" (TR) has been adopted within the framework of the Eurasian Economic Union recently .

To implement it, the Action Plan for the preparation for the implementation of the TR was approved in response to the Council of Ministers decision, t.

Work aiming at establishing of a National Chemicals / Products Registry is underway. The mechanism of implementation is a resolution of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus.

Belarus announced its intention to accede to the Rotterdam Convention, signed the Minamata Convention and initiated domestic procedures for acceding to the Conventions.

Programs that include risk management measures are: the National Environmental Protection Plan, the National Program for the Operation and Development of the National Environmental Monitoring System, the Plan of a setting measures to improve state sanitary supervision for monitoring of food quality and safety, and others.

B3.3 Is there a multi-disciplinary scientific committee, body or institute engaged in your government's or organization's scientific risk assessment, prioritization, or risk reduction activities?

Yes [A1]

Please briefly describe your committee(s), including the name and the specific topics dealt with:

The Republican Unitary Enterprise "Scientific and Practical Hygiene Center" within the framework of the scientific and technical program "Modern Living Conditions and Health Conservation" (2013-2015) has completed studies on the topic "Developing a hygienic assessment of plant protection risks for public health".

Within the framework of the scientific and technical program "Health and Habitat" (2016-2018), research is being conducted on the theme "To develop a system for assessing the health risk of the population associated with the general toxic and specific effects of pesticides and to justify hygienic requirements for the production of plant protection products."

B4: Use of chemicals management tools

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [FAO/WHO International Code of Conduct for the Distribution and Use of Pesticides]

Yes [Y]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [IOMC Toolbox]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [IPCS International Chemical Control Toolkit (Control Banding)]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [OECD eChem Portal] Yes [Y] B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [OECD Guidelines for the Testing of Chemicals]

Yes [Y]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [OECD Environmental Risk Assessment Toolkit]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [OECD Substitution and Alternatives Assessment Toolbox]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [UNITAR Guidance on Developing a Risk Management Plan for Priority Chemicals] Yes [Y]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [WHO Air Quality Guidelines]

Yes [Y]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [WHO Drinking Water Quality Guidelines]

Yes [Y]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [WHO Human Health Risk Assessment Toolkit]

Yes [Y]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [WHO International Chemical Safety Cards]

Yes [Y]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [WHO Recommended Classification of Pesticides by Hazard] Yes [Y]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [Others (please describe below)]

Yes [Y]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [Not known]

B4.1 Which of the following tools or guidance materials for risk reduction published by the Participating Organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) are used by your government or organization? [Not applicable (please explain below)] If desired, please briefly provide additional details about your response to this question.

The above guidance documents are used as reference or by harmonization of national documents with international documents. Within the framework of the scientific and technical program 2012-2015 on the tasks "Develop a harmonized system of toxicological assessment of chemical substances harmonized with international requirements", "Develop and implement criteria for toxicity and ecotoxicity for establishing the hazard class of production wastes", Instructions for use, taking into account the OECD Guidelines on Testing of chemicals.

The main principles of document 1 are laid down in the basis of the national normative acts and acts of the Eurasian Economic Union concerning the regulation of pesticide treatment.

UNITAR Guidelines for the development of a risk management plan for the implementation of priority chemicals are taken into account when developing plans for conventions.

WHO guidelines on air quality, water quality, and WHO classification of pesticides by hazard are fully applied

B4.2 Please provide the name(s) of any other (i.e. non-IOMC) tools or guidance documents your government or organization has found helpful for risk reduction activities:

UNITAR Guidance document "Development of a strategy for the implementation of the national GHS"

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Identification of chemicals in use]

Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Hazard identification] Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Exposure assessment]

Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Risk characterization]

Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Management of pesticide risks]

Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Management of obsolete chemicals or pesticides]

Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Prevention and control of chemical pollution and waste]

Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers (PRTRs)]

No [A5]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Management of media-specific risks (e.g., water quality, air quality)]

Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Identification and use of less hazardous alternative substances] Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Major industrial accidents]

Updated during 2014-2016 [A2]

B4.3 Has your government or organization published any tools or guidance materials in the following areas: [Others (please describe below)]

If desired, please briefly provide any additional information.

In the Republic of Belarus, documents regulating majority of areas mentioned above are "Sanitary Norms and Regulations", "Hygienic Norms", "Instructions for Use" (developed and approved by the Ministry of Health), Methodological Guidelines (issued by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection), Interstate Standards (developed by the State Committee for Standardization Since 2011, the "Unified sanitary and epidemiological and hygienic requirements for products (goods) subject to sanitary and epidemiological supervision (control) Customs Union; documents issued by the Ministry of Emergency Situations. At regional/ the Eurasian Economic Union level technical regulations on safety of chemical products, paints, household chemicals, pesticides safety requirements (pesticides) and others were enforced or are in a progress of being developed.

B4.4 Please describe any additional tools or guidance materials that your government or organization would find helpful for developing or implementing risk reduction activities:

N/a

B5: Monitoring activities for selected environmental and health prioritie

B5.1 Please identify whether your government or organization is engaged in any of the following kinds of monitoring or surveillance activities with respect to chemicals: [Environmental monitoring e.g., air, water, environmental species] Mix of A, B, and/or C [A7]

B5.1 Please identify whether your government or organization is engaged in any of the following kinds of monitoring or surveillance activities with respect to chemicals: [Human biomonitoring, e.g., blood, serum, urine] B: Short term monitoring study [A2]

B5.1 Please identify whether your government or organization is engaged in any of the following kinds of monitoring or surveillance activities with respect to chemicals: [Cases of human poisoning]

Mix of A, B, and/or C [A7]

B5.1 Please identify whether your government or organization is engaged in any of the following kinds of monitoring or surveillance activities with respect to chemicals: [Cases of occupationally-related disease]

Mix of A, B, and/or C [A7]

B5.1 Please identify whether your government or organization is engaged in any of the following kinds of monitoring or surveillance activities with respect to chemicals: [Chemical incidents] Mix of A, B, and/or C [A7]

B5.1 Please identify whether your government or organization is engaged in any of the following kinds of monitoring or surveillance activities with respect to chemicals: [Food and/or drinking water]

