

Global Framework on Chemicals – for a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste

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Global Framework on Chemicals: capacity-building

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Note by the secretariat

I. Introduction

1. At its fifth session, held in Bonn, Germany, in September 2023, the International Conference on Chemicals Management adopted the Global Framework on Chemicals – for a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste. Arrangements related to capacity-building are outlined in section VIII of the Framework.
2. Section VIII provides that the International Conference of the Global Framework on Chemicals will develop a strategy for capacity-building and supporting technology transfer on mutually agreed terms, recognizing that the industries are profitable and production is growing worldwide. The strategy will include capacity-building tools and other initiatives.

II. Activities to implement the resolution

3. The secretariat of the Global Framework on Chemicals has developed a draft strategy for capacity-building and supporting technology transfer on mutually agreed terms (UNEP/GFC/OEWG.1/INF/16) for consideration by the Open-ended Working Group at its first meeting.

III. Proposed action

4. The Open-ended Working Group may wish to:

Request the secretariat, on the basis of any recommendations issued by the Open-ended Working Group at its first meeting, to finalize a draft strategy for capacity-building and supporting technology transfer on mutually agreed terms, for consideration by the International Conference of the Global Framework on Chemicals at its first session, in 2026.

* UNEP/GFC/OEWG.1/1.