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the Protocol on PRTRs
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Updates on listing and reporting of hazardous chemicals and wastes under the BRS Conventions

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Objectives of the BRS Conventions



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CONVENTIONS

Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal: created to protect human health and the environment from the negative effects of the inappropriate management of hazardous wastes worldwide

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade: facilitates information exchange about characteristics of hazardous chemicals and pesticides and provides for a national decision-making process on their import and export

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants: a global treaty to protect human health and the environment from persistent organic pollutants (POPs), which are highly dangerous, long-lasting chemicals, by restricting and ultimately eliminating their production, use, trade and release

The Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions are **multilateral environmental agreements**, which share the common objective of protecting human health and the environment from hazardous chemicals and wastes

BRS 2023 COPs

Basel Convention **COP-16**

Rotterdam Convention **COP-11**

Stockholm Convention **COP-11**

“Accelerating Action: Targets for the Sound Management of Chemicals and Waste”

1-12 May 2023, Geneva, Switzerland

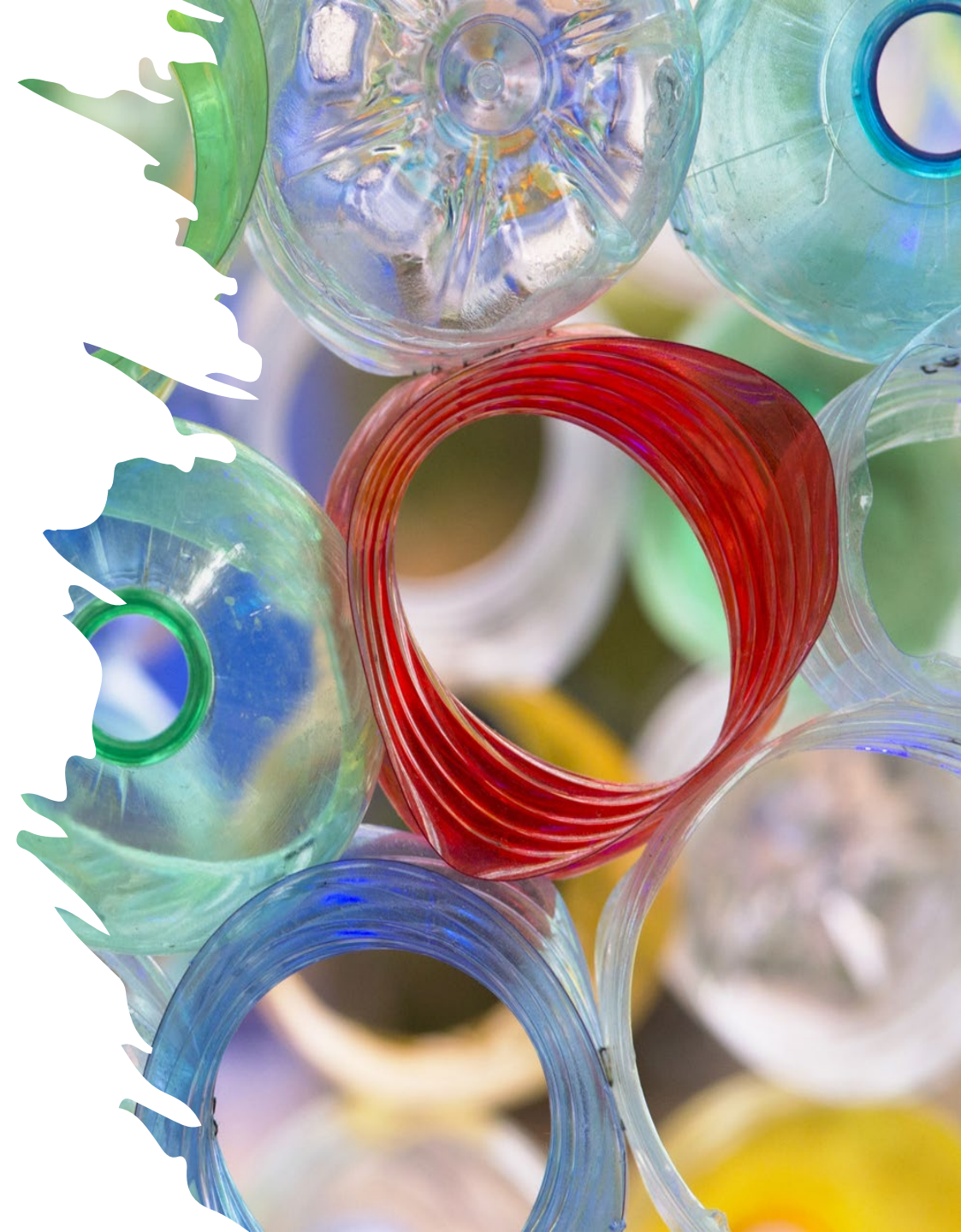




BASEL CONVENTION

COP-16 main outcomes

- **Adoption of Technical Guidelines:**
 - Technical guidelines on **environmentally sound management (ESM) of plastic wastes**
 - Technical guidelines on **ESM of POPs wastes**
 - Technical guidelines on transboundary movements of **electronic and electrical waste and used electrical and electronic equipment** (on interim basis)
 - Further work to take place on: Technical guidelines on **waste lead-acid batteries, other batteries, POPs wastes and pneumatic tyres**
- **Improving the PIC procedure:**