Mix of A, B, and/or C [A7]

B5.1 Please identify whether your government or organization is engaged in any of the following kinds of monitoring or surveillance activities with respect to chemicals: [Other types of monitoring carried out (please describe below)] Not applicable [A5]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in guestion B5.1. [Agriculture]

Yes [Y]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in guestion B5.1. [Environment]

Yes [Y]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in question B5.1. [Health] Yes [Y]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in question B5.1. [Industry]

Yes [Y]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in guestion B5.1. [Labour] Yes [Y]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in question B5.1. [Natural Resources]

Yes [Y]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in question B5.1. [Transportation]

Yes [Y]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in question B5.1. [Other]

Yes [Y]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in question B5.1. [Not known]

B5.2A Please identify the sectors that are involved in the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in question B5.1. [Not applicable]

Please specify the sector: helth sector

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B5.2B Please describe the engagement of the health sector in any of the monitoring or surveillance activities you identified in question B5.1.

The health sector monitors:

- pollution of atmospheric air in residential areas;

- safety of drinking water and food;

- Chemicals in consumer products;

- chemicals in medical products;

- safety of paints, varnishes and building materials;

- poisonings;

- contamination of soil in residential areas;

occupational diseases;

- randomly and upon the request - contamination of indoor air.

In 2014, within the social and hygienic monitoring, further monitoring, analysis and forecasting of the main medical and demographic processes has been conducted in Belarus, the morbidity structure and prevalence, ranking of administrative territories, taking into account the level of morbidity as a "critical" values for subsequent implementation of state measures to minimize "demographical threats". An assessment of the risk of environmental factors affecting the health of the population was also carried out. The implementation of the Decree of the Ministry of Health of Belarus from 17.07.2012 No. 105 "On social and hygienic monitoring" was carried out through collecting, recording, analyzing and evaluating information on the health status of the population and the human environment, on medical and demographic and socio-economic indicators; Research and monitoring of the quality of atmospheric air, water, soil, working places conditions, the quality of food raw materials, food products, etc. in all regions of the Republic.

B5.3 Please indicate whether any significant changes or new developments have occurred in your country's or organization's monitoring or surveillance programmes over the period 2014-2016. [Environmental monitoring e.g., air, water, environmental species]

Yes [A1]

B5.3 Please indicate whether any significant changes or new developments have occurred in your country's or organization's monitoring or surveillance programmes over the period 2014-2016. [Human biomonitoring, e.g., blood, serum, urine] In development [A3]

B5.3 Please indicate whether any significant changes or new developments have occurred in your country's or organization's monitoring or surveillance programmes over the period 2014-2016. [Cases of human poisoning with chemicals] No [A2]

B5.3 Please indicate whether any significant changes or new developments have occurred in your country's or organization's monitoring or surveillance programmes over the period 2014-2016. [Cases of occupationally-related disease linked to chemical exposure]

No [A2]

B5.3 Please indicate whether any significant changes or new developments have occurred in your country's or organization's monitoring or surveillance programmes over the period 2014-2016. [Chemical incidents involving chemicals] No [A2] B5.3 Please indicate whether any significant changes or new developments have occurred in your country's or organization's monitoring or surveillance programmes over the period 2014-2016. [Other (please describe below)] Not applicable [A5]

Please briefly provide any additional details you wish to share about your monitoring or surveillance programmes.

A new. Example.

DECISION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS March 17, 2016 N 205 ON THE APPROVAL OF THE STATE PROGRAM "ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES" FOR 2016-2020

As a result of the state program implementation, it is planned:

- Creation of a chemical analytical basis for POP measurements and monitoring of their content in the environment;

-monitoring the health status of the population due to the impact of POPs;

- Support for the functioning of 12 types of environmental monitoring of National System for Monitoring the Environment (NSME) and interaction with the systems of social and hygienic monitoring and monitoring of natural and man-made emergency forecasting, - Expansion of the network of observations of the content of large industrial centers of hazardous to human health solid particles (fractions up to 2, 5 µm);

- Continuous measurements of greenhouse gas content and obtaining information on transboundary air pollutant transport in accordance with international obligations;

- stage-by-stage organization of observations of the content of pollutants in bottom sediments of water bodies and regular observations of water bodies in the monitoring of surface waters;

- Optimization of the existing network of observation points for land pollution (including soils) and observation regulations; -development of the database of local environmental monitoring;

- Creation and implementation of a system of short-, medium- and long-term forecasting of the ecological status of territories according to NSEM data in the practice of the activity of information and analytical monitoring centers and the main information

and analytical center of the National System for Monitoring the Environment (NSME) for solving environmental problems;

- Integration of NSME into the system of environmental information (SEIS);

- Transition to a comprehensive assessment of the state of ecological systems by integrated indicators.

B5.4 Is your government or organization involved in any cooperative work to compare the results of monitoring or surveillance programmes?

Yes [1]

If possible, please briefly provide more details:

State program "Public health and demographic security of the Republic of Belarus" for 2016-2020

The State Program "Clean Water" for 2011-2015

State program "Environmental protection and sustainable use of natural resources" for 2016-2020:

-program "Ensuring the functioning, development and improvement of the National System for Monitoring the Environment in the Republic of Belarus"

- Subprogram "Development of the State Hydrometeorological Service, mitigation of the effects of climate change, improvement of air quality and water resources"

- Subprogram "Management of Persistent Organic Pollutants"

Participation in the interstate target program of the Eurasian Economic Union "Innovative Biotechnologies" (2011-2015).

National Implementation Plan for the Stockholm Convention (2011-2015)

National Action Plan for Environmental Health

Risk Reduction - General

Please provide any additional information you would like to share on your government's or organization's activities relevant to the risk reduction indicators.

N/a

# Part C: Knowledge and Information

ICCM2 selected four indicators to measure progress on the Knowledge and Information objective included in SAICM's Overarching Policy Strategy. These four indicators are:

- Provision of information according to internationally harmonized standards;
- · Communication of risks to vulnerable groups;
- Research; and
- Websites providing information to stakeholders.

This part of the online survey asks questions to help evaluate progress on these four indicators.

