

7. Request on official contact points and designated national authorities

Mandate: UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.7/21, section IX. C., official communications

Background: Pursuant to article 4 and relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties, parties are required to designate national authorities and official contact points. The request to nominate official contact points and designated national authorities builds on previous decisions by the Conference of the Parties, including decision RC-6/21 which adopted a revised form for notifications of contacts to the Secretariat, including modifications or additions as they occur.

The Secretariat maintains and updates a list of contacts previously notified by parties, which is made available on the Rotterdam Convention website at:

<http://www.pic.int/Countries/CountryContacts/tabid/3282/language/en-US/Default.aspx>

Request:

Request	Respondent(s)	Method of submission	Deadline for submission
Parties are urged to nominate their official contact points and designated national authorities, as well as to provide updated information to the Secretariat when necessary on a timely basis.	Parties	Please use the form, available on the Convention website at: http://www.pic.int/Procedures/OfficialContactPoints/tabid/3285/language/en-US/Default.aspx and http://www.pic.int/Procedures/DesignatedNationalAuthorities/tabid/1366/language/en-US/Default.aspx	No deadline specified in the decision; please submit information as soon as possible to facilitate and expedite transmission of information to, from and between parties as well as other stakeholders.

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