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The document refers to the Draft Terms of Reference of the Electronics Industry Sector Programme (EISP) and its Annex: Members of the EISP

Draft Terms of Reference

Electronics Industry Sector Programme (EISP) Under the Global Framework on Chemicals (GFC)

1. Purpose

The Electronics Industry Sector Programme (EISP) provides a structured mechanism to support implementation of the Global Framework on Chemicals (GFC) within the electronics sector, with a primary focus on operationalizing GFC Target D6.

The Programme defines who does what, how, and through which governance arrangements, without pre-judging funding availability or prescribing implementation modalities.

2. Scope and Alignment with GFC Targets

The Programme supports stakeholder-led actions in the electronics value chain that contribute to:

- Target D6: Development and implementation of sustainable chemicals and waste management strategies in the electronics sector by 2030.
- Related targets where relevant, including A3, D4, D7, B1–B7, and E2–E6.

The Programme functions as a coordination and recognition platform, not as an implementing or financing mechanism.

3. Core Functions of the Programme

The EISP will focus on the following functions:

1. Coordination

- Provide a common platform for aligning electronics-sector initiatives with GFC targets.
- Facilitate information exchange among stakeholders.

2. Recognition and Alignment

- Review and formally recognize stakeholder initiatives that support GFC Targets D6 and related objectives.
- Ensure transparency and consistency across sector initiatives.

3. Knowledge Exchange

- Document and share implementation-ready tools, case studies, and

- lessons learned.
- Identify gaps requiring further attention.

4. Reporting and Feedback

- Aggregate sector-level progress and provide inputs to GFC reporting processes.

4. Activities (Initial Phase)

During the initial phase, the Programme will focus on low-cost, coordination-oriented activities, including:

- Mapping existing electronics-sector initiatives relevant to GFC targets.
- Facilitating periodic stakeholder exchanges (virtual or in-person, subject to resources).
- Supporting voluntary development or alignment of sustainable chemicals and waste management strategies.
- Reviewing alignment of industry standards and reporting approaches with GFC Targets D3 and D6.
- Documenting recognized initiatives and gaps.

Activities requiring dedicated financing are not presumed under this ToR.

5. Stakeholder Participation

Participation in the Programme is voluntary and open to:

- Governments and regulatory authorities.
- Electronics manufacturers and suppliers.
- Recyclers and waste management actors.
- Industry associations and multi-stakeholder initiatives.
- Civil society, academia, and development partners.

Stakeholders may participate by:

- Submitting initiatives for recognition.
- Contributing knowledge, tools, or case studies.
- Engaging in thematic discussions or working groups.

6. Governance and Coordination

6.1 Programme Coordination

- The Programme is coordinated by the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC), in collaboration with the GFC Secretariat.
- Coordination focuses on alignment with GFC processes and reporting requirements.

6.2 Multi-Stakeholder Advisory Group (MSAG)

- A Multi-Stakeholder Advisory Group will provide:
 - Strategic guidance.
 - Review of alignment of proposed initiatives.
 - Advice on priorities and coherence with other GFC programmes.

The MSAG does not implement projects or manage funds.

7. Monitoring and Reporting

- Stakeholders are encouraged to report progress on a voluntary basis
- The Programme will compile:
 - Periodic sector summaries.
 - Identified gaps and emerging issues.
- Outputs will feed into GFC reporting and review processes through the GFC Secretariat.

8. Relationship to Other GFC Implementation Programmes

The EISP operates in coordination with other GFC sectoral and cross-cutting programmes, ensuring:

- Policy coherence.
- Avoidance of duplication.
- Opportunities for cross-sector learning.

9. Status of this Document

This ToR represents an initial, operational draft focused on the scope, structure and roles.

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