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INFORMATION

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Working Party on International Environment Issues (Basel) Working Party on International Environment Issues (International Chemicals)

Subject:	WPIEI (Int. Chemicals/Synergies): Roadmap for the work during the Polish Presidency (1 January – 30 June 2025)
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Delegations will find attached, for information, the roadmap for the work of the WPIEI (Int. Chemicals/Synergies) during the Polish Presidency (1 January - 30 June 2025).

Working Party on International Environmental Issues (WPIEI) International Chemicals/Synergies

Roadmap

1 January- 30 June 2025

I. Work programme

Under the Polish Presidency, WPIEI (Int. Chemicals/Synergies) will mainly focus on the following topics :

- The second meeting of the third session of the ad-hoc open-ended working group for the establishment of the Science-Policy Panel on chemicals, waste and pollution prevention on 6 – 12 April 2025 in Hangzhou, China (to be confirmed; alternate date and venue 14-20 June 2025, Nairobi, Kenya) (SPP OEWG-3.2);
- The Intergovernmental Meeting to adopt the science-policy panel on chemicals, waste and pollution prevention.
- The Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions on 28 April – 9 May 2025 in Geneva, Switzerland.
- The first session of the open-ended working group for the Global Framework on Chemicals – For a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste - on 23 – 27 June 2025 in Nairobi, Kenya (GFC OEWG-1).

WPIEI (Int. Chemicals/Synergies) meetings will be in-person and through informal videoconferences. In-person sessions will be held in the Council buildings, in principle. Small informal EU+MS expert group meetings are expected to be held online.

Documents will be issued in English on the Delegates Portal. The discussions during the WPIEI (Int. Chemicals/Synergies) meetings will be conducted in English.

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II. WPIEI Int. Chemicals/Synergies meetings

Date	Tentative agenda*	Venue
22 January 2025	<p>Presentation of the programme of the Polish Presidency and the Presidency Team</p> <p>Preparation for the OEWG-3.2 and intergovernmental meeting under the SPP</p> <p>Intersessional work under the Rotterdam and the Stockholm Conventions, covering the joint issues and preparation for the Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS COPs)</p> <p>Intersessional work under the Minamata Convention.</p> <p>Global Framework on Chemicals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> preparation for the upcoming relevant meetings; <p>Other issues (to be decided based on the state of play at the moment of the meeting)</p>	Full-day, VTC
10 February 2025	<p>Preparation for the OEWG-3.2 and intergovernmental meeting under the SPP – work on the EU&MS position paper and statements</p> <p>Preparation for the BRS COPs - work on the EU&MS position papers.</p> <p>Intersessional work under the Rotterdam and the Stockholm Conventions, covering the joint issues and preparation for the Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS COPs).</p> <p>Intersessional work under the Minamata Convention.</p> <p>Global Framework on Chemicals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> preparations for the relevant meetings including work on the EU&MS comments or position. <p>Other issues (to be decided based on the state of play at the moment of the meeting)</p>	Full-day, in-person, Council building in Brussels
5 March 2025	<p>Preparation for the OEWG-3.2 and intergovernmental meeting under the SPP - work on the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EU&MS position paper and statements, practical arrangements. <p>Preparation for the BRS COPs:</p>	Full-day, in-person, Council buildings in Brussels

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> continuation of the work on the EU&MS position papers; practical arrangements. <p>Global Framework on Chemicals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> preparation for the GFC OEWG-1 – work on the EU&MS position paper; other relevant meetings – preparing the EU&MS position or providing related reports. <p>Intersessional work under the Minamata Convention.</p> <p>Other issues (to be decided based on the state of play at the moment of the meeting)</p>	
31 March 2025	<p>Preparation for the OEWG-3.2 and intergovernmental meeting under the SPP – finalising the EU&MS position paper and statements.</p> <p>Preparation for the BRS COPs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> continuation of the work on the EU&MS position papers (aiming to finalise as much as possible); practical arrangements. <p>Global Framework on Chemicals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> preparation for the GFC OEWG-1 – work on the EU&MS position paper; other relevant meetings – preparing EU&MS position or providing related reports. <p>Intersessional work under the Minamata Convention</p> <p>Other issues (to be decided based on the state of play at the moment of the meeting)</p>	Full-day, VTC
16 April 2025	<p>Outcomes of the OEWG-3.2 and intergovernmental meeting</p> <p>Preparation for the BRS COPs – finalising/ continuation of work on the EU position papers and statements</p> <p>Global Framework on Chemicals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> preparation for the GFC OEWG-1 – work on the EU&MS position paper; other relevant meetings – preparing EU&MS position or providing related reports. <p>Intersessional work under the Minamata Convention and initiation of the preparation for the 6th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention.</p>	Full-day, in-person, Council buildings in Brussels

	Other issues ((to be decided based on the state of play at the moment of the meeting))	
21 May 2025	<p>Outcomes of the BRS COPs.</p> <p>Global Framework on Chemicals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> preparation for the GFC OEWG-1 – work on the: EU&MS position paper and the EU&MS statements, practical arrangements for the GFC OEWG1, other relevant meetings – preparing the EU&MS position or providing related reports. <p>Preparation for the 6th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention.</p> <p>Other issues (to be decided based on the state of play at the moment of the meeting)</p>	Full-day, in-person, Council buildings in Brussels
13 June 2025	<p>Global Framework on Chemicals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> preparation for the GFC OEWG-1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> finalizing the EU&MS position paper and the EU&MS statements and practical arrangements for the GFC OEWG1, other relevant meetings – preparing the EU&MS position or providing related reports. <p>Preparation for the 6th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention.</p> <p>Other issues (to be decided based on the state of play at the moment of the meeting)</p>	Full-day, in-person, Council buildings in Brussels

* The tentative agenda indicates possible organising of the discussions during the WPIEI Chemicals/ Synergies from January to June 2025 and aims to facilitate setting up the final WPIEI meeting agendas, adapted to the state of play.

