

Global NIP Update Round Table

“Inside the POPs inventory: Lessons, challenges, and successes from the Global NIP Update”, April 14, 14:00 -15:30 CEST, GMT +2

Registration: <https://www.greenpolicyplatform.org/ZdG>

Introduction

This roundtable is the twelfth event in GGKP’s ongoing knowledge-sharing series, held under Component 4 (Knowledge Management and Information Sharing) of the GEF project ID 10785, titled Global Development, Review, and Update of National Implementation Plans (NIPs) under the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)—hereinafter referred to as the Global NIP Update Project.

Bringing together project countries, Parties to the Stockholm Convention, and regional centers, this session will provide an interactive platform for sharing experiences, challenges, and practical insights on POPs inventory development and updates. As countries progress at different speeds, this roundtable aims to bridge knowledge gaps by facilitating peer-to-peer learning—from those nearing completion of their inventory reports to those just starting or facing significant roadblocks.

With input from international experts, discussions will highlight key technical aspects of POPs inventories, common obstacles, and best practices that have emerged across regions. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions, seek expert advice, and explore solutions for improving data collection, analysis, and overall inventory processes.

This is more than just a webinar—it's an open conversation where project teams and technical specialists can look inside the inventory process, reflect on lessons learned, and explore how to enhance future efforts in tackling POPs pollution.

Format

This interactive roundtable will take place virtually via Zoom. Participants are encouraged to share their insights in various ways—whether through live discussions, presentations, or informal storytelling about their inventory processes. Photos and videos from field visits are highly welcomed to bring real-world context to the conversation. The session will be supported by a panel of international experts, who will provide feedback, answer questions, and offer practical guidance on overcoming inventory-related challenges, improving data collection rates, and enhancing sampling and analysis efforts. All materials, resources, and a recording of the session will be made available afterward through GGKP’s knowledge platform, ensuring continued access to the shared insights and best practices.

Objectives

- Facilitate peer-to-peer learning – Create a space for project countries and regional centers to exchange real-world experiences, lessons learned, and best practices in developing and updating POPs inventories.
- Address challenges and solutions – Identify common obstacles in the POPs inventory process, such as data collection gaps, technical and analytical barriers, and resource constraints, and explore practical solutions with insights from experts and experienced countries.
- Enhance technical knowledge – Provide expert guidance on improving POPs inventory workflows, including sampling techniques, data analysis, and reporting methodologies, to support countries at different stages of their inventory development.
- Strengthen regional and global collaboration – Encourage ongoing dialogue between project countries, regional centers, and international experts to foster stronger cooperation, improve knowledge-sharing mechanisms, and enhance future inventory efforts

Target audience

- Stockholm Convention Official Contact Points and National Focal Points particularly from project countries
- National officials and experts involved in the process of reviewing and updating the NIPs
- Members of the National Statistical Office and similar institutions
- Practitioners working on POPs inventory and management
- Members of NIP National Coordinating Mechanism/ Committees and Project Coordination Units/Thematic Task Groups
- Representatives of regional centers and relevant stakeholders.

Date and time

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Agenda (please note that the indicated time is in CEST, GMT+2)

CEST 14:00	1. Welcome and Opening Remarks
	<i>Moderator: Ms. Anastasiya Buchok, Component 4, GGKP.</i>
14:10	Representatives of the countries of Eastern and Western Africa

14:25	Expert panel – Dr. Roland Weber, Dr. Ramesh Kumar, Ms. Marcia Cecilia Suazo
14:40	Representatives of the countries of Latin America and Caribbean
15:00	Representatives of the countries of Central and Eastern Europe
15:10	Expert panel – Dr. Roland Weber, Dr. Ramesh Kumar, Ms. Marcia Cecilia Suazo
15:25	Closing remarks

The event will be held in English. Simultaneous interpretation to French, Spanish and Russian shall be provided.

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