

RC-11/12: From science to action¹

The Conference of the Parties,

Noting the priority areas for action recognized in decision SC-11/16, on effectiveness evaluation, as they relate to strengthening science-policy-industry interactions,²

1. *Takes note* of the information on action to implement the road map³ 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;

2. *Encourages* Parties and others to continue to undertake 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 for the implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions;

4. *Also 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 towards strengthening the science-policy interface, including in the context of the implementation of United Nations Environment Assembly resolution 5/8 on a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution, and to report on the implementation of the present decision to the Conference of the Parties at its next meeting.

¹ The conferences of the Parties to the Basel and Stockholm conventions adopted, respectively, decisions BC-16/25 and SC-11/24 on from science to action, which are substantially identical to the present decision.

² This paragraph is only relevant to the decision adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm Convention.

³ UNEP/CHW.16/INF/44–UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.11/INF/28–UNEP/POPS/COP.11/INF/49.