C1: Provision of information in accordance with internationally harmonized standards

C1.1 Do you have standards or requirements in your country or organization for labelling the hazards and/or risks posed by all chemicals at the following stages in a chemical's life-cycle? [Production] Yes - new for 2014-2016 [A6]

C1.1 Do you have standards or requirements in your country or organization for labelling the hazards and/or risks posed by all chemicals at the following stages in a chemical's life-cycle? [Occupational use] Yes - in place prior to 2014 [A1]

C1.1 Do you have standards or requirements in your country or organization for labelling the hazards and/or risks posed by all chemicals at the following stages in a chemical's life-cycle? [Consumer or public use] Yes - new for 2014-2016 [A6]

C1.1 Do you have standards or requirements in your country or organization for labelling the hazards and/or risks posed by all chemicals at the following stages in a chemical's life-cycle? [Transport] Yes - new for 2014-2016 [A6]

C1.1 Do you have standards or requirements in your country or organization for labelling the hazards and/or risks posed by all chemicals at the following stages in a chemical's life-cycle? [Disposal] Yes - in place prior to 2014 [A1]

C1.1 Do you have standards or requirements in your country or organization for labelling the hazards and/or risks posed by all chemicals at the following stages in a chemical's life-cycle? [Other (please describe below)] Not applicable [A5]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share.

State Technical Standard 31340-2013 "Precautionary labelling of chemical products. General requirements".

C1.2. Do the labeling requirements of your government or organization conform with those of the Globally Harmonized System for the Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (the "GHS") for the following categories? [Dangerous Goods] Yes- full conformity [A1]

C1.2. Do the labeling requirements of your government or organization conform with those of the Globally Harmonized System for the Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (the "GHS") for the following categories? [Pesticides] Yes- full conformity [A1]

C1.2. Do the labeling requirements of your government or organization conform with those of the Globally Harmonized System for the Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (the "GHS") for the following categories? [Consumer products] Changes in progress to bring into conformity [A6]

C1.2. Do the labeling requirements of your government or organization conform with those of the Globally Harmonized System for the Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (the "GHS") for the following categories? [Occupational health and safety/Workplace use]

Changes in progress to bring into conformity [A6]

C1.2. Do the labeling requirements of your government or organization conform with those of the Globally Harmonized System for the Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (the "GHS") for the following categories? [Industrial chemicals] Changes in progress to bring into conformity [A6]

C1.2. Do the labeling requirements of your government or organization conform with those of the Globally Harmonized System for the Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (the "GHS") for the following categories? [Other (please describe below)] Not applicable [A4]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share.

In 2021 latest, after the entry into force of the Technical Regulations of the Eurasian Economic Union "On the Safety of Chemical Products", classification and labelling of chemicals and products will be fully harmonized with the GHS.

C1.3. Over the 2014 to 2016 period, were there any major changes in your standards or requirements for labelling the hazards and/or risks posed by chemicals with respect to conformity with the GHS? Yes [A1]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share on the changes:

Technical Regulations of the EEU"On the Safety of Chemical Products", adopted on March 03, 2017, No. 19 prequires: the registration of chemical products with identifying of the hazards, classification according to the GHS, developing a chemical safety report with a risk assessment, providing with a safety data sheet for informing workers and consumers about the hazards and precaution measures.

- Obligatory maintenance of the National Register of Chemicals (CAS number, physical and chemical properties, toxicological characteristics, ecotoxicological characteristics, GHS classification, GHS product labeling, precautionary measures, emergencies measures and Recommended personal protective equipment and other).

Since June 1, 2017, the new edition of the Rules for ensuring the safety of the transport of dangerous goods by roads in the Republic of Belarus has come into force.

C2: Communication of risks to vulnerable groups

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [Women]

Ongoing since before 2014 [A1]

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [Children]

Ongoing since before 2014 [A1]

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [The elderly] Uncertain [A4]

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [Workers] Ongoing since before 2014 [A1]

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [Workers in the informal sector] Uncertain [A4]

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [Indigenous peoples] Not applicable [A5]

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [Highly exposed groups] Ongoing since before 2014 [A1]

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [Consumers (e.g. of a specific product type)] Ongoing since before 2014 [A1]

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [The general public] Ongoing since before 2014 [A1]

C2.1 Does your government or organization undertake activities or publish guidance, training or awareness materials designed to communicate chemical safety issues to any of the following? [Other (please describe below)] Not applicable [A5]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Agriculture]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Environment]

Yes [Y]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Health]

Yes [Y]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Industry]

Yes [Y]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Labour]

Yes [Y]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Natural Resources]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Transportation]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Other (please describe below)]

Yes [Y]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Not known]

C2.2A Please identify the sectors involved in communicating about chemical safety issues with the groups identified in question C2.1. [Not applicable]

Please specify the sector involved.

Ministry of Emergency Situations

C2.2B Please describe the nature of involvement by the health sector in communicating with the groups you identified in question C2.1.

Mass media (articles in newspapers including on-line)

- Interviews on radio and television with relevant governmental officials and scientists.

- Publications(hard copies).

- Lectures for relevant population groups.

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share about your communications with vulnerable groups.

Some examples of mass media publications are provided below.

Article "Household Flavors. Pros and Cons? "Hermes magazine, No. 9, September, 2016.

Article "The relevance and importance of legal restrictions on lead in paints", the newspaper "Medical Herald", September 2016 "About the benefits and harm of fertilizers", an interview with a correspondent of the "Narodnaya Gazeta", 2015. Article "Phthalates feminization", newspaper "Medical Herald", No. 19 (149) 05/07/2015

C3: Research

C3.1 Has your country or organization commissioned or funded research in any of the following areas of chemical safety? [Human health effects or exposure]

Mix of A, B, and/or C [A4]

C3.1 Has your country or organization commissioned or funded research in any of the following areas of chemical safety? [Environmental effects, releases, or exposure]

Mix of A, B, and/or C [A4]

C3.1 Has your country or organization commissioned or funded research in any of the following areas of chemical safety? [Safer alternatives]

Mix of A, B, and/or C [A4]

C3.1 Has your country or organization commissioned or funded research in any of the following areas of chemical safety? [Cleaner production technologies]

Mix of A, B, and/or C [A4]

C3.1 Has your country or organization commissioned or funded research in any of the following areas of chemical safety? [Other (please describe below)]

Not known [A6]

C3.1 Has your country or organization commissioned or funded research in any of the following areas of chemical safety? [Not known]

Not applicable [A7]

C3.1 Has your country or organization commissioned or funded research in any of the following areas of chemical safety? [Not applicable (please explain below)]

Not applicable [A7]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share.

Examples:

The State Scientific and Technical Program "Natural Resources and the Environment 2011-2015".

State Scientific and Technical Program "Chemical Technologies and Production".

State Program "Environmental Protection and Sustainable Use of Natural Resources for 2016-2020".

State Scientific and Technical Program "Modern conditions of life and health" (2013-2015).

State Scientific and Technical Program "Health and Habitat" (2016-2018):

One of the directions of the State Program for the innovative development of the Republic of Belarus for 2016-2020 remains the creation of new environmentally friendly (safe) materials and products.

State program "High technology and technology 2016-2020".

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in question C3.1? [Agriculture]

Yes [Y]

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in question C3.1? [Environment]

Yes [Y]

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in question C3.1? [Health]

Yes [Y]

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in guestion C3.1? [Industry]

Yes [Y]

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in question C3.1? [Labour]

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in guestion C3.1? [Natural Resources]

Yes [Y]

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in question C3.1? [Transportation]

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in question C3.1? [Other]

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in question C3.1? [Not known]

C3.2A Please indicate the sectors involved in any research identified in guestion C3.1? [Not applicable]

C3.2B Please briefly describe the nature of involvement by any health sector institutions or professional bodies in the research you identified in guestion C3.1.

The health sector is involved in almost all programs as the main performer or co-executor. Examples:

The Republican Unitary Enterprise "Scientific and Practical Hygiene Center of the Ministry of Health" has successfully completed and is currently carrying out a number of scientific research in the field of chemical safety:

Within the framework of the Scientific and technical program "Modern living conditions and health saving" (2013-2015):

"Develop and implement criteria of toxicity and ecotoxicity for estimating of the hazard class of industrial waste";

"Develop a hygienic assessment of the risk of plant protection products for public health";

"Develop a unified system of toxicological assessment of chemicals harmonized with international requirements";

"Develop and implement a method for determining the safety limits for emergency situations with hazardous chemical compounds using nitriles family as an example";

"Develop scientifically based experimental models for studying of characteristics of the combined exposure to chemicals."

Within the framework of the Scientific and technical program "Health and Habitat" (2016-2018):

"To develop a system for assessing the health risks of the population associated with the general and specific toxic effects of pesticides and to ground hygienic requirements for the production of plant protection products";

Research and experimental work upon request of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Belarus:

"Develop scientifically based hygienic standards and methods for performing measurements of the content of persistent organic pollutants (polybrominated compounds) in various compartments of the environment".

as providing information to stakeholder

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [Chemicals in use]

Yes - ongoing pre-2014 [1]

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [Chemicals safety laws that apply in the country] Yes - ongoing pre-2014 [1]

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [Hazards and risks associated with specific chemicals]

Being developed [2]

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [Exposure scenarios or risks associated with specific uses] Uncertain [4]

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [Guidance on how to prevent exposure] Uncertain [4]

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [First aid and medical information for selected chemical risks] Yes - ongoing pre-2014 [1]

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [Pollution release information]

Uncertain [4]

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [Chemical safety information in local languages] Yes - ongoing pre-2014 [1]

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [Chemical alternatives/substitutes] Uncertain [4]

C4.1 Does your government or organization maintain any websites that provide publicly available information on any of the following topics. [Other (please describe below)]

Not applicable [5]

C4.1.1 If any of the websites identified in question C4.1 are hosted by a health sector organisation, please briefly describe below and provide web links.

www.minzdrav.gov.by

www.rspch.by (http://www.rspch.by/node/349)

www.rcheph.by

C4.2 Please indicate whether the overall amount of chemical safety information you make publicly available through websites has increased, decreased or remained the same over the 2014 to 2016 period:

Increased [1]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share on the provision of information to stakeholders through websites (including web links).

The web-sites mentioned above include information on chemical safety, materials of international and national conferences, meetings, seminars, publications on healthy lifestyles, the results of scientific research:

For example, about the Second Meeting of the WHO Chemical Risk Assessment Network was organized by the World Health Organization Https://www.rspch.by/node/379;

the Sixth Ministerial Conference on Environment and Health is Https://www.rspch.by/node/375

An international scientific and practical seminar was held "National Consultations on the Rational Regulation of Chemical Products" https://www.rspch.by/node/346

Article "Finishing materials in your home" http://rspch.by/Docs/dec\_materials.pdf

C4.3 Have you used other channels of public information (e.g., social media (Twitter, Facebook etc.), printed media, television, radio, or community workers) <u>between 2014 and 2016</u> to communicate on chemicals safety related topics? Yes [A1]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share.

All information relating to the safety of chemicals, excluding information about accidents, is posted on the sites www.minzdrav.gov.by; www.minpriroda.gov.by; www.mchs.gov.by, www.mintrud.gov.by; www.rspch.by www.rcheph.by

www.mshp.minsk.by (For example: the State Register of Pesticides and Fertilizers Permitted for Use on the Territory of the Republic of Belarus http://www.mshp.gov.by/news/e2ff535028ae8649.html)

Sites of non-governmental organizations:

www.ecoidea.by

www.ecoproject.by www.ecohome-ngo.by

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Please provide any additional information you would like to share on your government's or organization's activities relevant to the Knowledge and Information indicators.

N/a

## Part D: Governance

ICCM2 selected three indicators to measure progress on the Governance objective included in SAICM's Overarching Policy Strategy. These three indicators are:

- Commitments to implementation of the Strategic Approach;
- Multi-stakeholder coordination; and
- Implementation of key international chemicals agreements.

