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Draft Workplan

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The document refers to the draft workplan developed by the Textile Industry Sector Programme (TISP)

Draft Workplan

Textile Industry Sector Programme (TISP)
Under the Global Framework on Chemicals (GFC)

1. Purpose of the Workplan

This workplan sets out the priority actions, milestones, and responsibilities of the Textile Industry Sector Programme (TISP) to support implementation of the Global Framework on Chemicals (GFC), with particular focus on Target D6.

The workplan is intended to:

- Translate GFC targets into practical, implementation-oriented activities for the textile sector.
- Create momentum, visibility, and participation ahead of and beyond the International Conference (IC) 2026.
- Leverage and connect existing initiatives, rather than duplicating them.
- Support measurability and progress tracking toward 2030.

2. Overall Approach

The TISP will adopt a bottom-up, partnership-driven approach, focused on:

- Mapping and showcasing existing textile initiatives, standards, and platforms.
- Encouraging wider uptake of sustainable chemicals and waste management strategies across the textile value chain.
- Contributing to GFC measurability through industry-ready indicators and data sources.
- Identifying clear gaps where collective action adds value.

The Programme will not create new standards unless a clear gap is identified.

3. Priority Workstream (2025-2029)

Workstream 1 – Initial Awareness Raising and Working Group Formation

Objective: Raise awareness of value of action in the textile sector at GFC-OEWG and establish TISP Interim Working Group.

Activity	Output	Timeline	Lead/Support
Convene Textile Industry Sector Session at GFC-OEWG Multi-Stakeholder Day to raise awareness of the existing measures to address the use of chemicals in the textile sector and discuss how to align existing initiatives with the targets of the GFC through an industry engagement Implementation Programme (IP)	Hosted Textile Industry Sector Session at GFC-OEWG on 26 June 2025 in Punta del Este, Uruguay, including breakout discussions on: Transparency, CoCs, and Occupational and Community Health and Safety	Q1-Q2 2025	UNEP, PAN UK, ZDHC, and Ambition Loop
Establish TISP Interim Working Group	Formed Interim Working Group with: Better Cotton Initiative (BCI), Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), Pesticide Action Network UK (PAN UK), UNEP, and ZDHC Foundation (ZDHC)	Q2-Q4 2025	UNEP and PAN UK

Workstream 2 – Terms of Reference (TOR) and Engagement

Objective: Define the objectives and scope of work relevant to achieving GFC Target D6 in the textile sector and of significance to the textile value chain.

Activity	Output	Timeline	Lead/Support
Draft TOR for the TISP for the inception period (2025-2026) and for the time between the international conferences (2027-2029)	Drafted TOR	Q1-Q3 2026	UNEP and PAN UK / Interim Working Group
Engage and consult with key stakeholders in developing the TOR through webinars and invitations to review written materials	Hosted webinar and disseminated TOR to stakeholders for feedback	Q3 2026	UNEP and PAN UK / Interim Working Group
Develop Expression of Interest form and disseminate widely in networks in the textile value chain	Expression of Interest form finalized for IC-1	Q3-Q4 2026	UNEP and PAN UK / Interim Working Group
Finalize TOR	TOR finalized for IC-1	Q3-Q4 2026	UNEP and PAN UK / Interim Working Group

Workstream 3 – IC-1 2026 Preparation & Visibility

Objective: Position the textile sector as an active contributor at IC-1.

Activity	Output	Timeline	Lead/Support
Identify initiatives to showcase at IC-1	Created short list of initiatives	Q3 2026	Interim Working Group members
Contribute to IC sessions, side events, or knowledge products.	IC-facing contributions	Q3-Q4 2026	Interim Working Group members

Workstream 4 – Initiative & Stakeholder Mapping (Baseline)

Objective: Establish a clear baseline of existing textile initiatives relevant to GFC Target D6.

Activity	Output	Timeline	Lead/Support
Map: 1) existing initiatives, tools, standards and programmes addressing chemicals use and chemicals of concern (CoCs) in the textile value chain; 2) indicators already used within the textile industry that align with GFC; and 3) potential value-add areas for GFC. Partner with GEF-8 Integrated Programme on eliminating hazardous chemicals from supply chains to create synergies and avoid duplication.	Develop draft for IC-1	Q3 2026 – Q1 2027	UNEP and Consultant / Interim Working Group Members