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### **COMMUNICATION**

#### **NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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Subject:	Informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on International Environment Issues (Int. Chemicals / Synergies) ( <b><u>morning only</u></b> )
Date:	19 March 2021
Time:	10.00
Venue:	Videoconference

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1. Preparation of the Conference of Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions
  - a) Organization of Triple COP (follow-up from *BRS Meeting of 26 February*)  
= *Information from the Bureaux members*
  - b) Elections of officers  
= *Information from the Presidency and Commission*
2. Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) and the Sound Management of Chemicals and Waste Beyond 2020 (SMCW)
  - a) ICCM5 Bureau meeting (24 March 2021)  
= Survey on VWG process and Recommendations for a preparatory process for the postponed IP4 and ICCM5  
- *Information from the Presidency and a Bureau member and discussion*
  - b) Virtual Working Groups  
= *Information from the Presidency - update and way forward*

3. Preparation of the fourth meeting of the Conference of Parties to the Minamata Convention (COP4) (Bali, 1 - 5 November 2021)
  - a) Organization of COP 4
    - = *Information from Bureau members (follow-up Bureau meeting 3 March 2021)*
    - = *Discussion on options*
  - b) Draft EU submission on the review of Annexes A and B of the Minamata Convention
    - = *Presentation by Commission and discussion*
  - c) “Norway-Canada Facilitative Process for Minamata Effectiveness Evaluation: Proposed Policy Options for Discussion”
    - = *Discussion on how to approach NO/CAN initiative*
4. Any other business

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NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal.