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

Date: 7 June 2018

Time: 10.00

Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

International Chemicals

1. Minamata Convention: Intersessional work on mercury and preparation for the Conference of Parties (COP-2)
 - a) Effectiveness evaluation
 - *Discussion*
 - b) Draft guidelines on the interim storage of mercury and mercury compounds
 - *Information from the Presidency and the Commission.*
 - c) Outcome of the Bureau teleconference (27 April 2018)
 - *Information from the Bureau members and discussion*

2. Rotterdam Convention: Reports from recent meetings
 - a) Informal meeting on the compliance mechanism (San José, Costa Rica, 22-23 May 2018)
 - *Information from the Commission*
 - b) Meeting of the intersessional working group on enhancing the effectiveness of the Rotterdam Convention (Riga, Latvia, 4-6 June 2018)
 - *Information from the Commission*

Synergies

3. Intersessional process for considering SAICM and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020
 - a) Draft report from the second meeting (Stockholm, Sweden, 13-15 March 2018)
 - *Information from the Presidency and the Commission*
 - b) Revised "thought starter" on objectives and milestones: Global Strategic Approach for chemicals and waste Beyond 2020 - Further elaboration of the input by the EU and its Member States
 - *Discussion*
4. Upcoming BRS Bureau meetings (19-20 June 2018 Basel Convention, only for cross-cutting issues, 26-27 June 2018, Rotterdam Convention and 3-4 July 2018 Stockholm Convention, Geneva)
 - *Information from the Bureau members and discussion*
5. Any other business.

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