### This part of the online survey asks questions to help evaluate progress on these three indicators.

D1: Commitments to implementation of the Strategic Approach
D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over the 2014 to 2016 period: [Ministerial or other official public statements expressing support for SAICM]
D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over <u>the</u> 2014 to 2016 period: [Resolutions of governing bodies that refer to SAICM (e.g., by an Executive or management board)]
D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over the 2014 to 2016 period: [Nomination of a new national or organizational focal SAICM focal point (where none existed)]
D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over the 2014 to 2016 period: [Focal point role formalized in organizational plans or duty statements]
D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over <u>the</u> 2014 to 2016 period: [Publication of a SAICM implementation plan or equivalent] Yes [Y]
D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over <u>the</u> 2014 to 2016 period: [Inclusion of information on progress in SAICM implementation in annual reports] Yes [Y]
D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over <u>the</u> <u>2014 to 2016 period</u> : [Establishment of a committee to coordinate on chemical safety, including SAICM matters] Yes [Y]
D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over the 2014 to 2016 period: [Introduction or renewal of a chemical safety programme that supports or contributes to SAICM implementation]
Yes [Y]

D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over the 2014 to 2016 period: [Implementation of an ongoing chemical safety programme that supports or contributes to SAICM implementation]

Yes [Y]

D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over the 2014 to 2016 period: [Attendance at SAICM related meetings] Yes [Y]

D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over <u>the</u> <u>2014 to 2016 period</u>: [Active engagement in ongoing SAICM activities (e.g. emerging policy and other issues)] Yes [Y]

D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over <u>the</u> <u>2014 to 2016 period</u>: [Organizational policies that include and/or support SAICM implementation (e.g. Corporate Social Responsibility Policy)]

Yes [Y]

D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over the 2014 to 2016 period: [Other (please describe below)]

D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over the 2014 to 2016 period: [Not known]

D1.1 Please identify how your government or organization has demonstrated its commitment to SAICM implementation over the 2014 to 2016 period: [Not applicable (please explain below)]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share.

Poster presentation at the High-level Meeting on the mid-term review of the European Environment and Health Process on 28-30 April, 2015 in Haifa (Israel) " Implementation of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management in the Republic of Belarus ".

Report to WHO on the implementation of the commitments undertaken by Belarus to implement the provisions of the Stockholm and Basel Conventions by the Ministry of Health and the need to accede to the Rotterdam Convention.

Participation in the UNEP seminar for Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia on lead in paints (19-20 May, 2016) Chisinau, Republic of Moldova with a presentation "Information on progress in activities related to limiting of the use of lead in paints and varnishes in the Republic of Belarus ".

Participation in an online survey on the WHO Roadmap for engagement of the health sector in the SAICM implementation and beyond.

D2: Multi-stakeholder coordination

D2.1 Please indicate if your government has a national multi-stakeholder or multi-sectoral committee designed to broadly address (make decisions or provide advice on) chemical safety issues, including SAICM:

[Government (only) committee]

Uncertain [A5]

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[Multi-stakeholder committee] Yes - new for 2014-2016 [A2]

D2.1 Please indicate if your government has a national multi-stakeholder or multi-sectoral committee designed to broadly address (make decisions or provide advice on) chemical safety issues, including SAICM:

[Other (please describe below)]

Yes - new for 2014-2016 [A2]

D2.1.2 (a) Please identify the types of stakeholders included on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Academia]

Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (a) Please identify the types of stakeholders included on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Civil Society]

Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (a) Please identify the types of stakeholders included on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Government] Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (a) Please identify the types of stakeholders included on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Industry] Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (a) Please identify the types of stakeholders included on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Intergovernmental organization]

D2.1.2 (a) Please identify the types of stakeholders included on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Other] Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Agriculture] Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Cultural group]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Environment]

Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Health]

Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Industry]

Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Labour]

Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Human rights/justice]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Other (please describe below)] Yes [Y]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Not applicable (please explain below)]

D2.1.2 (b) Please identify the interests represented on your multi-stakeholder committee. [Not known]

Please briefly indicate which "Others" are represented on your committee.

Ministry of Emergency Situations Ministry of Internal Affairs State Committee of Standartization State Committee of Oil and Chemistry

D2.1.3 Please briefly describe your "Other" committee.

In accordance with the instruction of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus of March 29, 2016 No. 03 / 503-122 / 3918p, the concern Belneftekhim in agreement with the interested stakeholders (Ministry of Health, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, Ministry of Emergency Situations, Ministry of Finance, State Committee On standardization) approved the Action Plan for the preparation to the implementation of the the technical regulations of the Eurasian Economic Union "On the Safety of Chemical Products" in the Republic of Belarus). To coordinate the work and timely implementation of the Plan's activities (the Plan is designed for implementation during 2016-2017), an intersectoral working group of the involved government bodies was established by the order of the Ministry of Health from 05.10.2016 No. 185a.

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share.

In the context of managing the circulation of chemicals (with the exception of radioactive substances), the Commission for Emergency Situations under the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus, the Council for Pesticides and Fertilizers are functioning in the republic, an interdepartmental coordinating council for work with the Basel, Rotterdam, Stockholm and Minamata Conventions has been established.

At the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Belarus, an Organizational Committee for the implementation of SAICM was functioning, which coordinated the activities of all those interested in the implementation of SAICM in Belarus. At present, this Organizing Committee does not actually work.

D2.2 In 2012, the International Conference on Chemicals Management adopted a strategy for strengthening the engagement of the health sector in chemicals management. Please briefly describe in the space that follows any activities undertaken by your government or organization <u>over the 2014-2016 period to</u> support implementation of this strategy.

State registration of chemical products produced, imported and used on the territory of the Republic.

2. Toxicological and hygienic examination of pesticides for subsequent state registration.

3. State sanitary and epidemiological rationing of chemicals.

4. Conducting research, including international requirements (OECD, ISO) and in accordance with the principles of good laboratory practice (GLP) facilities, materials and items: pesticides and others.

5. State sanitary supervision aimed at preventing, detecting and suppressing violations of legislation in the field of sanitary and epidemiological welfare of the population, including the circulation of chemical products.

6. Development and implementation of risk reduction programs for persistent organic pollutants.

7. Research on the links between environmental pollution and public health.

8. Switch to the classification and labeling of chemical products in accordance with the GHS.

9. Educational work.

10. Implementation of international obligations in the field of chemicals management.

11. Conducting a risk assessment of public health from exposure to hazardous chemicals, including biomonitoring.

12. Strengthening of legislation in the field of chemical safety.

13. The involvement of the health sector in fulfilling political commitments and strengthening inter-agency cooperation and coordination in the field of chemicals management

14. Increased international support for the sound management of chemicals:

- The Ministry of Health of the Republic of Belarus has submitted an international project to the Secretariat of the UNEP Special Program "Establish a sustainable national infrastructure for the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention in the Republic of Belarus".

- Organizes and conducts trainings, national consultations in the field of chemicals management

D3: Implementation of key international chemicals agreements

D3.1 Were any significant changes made to your country's or organization's status and/or implementation with regard to the following international or regional chemicals instruments over the 2014 to 2016 period (e.g. through the enacting of legislation, programme implementation, or through relevant policies)?

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[Aarhus Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (UNECE, 1998)]

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal (UNEP, 1989)]

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [Geneva Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution (UNECE, 1979)]

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[Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP, not yet in force)]

Yes [Y]

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (1987) under the Vienna Convention on the Protection of the Ozone Layer (UNEP, 1985)]

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[ILO Convention 139: Prevention and Control of Occupational Hazards caused by Carcinogenic Substances and Agents (ILO, 1974)]

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[ILO Convention 148: Protection of Workers against Occupational Hazards in the Working Environment due to Air Pollution, Noise and Vibration (ILO, 1977)]

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [ILO Convention 162: Safety in the Use of Asbestos (ILO, 1986)]

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [ILO Convention 174: Prevention of Major Industrial Accidents (ILO, 1993)]

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [IMO Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (IMO, 1973, 1978)]

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[IMO Protocol on Preparedness, Response and Cooperation to Pollution Incidents by Hazardous and Noxious Substances (IMO, 2000)]

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [IMO Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships (IMO, 2001)]

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [OECD legal instruments pertaining to chemicals safety]

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[Rotterdam Convention on the Prior informed consent procedure for certain hazardous chemicals and pesticides in international trade (UNEP and FAO, 1998)]

## Yes [Y]

D3.1 Were any significant changes made to your country's or organization's status and/or implementation with regard to the following international or regional chemicals instruments <u>over the 2014 to 2016 period</u> (e.g. through the enacting of legislation, programme implementation, or through relevant policies)?

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [Other (please describe below)]

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [Not known]

D3.1 Were any significant changes made to your country's or organization's status and/or implementation with regard to the following international or regional chemicals instruments <u>over the 2014 to 2016 period</u> (e.g. through the enacting of legislation, programme implementation, or through relevant policies)?

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UNEP - United Nations Environment programme [Not applicable]

D3.1.1 Please briefly describe any changes identified in question D3.1 and briefly describe the outcome with regards to implementation of the instrument(s).

The Republic of Belarus, represented by the Ministry of Health, stated its firm intention to accede to the Rotterdam Convention and began the domestic procedures for accession to the convention.

The Republic of Belarus is a signatory to the Minamata Convention (Decree of the President of the Republic of Belarus dated September 18, 2011, No. 455. Authorized body responsible for implementing the provisions of the Convention, The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection was designated, and the Ministry of Health participated in the development of the road map and assumed the obligations of the Convention related to the health sector, including article 16 Health aspects.

D3.2 Please briefly provide any additional information on how your government or organization is engaged in implementing or supporting key international agreements relevant for chemicals and waste.

The Basel Convention:

-? The prevention of the generation of hazardous wastes and other wastes and their environmentally safe handling are the main tasks identified in the National Strategy for Sustainable Social and Economic Development for the period up to 2020 and the Strategy for the Protection of the Environment for the period up to 2025.

- m amendments to the legislation on waste management to build capacity for the environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes, including their has been adopted;

. The state cadaster of wastes has been established ; it includes information on the volumes of production, storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous wastes, as well as facilities for the treatment of waste, their storage, and disposal.

A new system for regulating and controlling transboundary movement of hazardous wastes and their disposal within the framework of the Eurasian Economic Union has been established, given common procedures and rules for the regulation of transboundary movement of wastes in three countries and taking into account the requirements of the Basel Convention.

The Stockholm Convention:

In 2011, the second National Implementation Plan was adopted by the Republic of Belarus to implement the provisions of the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants for 2011-2015, the main purpose of which is to protect human health and the environment from POPs. The Plan is successfully implemented.

Governance - General

4.4.1 Please briefly provide any additional information you would like to share on your government's or organization's activities relevant to the Governance indicators.

N/a

## Part E: Capacity-building and technical cooperation

ICCM2 selected six indicators to measure progress on the Capacity-building and technical cooperation objective included in SAICM's Overarching Policy Strategy, including one indicator on SAICM's Quick Start Programme Trust Fund(QSP). Information on the QSP indicator will be compiled from sources held by the secretariat. The five remaining indicators relevant to this part of the survey are:

- Financial and in-kind resources to assist capacity-building and technical cooperation;
- Identification and prioritization of capacity-building needs;
- Regional cooperation on sound chemicals management;
- Development assistance programmes that include sound chemicals management; and
- Other sources of funding for capacity-building.

The relevance of many of the indicators for this objective depends on whether a country or organization is primarily a donor or a recipient of capacity building assistance. Therefore, the questions that will be asked in this part are based on your selfidentification as either a donor or recipient. If you prefer to have the opportunity to answer all the questions, simply select "both". Recipient country or organization [A2]

E1: Financial and in-kind resources to assist capacity-building and technical cooperation (Donors only)

E2: Identification and prioritization of capacity-building needs (Recipients only)

Self-identificati

E2.1R Which of the following types of plans, relevant for identifying capacity building needs for chemicals management, has your government or organization completed? [National Chemicals Profile] Completed prior to 2014 [1]

E2.1R Which of the following types of plans, relevant for identifying capacity building needs for chemicals management, has your government or organization completed? [National SAICM Implementation Plan] Not applicable [3]

E2.1R Which of the following types of plans, relevant for identifying capacity building needs for chemicals management, has your government or organization completed? [National Implementation Plan for Stockholm Convention] Updated in 2014-2016 [2]