 - Small intersessional working group (SIWG) to improve the PIC procedure
 - Extended the work on electronic approaches to notification and movement documents
- **Partnership Programme:**
 - Reviewed progress and extended the work of the **Partnership for Action on Challenges relating to E-waste**, the **Environmental Network for Optimizing Regulatory Compliance on Illegal Traffic (ENFORCE)**, the **Partnership on Plastic Waste (PWP)** and **Household Waste Partnership (HHWP)**

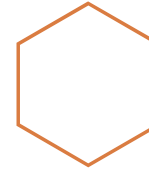




ROTTERDAM CONVENTION

ON THE PRIOR INFORMED CONSENT PROCEDURE
FOR CERTAIN HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS
AND PESTICIDES IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE

TEXT AND ANNEXES
REVISED IN 2019



ROTTERDAM CONVENTION



COP-11 main outcomes

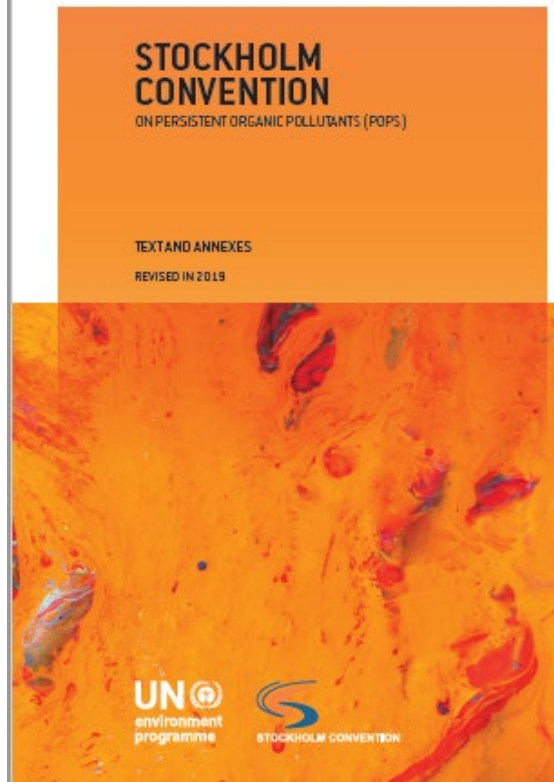
Listing of chemicals in Annex III

- The COP amended Annex III to list:
 - **Terbufos (pesticide)**
- Chemicals listed in Annex III are subject to the PIC procedure

Enhancing the effectiveness of the Convention

- Work was launched to enhance the Convention's effectiveness by addressing the impacts regarding the listing of chemicals in Annex III and its implementation
- Proposal to amend the Convention was not adopted





STOCKHOLM CONVENTION



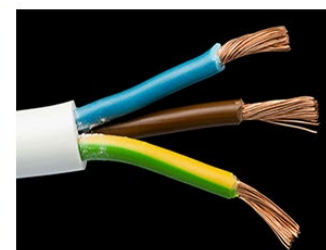
COP-11 main outcomes

Listing of chemicals in Annex A

- The COP amended Annex A to list:
 - **Methoxychlor without specific exemptions**
 - **Dechlorane Plus with specific exemptions**
 - **UV-328 with specific exemptions**
- Chemicals listed in Annex A may no longer be produced, used, imported and exported by Parties to the Convention

Took stock of progress in eliminating PCBs

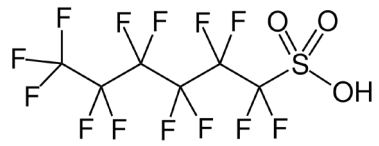
- While recognizing significant progress on PCB elimination around the globe, the COP urged Parties to meet their obligations towards 2025 and 2028 deadlines, considering specific needs and challenges of developing countries



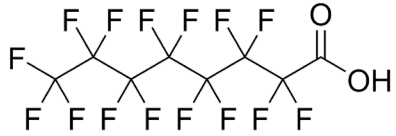


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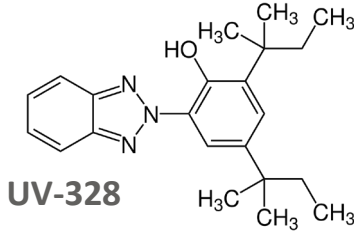
Plastics-related chemicals under the Stockholm Convention



