

## **VI/2. Project proposals under the strategic plan for the implementation of the Basel Convention**

The Conference of the Parties,

Considering the strategic plan for the implementation of the Basel Convention,

Referring to its decision VI/3 adopting the strategic text and the action table constituting the strategic plan,

Emphasizing the need to initiate early implementation of the strategic plan for the period 2003-2004,

1. Requests the secretariat to organize and compile the project proposals submitted by Parties or the Basel Convention Regional Centres for submission to the Open-ended Working Group for consideration;
2. Requests the Open-ended Working Group to consider the proposals submitted and choose those that qualify for funding, in accordance with the criteria set out in the appendix to the present decision.

### **Appendix**

#### **CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BASEL DECLARATION THROUGH THE STRATEGIC PLAN**

1. The following criteria have been established in order to assist in selecting suitable projects to be taken forward to deliver the aims of the Basel Declaration through the strategic plan.
2. The criteria are set out in two groups:

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| <b>Group 1:</b> | <b>Criteria which are relevant for all project proposals.</b>  |
| <b>Group 2:</b> | <b>Those criteria which are intended to assist selection of project proposals of particular priority interest.</b> |

#### **Group 1: Relevant criteria**

##### **Projects must:**

- Be consistent with the vision and aims of the strategic plan.
- Be exemplary or useful for others with similar problems.
- Have clearly defined aims and methods.
- Be likely to succeed.
- Deliver practical and concrete outcomes.
- Deliver either short or long term benefits.
- Have realistic costs and delivery time scale.
- Include provision for supervision, monitoring and reporting.

## **Group 2: Value criteria**

### **Projects should:**

- Have the potential to realize the aims of the Basel Convention and the Basel Convention Regional Centres with clear indicators on the effectiveness of their impacts.
- Have commonality within or between different regions.
- Be innovative.
- Be consistent with regional needs.
- Show benefits to or synergies with the objectives or activities of other multilateral environmental agreements.
- Provide partnership with stakeholders.
- Have demonstrably significant need.
- Implement and adapt existing guidelines as needed.
- Generate self-sustaining outcomes.
- Provide other relevant information.

3. To be acceptable, the projects must meet all the group 1 relevant criteria. For the purposes of prioritization, the projects should meet one or more of the group 2 value criteria.

4. Projects should be distributed equitably according to regional and national diversities and specificities as appropriate.