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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues (Int. Chemicals / Synergies)

Date: 22 and 23 October 2018
Time: 10.00, 10.00
Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

MONDAY, 22 OCTOBER 2018 (10h00)

International Chemicals

1. Minamata Convention - Preparation for the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 2) (Geneva, 19-23 November 2018)
 - a) Exchange of views with the Executive Secretary of the Minamata Convention
 - b) Outreach
= *Information from the Presidency and the Commission*

- c) Report from the Ad hoc group of Experts on effectiveness evaluation
= *Information from the Co-Chair of the Expert group*
- d) Workshop on mercury waste thresholds (Brussels, 12 October 2018)
= *Information from the Commission*
- e) Specific International Programme (SIP)
= *Information from the Co-Chair of the Governing Board on the first round of applications*
- f) CEE Regional Meeting (Chisinau, Moldova, 16-18 October 2018)
= *Information from the Bureau member*
- g) Draft Practical arrangements
- h) Organisational matters
 - Election of officers
- i) Draft revised position paper
 - a) Technical issues
 - b) Horizontal issues (Financing/Compliance/Budget)
= *Discussion*

TUESDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2018 (10h00)

- 2. Stockholm Convention
 - 14th POPs Review Committee (Rome, 17-21 September 2018)
= *Information from the Presidency and the Commission*
- 3. Rotterdam Convention
 - a) 14th Chemicals Review Committee (Rome, 11-13 September 2018)
= *Information from the Commission*
 - b) Compliance Mechanism
= *Information from Presidency and Commission*

Synergies

4. Joint meeting of the Bureaux of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (Geneva, 15-16 November 2018)
= *Information from the Bureau members*

5. Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) and the Sound Management of Chemicals and Waste Beyond 2020 (SMCW)
 - a) SAICM CEE Regional Meeting (Chisinau, Moldova, 16-17 October 2018)
= *Information from the Bureau member*

 - b) Intersessional Process
 - i) Latest developments
= *Information from the Bureau members*

 - ii) Outcome on the Expert meeting on objectives C and D (Brussels, 17 September 2018)

 - iii) Governance and structure
= *Discussion*

 - c) Informal EU-JUSCANNZ Meeting, (Paris, 9 November 2018)
= *Lines to take*
= *Information from the Bureau members*

6. UNEA 4 - Status of preparations regarding chemicals and waste
= *Information from the Presidency and the Estonia delegation*

7. Any other business

NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal. Room attendants will provide copies on request at the earliest opportunity.