

RC-9/13: From science to action

The Conference of the Parties,

1. *Takes note* of the road map for further engaging Parties and other stakeholders in informed dialogue for enhanced science-based action in the implementation of the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal, the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade and the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants;¹
2. *Encourages* Parties and others to initiate action that promotes the implementation of the road map;
3. *Requests* the Secretariat, subject to the availability of resources, to undertake capacity-building and training activities to support Parties in taking science-based action in the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions;
4. *Invites* Parties and observers to submit to the Secretariat, by 30 November 2020, information on action being undertaken to promote the implementation of the road map;
5. *Requests* the Secretariat to continue to cooperate and coordinate with the United Nations Environment Programme and, as appropriate, other relevant organizations, scientific bodies and stakeholders with the aim of strengthening the science-policy interface;
6. *Also requests* the Secretariat to cooperate and coordinate, as appropriate, with the United Nations Environment Programme in the preparation of the assessment of options for strengthening the science-policy interface at the international level for the sound management of chemicals and waste, which was requested of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme by the United Nations Environment Assembly in its resolution 4/8, particularly with regard to possible synergies and opportunities between the existing mechanisms under the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions and the science-policy interface for the wider sound management of chemicals and waste;
7. *Further requests* the Secretariat to report to the Conference of the Parties at its next meeting on the implementation of the present decision.

¹ UNEP/CHW.14/INF/40–UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.9/INF/35–UNEP/POPS/COP.9/INF/44.