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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues  
Date: Thursday, 31 January 2013 (10h00 - morning only)  
Venue: COUNCIL  
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Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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**Synergies (Rotterdam/Stockholm/Basel Conventions)**

1. **UNEP 27<sup>th</sup> Session of the Governing Council/GMEF  
(Nairobi, Kenya, 18 - 22 February 2013)**
  - Draft Synergies Decision
  - = Finalisation of EU position / toolbox
2. **Ordinary and Extraordinary meetings of the conferences of the Parties to the Basel,  
Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions**
  - a) Roadmap
  - b) Report from the Joint Bureaux meeting (13-14 December 2012)

- c) Enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions:
  - i) Review of arrangements adopted pursuant to the synergies decisions
  - ii) Proposal for the organization of the secretariats of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions
  - iii) Joint activities for the biennium 2014-2015
  - iv) Budget for joint activities and possible necessary amendments to the budget of the three conventions for the biennium 2014-2015
  - v) Outcome of the UNEP Executive Director's consultative process on financing options for chemicals and wastes
- = Preparation of EU position

**3. Exchange of views with the Executive Secretary to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions**

- Organisation of work
- High level segment
- UNEP/FAO review of synergies process

**4. Any other business**

*Relevant documents for the meeting will be circulated later*

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