III. Other scheduled relevant meetings

Relevant EU meetings

Date	Event	Venue
27 March 2025	Environment Council	Brussels
17 June 2025	Environment Council	Luxembourg

Date	Event	Venue
16 January 2025	WPIEI Basel	Online
7 February 2025	WPIEI Basel	Brussels
7 March 2025	WPIEI Basel	Brussels
11 April 2025	WPIEI Basel	Brussels
4 June 2025	WPIEI Basel	Brussels

Date	Event	Venue
17 January 2025	WPIEI Global	Brussels
12 February 2025	WPIEI Global	Brussels
3 March 2025	WPIEI Global	Brussels
5 April 2025	WPIEI Global	Brussels
16 May 2025	WPIEI Global	Brussels
6 June 2025	WPIEI Global	Brussels

Relevant international meetings

Date	Event	Venue
23 January 2025	Meeting of the open-ended ad hoc group on measurability and indicators; 2nd meeting of the task team under workstream 2 (GFC OEWGMI)	Online
30 January 2025	6 th meeting of the GFC Bureau	Online
12 February 2025	4 th meeting of the open-ended ad hoc group on measurability and indicators (GFC OEWGMI)	Online
24-26 February 2025	IOMC Workshop on Economic and Industry Sector Implementation Programme	Hybrid
26-28 March 2025	Central-Eastern Europe regional meeting	Warsaw, Poland
6 – 12 April 2025 or 14 – 20 June 2025	The second meeting of the third session of the ad hoc open-ended working group on a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution (OEWG-3.2) and the intergovernmental meeting to adopt the SPP	China or Kenya TBC
28 April – 09 May 2025	The Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions	Geneva, Switzerland
June 2025	7 th meeting of the GFC Bureau	TBC
20-21 June 2025	Meeting of the open-ended ad hoc group on measurability and indicators (GFC OEWGMI)	Nairobi, Kenya TBC
23 – 27 June 2025	The first session of the open-ended working group for the Global Framework on Chemicals – For a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste (GFC OEWG-1).	Nairobi, Kenya
June 2025	8 th meeting of the GFC Bureau	TBC



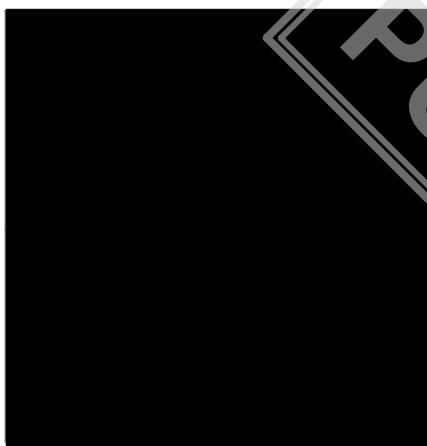
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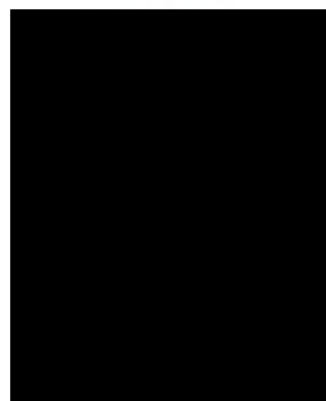
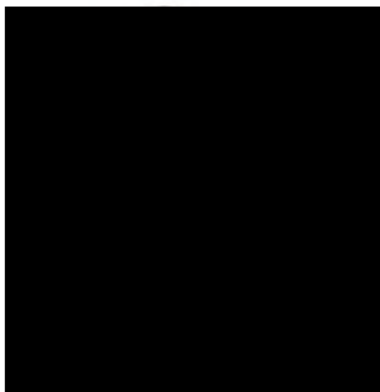
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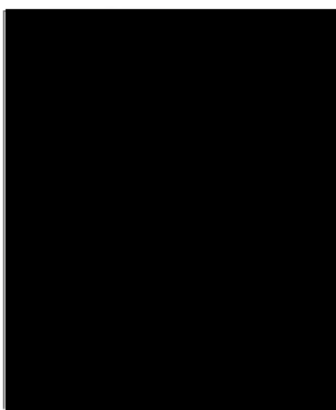


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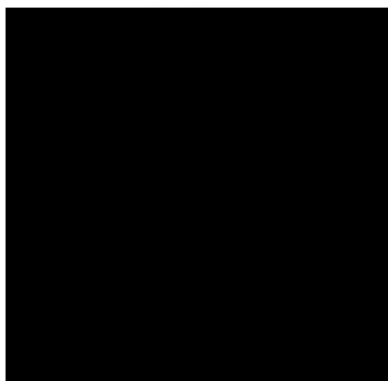


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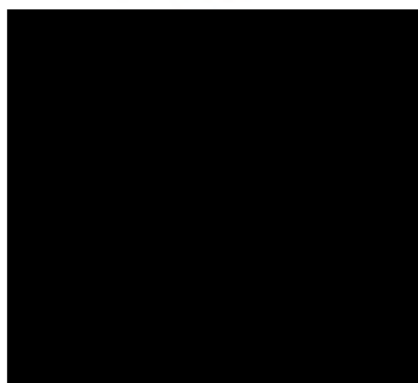


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