E2.1R Which of the following types of plans, relevant for identifying capacity building needs for chemicals management, has your government or organization completed? [National Environmental Health Action Plan] Updated in 2014-2016 [2] E2.1R Which of the following types of plans, relevant for identifying capacity building needs for chemicals management, has your government or organization completed? [Other (please specify)]

Not applicable [3]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Legal frameworks that address the life cycle of chemicals and waste] Yes [Y]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Relevant enforcement and compliance mechanisms] Yes [Y]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Implementation of chemicals and waste-related multilateral environmental agreements, as well as health, labour and other relevant conventions and voluntary mechanisms]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Strong institutional frameworks and coordination mechanisms among relevant stakeholders]

Yes [Y]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Collection and systems for the transparent sharing of relevant data and information among all relevant stakeholders using a life cycle approach, such as the implementation of the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals]

Yes [Y]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Industry participation and defined responsibility across the life cycle, including cost recovery policies and systems as well as the incorporation of sound chemicals management into corporate policies and practices]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Inclusion of the sound management of chemicals and waste in national health, labour, social, environment and economic budgeting processes and development plans] Yes [Y]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Chemicals risk assessment and risk reduction through the use of best practices] Yes [Y]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Strengthened capacity to deal with chemicals accidents, including institutional-strengthening for poison centres]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Monitoring and assessing the impacts of chemicals on health and the environment]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Development and promotion of environmentally sound and safer alternatives] Yes [Y]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Other (please describe below)]

E2.2R If possible, please select the priority needs you have identified from the list below (based on the 11 basic elements from the Orientation and Guidance Document): [Not applicable (please explain below)]

Please briefly provide any additional information or comments you wish to share on the identification and prioritization of capacity-building needs.

Improvement of the registration system, development of a national register of hazardous chemicals.

Assessment and resolution of the distribution of chemicals on the market, including information on the volume of chemicals used and produced taking into account their life cycle.

Exception from the turnover of the most dangerous chemicals.

Conducting a risk assessment of public health from exposure to hazardous chemicals, including biomonitoring.

Strengthening of legislation in the field of chemical safety, accession to the Rotterdam Convention.

Achievement of political commitments and strengthening of inter-agency cooperation and coordination, including involving the health sector.

Increased international support for the sound management of chemicals.

Strengthening public participation in the decision-making process.

E3: Development assistance programmes that include sound chemicals management

E3.1R Did your country have a national development plan covering the years between 2014 and 2016 and addressing priority needs for the sound management of chemicals? \*

Yes [A1]

Please provide the name(s) of the relevant development plan(s) in the space below and provide a web link if possible.

National Implementation Plan commitments of the Republic of Belarus to implement the provisions of the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, in 2011-2015. The Plan is successfully implemented.

Please briefly provide any additional information or comments you wish to share relevant to the inclusion of chemicals management in development assistance programmes. N/a

E4: Other sources of funding for capacity-building (Recipients only)

E4.1 Have any of the following sources provided financial support for capacity-building activities for the sound management of chemicals in your country or organization between 2014 and 2016?

Note: The secretariat will use its own records to provide comparative data on funding under the SAICM Quick Start Programme (QSP) so there is no need to identify this source of funding.

[Global Environment Facility (GEF)]

E4.1 Have any of the following sources provided financial support for capacity-building activities for the sound management of chemicals in your country or organization between 2014 and 2016?

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[Multilateral Fund for the Montreal Protocol]

E4.1 Have any of the following sources provided financial support for capacity-building activities for the sound management of chemicals in your country or organization between 2014 and 2016?

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[United Nations or United Nations Agency (e.g., ILO, FAO, UNDP, UNEP, UNIDO, UNITAR, WHO)] Yes [Y] E4.1 Have any of the following sources provided financial support for capacity-building activities for the sound management of chemicals in your country or organization between 2014 and 2016?

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[Regional Cooperation Organization]

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[Regional Development Bank]

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[The World Bank]

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[Multi-lateral Environment Convention Trust Fund]

E4.1 Have any of the following sources provided financial support for capacity-building activities for the sound management of chemicals in your country or organization between 2014 and 2016?

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[Bilateral funding agreement with another country]

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[Foundation or charitable body]

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[Private sector or company]

E4.1 Have any of the following sources provided financial support for capacity-building activities for the sound management of chemicals in your country or organization between 2014 and 2016?

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[Other type of funding source not listed above (please specify)]

E4.1 Have any of the following sources provided financial support for capacity-building activities for the sound management of chemicals in your country or organization between 2014 and 2016?

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[Not known]

E4.1 Have any of the following sources provided financial support for capacity-building activities for the sound management of chemicals in your country or organization between 2014 and 2016?

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[None]

E4.1 Have any of the following sources provided financial support for capacity-building activities for the sound management of chemicals in your country or organization between 2014 and 2016?

Note: The secretariat will use its own records to provide comparative data on funding under the SAICM Quick Start Programme (QSP) so there is no need to identify this source of funding.

[Not applicable]

Please briefly provide any additional details below, including the name of the organization or agency that provided the funding.

"Increased capacity to eliminate and prevent the reuse of obsolete pesticides as a model for addressing the problem of unused hazardous chemicals in the territory of the former Soviet Union"

Donor: FAO

Terms of implementation: 2014-2016

The purpose and objectives of the project:

• Increased development of a systematic approach to the problem of the elimination of obsolete pesticides, persistent organic

pollutants and hazardous wastes in the region

Addressing the risks associated with obsolete pesticides and contaminated sites, as well as due to prolonged regular use of
pesticides

E5: Regional cooperation on sound chemicals management

E5.1 Please indicate whether your government or organization has been engaged in regional cooperative work in any of the following subject areas over the 2014 to 2016 period?

[Risk reduction]

Yes - ongoing (pre-2014) [A1]

E5.1 Please indicate whether your government or organization has been engaged in regional cooperative work in any of the following subject areas over the 2014 to 2016 period?

[Knowledge and information] Yes - ongoing (pre-2014) [A1] E5.1 Please indicate whether your government or organization has been engaged in regional cooperative work in any of the following subject areas over the 2014 to 2016 period?

[Governance]

Yes - ongoing (pre-2014) [A1]

E5.1 Please indicate whether your government or organization has been engaged in regional cooperative work in any of the following subject areas over the 2014 to 2016 period?

