



Pesticide Action Network / IPEN side event: Closing the Gap on Highly Hazardous Pesticides (HHPs): Agroecology & the Global Alliance to Phase-out HHPs

Time: 18:15 – 19:45 **Location**: Room 4

Panelists:

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Moderator: Björn Hansen (European Commission)

Harms associated with pesticide exposure disproportionally impact low- and middle-income countries. There are cost-effective, proven methods of phasing out HHPs across the globe through agroecology, and high level support for this approach. At this side event, delegates will learn about agroecology and the proposed Global Alliance to Phase-out HHPs, and discuss how ICCM4 could effectively move countries toward safer alternatives and fulfillment of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) on sustainable agriculture. PAN will also release its new book, *Replacing Chemicals with Biology: Phasing out Highly Hazardous Pesticides with Agroecology*, and deliver a free copy to all attendees.

