

NOTIFICATION

ALL BODIES OR AGENCIES WISHING TO BE REPRESENTED BY OBSERVERS DURING THE TENTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Ref.: 11/YES

The tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal will be held from 17 to 21 October 2011 at the Cartagena de Indias Convention Centre, Cartagena de Indias, Colombia.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties, the Secretariat hereby notifies bodies or agencies, whether national or international, governmental or non-governmental, qualified in fields relating to the transboundary movements of hazardous wastes as well as their management and disposal, and which have informed the Secretariat of their wish to be represented, of this meeting.

Request for admission

Those bodies or agencies not having previously been admitted to meetings of the Conference of the Parties and requesting admission to participate in such meetings as observers in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure are invited to complete, sign and return the attached application form. The completed, signed application form must be returned to the Secretariat (Ms. Yvonne Ewang-Sanvincenti: email – yvonne.ewang@unep.org; Fax: +41 22 797 3454) with supporting documentation as to the legal status of the requesting organization, such as Articles of Incorporation, Certificate of Registration with the relevant authorities etc. as soon as possible and no later than **30 June 2011**.

Registration

Observers that have previously been admitted to or participated in meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention are invited to communicate the name, contact address, email address, telephone and fax numbers of designated representative or representatives using the registration form (available on the Basel Convention website: www.basel.int) for each member of the delegation. The registration forms must be returned to the Secretariat (Ms. Bella Lawson: email – bella.lawson@unep.org; Fax: +41 22 797 3454) as the earliest possible convenience and no later than **30 June 2011**.

For specific questions on the admissions procedure, please contact Ms. Yvonne Ewang-Sanvincenti at the Secretariat at the above-mentioned e-mail address.

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Application for admission as an observer to meetings and sessions of the Basel Convention bodies

Article 15 paragraph 6 of the Basel Convention and Rule 7 paragraph 1 of the Basel Convention rules of procedure provide, inter alia, that any body or agency, whether national or international, governmental or non-governmental, qualified in fields relating to the transboundary movement of hazardous wastes as well as their management and disposal, which has informed the Secretariat of its wish to be represented, at a meeting of the Conference of the Parties may be represented by observers, subject to the condition that their admission to the meeting is not objected to by at least one third of the Parties present at the meeting.¹

To apply for admission as an observer to meetings or sessions of the Basel Convention bodies (Conference of the Parties – COP and Open-Ended Working Group - OEWG), interested organizations should fill out the present application form and send it, along with supporting documents, to Ms. Yvonne Ewang-Sanvincenti (yvonne.ewang@unep.org) no later than **30 June 2011**. The Secretariat will screen the applications to check whether they are complete and in conformity with the above-mentioned requirements. Successful applications will be submitted to the Bureau of the next Convention body meeting to take place. In the event organizations wish to attend a meeting of the Open-Ended Working Group prior to their application being reviewed by a COP, such organizations may be admitted as observers to the OEWG on a provisional basis and will be considered for official admission as an observer to sessions of the Basel Convention bodies at the following session of the COP, which is the ultimate authority of the Basel Convention.

I. Name:

Contact person (if any): (Mr. / Ms.)

Job Title:

Department / Division:

Address:

Tel:

Fax:

Email:

National or international:

Hazardous waste and other waste related activities and publications:

II. ECOSOC status:

If the organisation is not in consultative status with ECOSOC, please provide the following information:

¹ The admission of the "United Nations and its specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and any State and any political and/or economic integration organization not party to the Convention" as observers during Convention bodies meetings is governed by Article 15 paragraph 6 of the Basel Convention and Rule 6 of the Basel Convention rules of procedure.

If the organisation is not in consultative status with ECOSOC, please provide the following information:

III. Membership:

Registration status:

Date of registration:

Other details of the status of the organisation (information on statutes, constitution/charter, sources of funding – please enclose copies of relevant supporting documents):

Date:

Signature:

Seal:

(the application shall be signed by an official of the head office)
