

## Batumi Initiative on Green Economy

Actions by

**IPEN, Eco-Accord, Ecological Independent Expertise, Foundation in Support of Civil Initiatives**

1. Organization: **The International Persistent Organic Pollutants Elimination Network (IPEN); Eco-Accord, Ecological Independent Expertise, Foundation in Support of Civil Initiatives**  
Region: **Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia (EECCA)**
2. Title of the action (referencing in parenthesis the number of the related focus area(s) that the initiative will contribute to):  
**Establishing multistakeholder cooperation to address the obligations of the three chemical conventions (Stockholm, Basel, Rotterdam) (Focus area: 9)**
3. Description of the action:  
**Establishing multistakeholder cooperation at the regional level to implement the obligations under the three conventions (Stockholm, Basel, Rotterdam) will contribute to the unification of efforts to reduce exposure to hazardous chemicals and waste on human health and the environment, promote the development of synergies in the performance of obligations under international agreements, related to chemical safety.**
4. Time frame/milestones, for the action, as appropriate: **2016-2020**
5. Type of action:<sup>a</sup> **legal, regulatory and policy instruments**
6. Economic sectors:<sup>b</sup> **agriculture, waste**
7. Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate:

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**[www.ipen.org](http://www.ipen.org)**

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**[www.eco-expertise.org](http://www.eco-expertise.org)**

**[ghs.eco-expertise.org](http://ghs.eco-expertise.org)**

**[www.mineconom.kg](http://www.mineconom.kg)**

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8. Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome:

**Project major outcomes include:**

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10. SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement:

**The activities proposed will contribute to the achievement of the Post-2015 Development Goals. This is most clearly true for the following:**

- ***Goal 3.9:* By 2030, substantially reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination.<sup>c</sup>**

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<sup>c</sup> *Childhood Lead Poisoning*; World Health Organization, 2010:

<http://www.who.int/ceh/publications/leadguidance.pdf>. "Lead-based paints and pigments are a major source of children's exposure to lead." (page 11) "Lead poisoning is one of the most common and best-recognized childhood diseases of toxic environmental origin." (page 13)

- ***Goal 12.4*** By 2020, achieve the environmentally sound management of chemicals and all wastes throughout their life cycle, in accordance with agreed international frameworks, and significantly reduce their release to air, water and soil in order to minimize their adverse impacts on human health and the environment.<sup>d</sup>
- ***Goal 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.***

11. Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR) recommendations, as appropriate:

**Assessment of national capacity for implementing three chemical conventions in a synergistic way is conducted in Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and some other EECCA countries;**

**Analysis of the legislation on the implementation of chemicals conventions in Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and some other EECCA countries is conducted;**

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<sup>d</sup> Resolutions on lead in paint, adopted by the second and third meetings of the International Conference on Chemicals Management, established an agreed international framework which GAELP helps implement.

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