[Capacity-building and technical cooperation]

Yes - ongoing (pre-2014) [A1]

E5.1 Please indicate whether your government or organization has been engaged in regional cooperative work in any of the following subject areas over the 2014 to 2016 period?

[Illegal international traffic]

Yes - ongoing (pre-2014) [A1]

E5.1 Please indicate whether your government or organization has been engaged in regional cooperative work in any of the following subject areas over the 2014 to 2016 period?

[Other (please specify below)]

Not applicable [A6]

Please briefly provide any additional information or comments you wish to share on regional cooperation on sound chemicals management.

Participation in the development of the Technical Regulations of the Eurasian Economic Union "On the Safety of Chemical Products", "Requirements for the Safety of Pesticides (Pesticides)", "On the Safety of Household Chemical Goods" and others. The governments of the Member States within the framework of the Eurasian Economic Union adopted the Agreement on Sanitary Measures.

Regulations on the content of chemical substances in products, registration of chemicals products, IHR requirements, customs controls on the movement of hazardous substances.

Capacity-building and technical cooperation - General

Please briefly provide any additional information or comments you would like to share on your government's or organization's activities relevant to the capacity-building and technical cooperation indicators.

Training of personnel in the Republic of Belarus and abroad. Examples:

Study visit on the training of construction and operation of ecological sewage treatment systems based on many years of experience of Polish specialists. Vostok Foundation, Białystok, Republic of Poland (2016).

Training at the Karolinsky Institute of Environmental Medicine. Training course "Health risk assessment: principles and applications of IMM", Stockholm, Sweden (2017) and others.

Strengthening the laboratory base. Example:

- Modernization of the technical base in organizations (testing laboratories (centers) that carry out observations as part of the National Environmental Monitoring System) by introducing analytical equipment, developing technical regulatory legal acts and measuring techniques that meet modern international requirements and ensuring the receipt of complete and reliable environmental information and others.

## Part F: Illegal international traffic

ICCM2 selected two indicators to measure progress on the Governance objective included in SAICM's Overarching Policy Strategy, as follows:

- Illegal traffic in toxic, hazardous and severely restricted chemicals; and
- Illegal traffic in hazardous waste.

This sixth and final part of the survey asks questions relevant to these two indicators.

F1: Illegal traffic in toxic, hazardous and severely restricted chemicals

F1.1. Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international traffic of hazardous chemicals are in place in your country or organization? [Implementation of national legislation preventing illegal traffic of hazardous chemicals] Ongoing pre-2014 [A1]

F1.1. Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international traffic of hazardous chemicals are in place in your country or organization? [Communication of information on movements of hazardous chemicals out of the country to neighbouring countries]

Ongoing pre-2014 [A1]

F1.1. Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international traffic of hazardous chemicals are in place in your country or organization? [Public information and awareness on levels and cases of illegal trade and remedial actions undertaken]

Not known [A5]

F1.1. Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international traffic of hazardous chemicals are in place in your country or organization? [Specific training of border control agents] Not known [A5]

F1.1. Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international traffic of hazardous chemicals are in place in your country or organization? [Cooperation and/legal agreements with neighbouring countries] Ongoing pre-2014 [A1]

F1.1. Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international traffic of hazardous chemicals are in place in your country or organization? [Monitoring of international traffic in hazardous chemicals] Ongoing pre-2014 [A1]

F1.1. Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international traffic of hazardous chemicals are in place in your country or organization? [Other measures not stated above (please specify)] Not known [A5]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share.

All activities since 2010 are supported within the framework of the agreements of the Eurasian Economic Union and the International Health Regulations

F2: Illegal international traffic of hazardous waste

F2.1 Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international trade in hazardous waste are in place in your country or organization? [Implementation of national legislation preventing illegal traffic of hazardous waste] Ongoing pre-2014 [1]

F2.1 Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international trade in hazardous waste are in place in your country or organization? [Communication of information on movements of hazardous waste out of the country to neighbouring countries]

Ongoing pre-2014 [1]

F2.1 Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international trade in hazardous waste are in place in your country or organization? [Public information and awareness on levels and cases of illegal trade remedial actions undertaken] Not known [5]

F2.1 Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international trade in hazardous waste are in place in your country or organization? [Specific training of border control agents]

Ongoing pre-2014 [1]

F2.1 Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international trade in hazardous waste are in place in your country or organization? [Cooperation and/legal agreements with neighbouring countries] Ongoing pre-2014 [1]

F2.1 Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international trade in hazardous waste are in place in your country or organization? [Monitoring of international traffic in hazardous waste]

Ongoing pre-2014 [1]

F2.1 Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international trade in hazardous waste are in place in your country or organization? [National legislation implementing Article 9 of the Basel Convention concerning illegal traffic] Ongoing pre-2014 [1]

F2.1 Which of the following activities in support of preventing illegal international trade in hazardous waste are in place in your country or organization? [Other measures not stated above] Not applicable [6]

Please briefly provide any additional information you wish to share.

Under the Protocol on Non-Tariff Regulation Measures for Third Countries (Annex No. 7 to the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014) and the Decision of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission No. 30 of April 21, 2015, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection issues permits for transboundary movement of waste.

Illegal international traffic - Genera

Please briefly provide any additional information or comments you would like to share on your government's or organization's activities relevant to the indicators for illegal international traffic.

State registration of all chemical substances and mixtures (produced and imported).

Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection conducts all the necessary measures in accordance with the requirements of the Basel Convention.

End of Survey

You have reached the end of this survey. Your participation will help to ensure that the third SAICM report on progress is accurate and complete so it can be used to measure progress in SAICM over the 2014 to 2016 period. It will also contribute useful information to assist in setting future priorities for the global sound management of chemicals and waste.

## As a reminder:

- Your link to this survey is unique and can only be used to submit one survey response.
- You are requested to consult as necessary and appropriate, and provide a single consolidated response for your country or organization.
- You can save the survey at different points and resume completion at any time before the deadline.
- Once you click submit, you will be given the opportunity to print your survey response but you will not be able to access the survey again.

Thank you for participating.

Do you consent to your government or organization's response being made publicly available on the SAICM website? Yes [A1]