PFHxS, its salts and PFHxS-related compounds



PFOA, its salts and PFOA-related compounds



UV-328

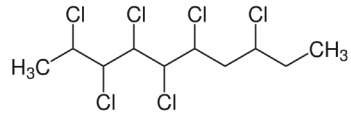
34 POPs

17 plastics-related chemicals

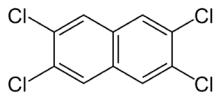
Elimination
Specific exemptions

Restriction

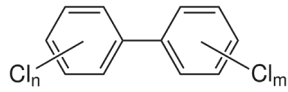
Acceptable purposes



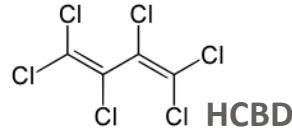
SCCPs



PCNs



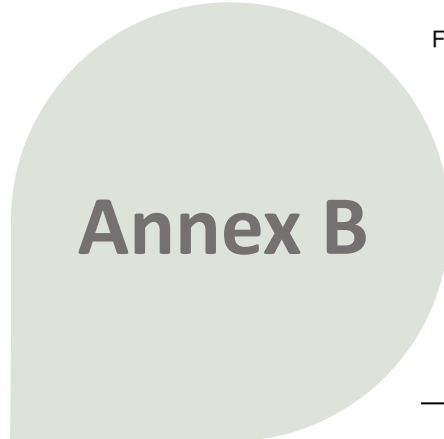
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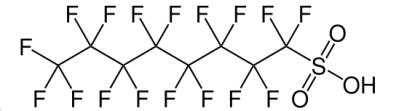
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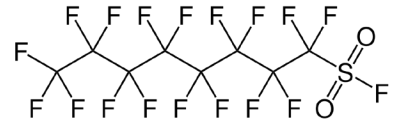
Annex A



Annex B



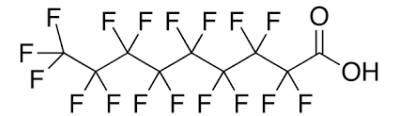
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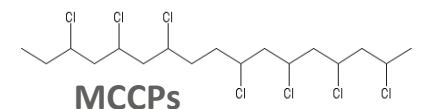
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Under review

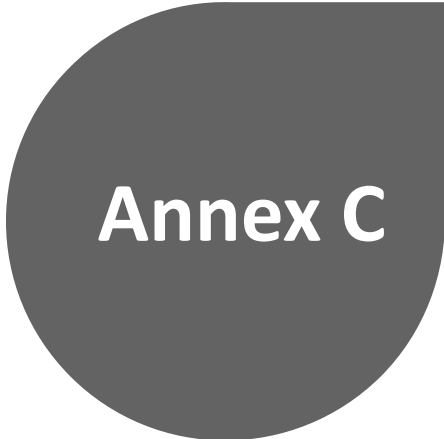
POPs Review Committee



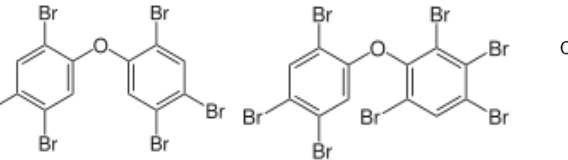
Long-chain PFCAs



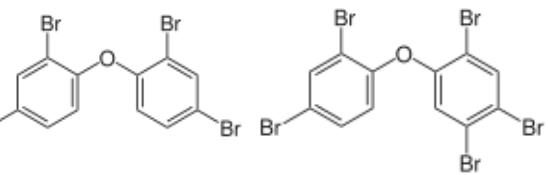
MCCPs



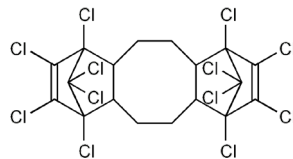
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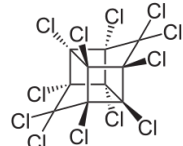
HexaBDE and HeptaBDE (C-OctaBDE)



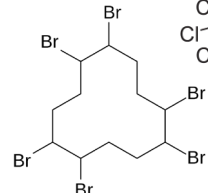
TetraBDE and PentaBDE (C-PentaBDE)



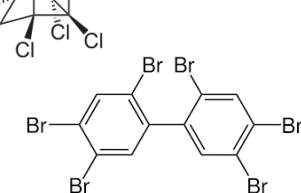
Dechlorane Plus



Mirex



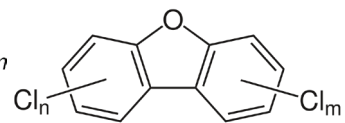
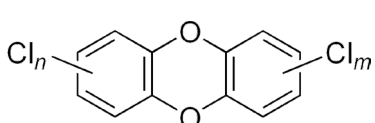
HBCDD



Hexabromobiphenyl

Unintentional releases

BAT/BEP



Dioxins and furans



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