



Inter-Organization Programme for the
Sound Management of Chemicals

**WORKING TOGETHER TO
END CHEMICAL POLLUTION**

IP2 – Industry engagement and action: early action and stakeholder engagement

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Industry Engagement and Action Along Value Chains

Components of IP-2

GFC Targets

- D 6 - Sustainable Chemicals and Waste Strategies in economic and industry sectors
- Other industry relevant targets and topics

1. Cross-cutting Thematic Topics

- Transparency, traceability, and disclosure along value chains (B1)
- Occupational health and safety (D7)
- Priority chemicals of concern (D6)
- Measuring chemical footprints and impacts (D6)
- Green and sustainable chemistry innovation (D1, D4)
- Reporting standards and frameworks (D3)
- Private sector financing and investment (D3)

2. Development of Industry Sector Programmes (TORs and multi-year Workplans

- Electronics, Health Care, Textiles, and Construction (tbc)

Guiding Principles and Focus of Early Implementation Activities – All IPs

- Systematic knowledge sharing of stakeholder initiatives and good practices
- Promotion of existing resources/ guidance when relevant (e.g., LIRA Guidance)
- New methodologies, resources, or tools must meet stakeholder needs and support stakeholder-driven action and decision-making
- Self-assessment and benchmarking key element for enabling stakeholder action, capacity development, and monitoring progress
- Co-creation of resource documents, methodologies and tools with, and pilot-tested by GFC stakeholders
- Awareness-raising to engage new stakeholders in GFC implementation
- Coherence within and across Implementation Programmes

Support of Target D 6 Implementation

Building blocks and self- assessment questions to support industry strategy development (D6)

Purpose

- Supports industry in assessing level of GFC implementation
- Flexible approach that can accommodate different starting points
- May support identifying priorities for action
- Could support monitoring of Target D 6 Implementation (simple benchmarking)

Support of Target D 6 Implementation

Building blocks and self- assessment questions to support industry strategy development (D6)

Building Blocks

- 1. Identifying hazardous chemicals in supply chains, production, and products**
- 2. Fostering transparency, traceability and disclosure along value chains**
- 3. Occupational safety and health & emergency prevention, preparedness, and response**
- 4. Identifying and assessing priority chemicals of concern**
- 5. Assessing the chemical footprint and impact of priority chemicals along value chains** 6
- 6. Reduction or phase out targets for priority chemicals of concern**
- 7. Implementing sustainable procurement and supply chain management**
- 8. Fostering sustainable business models, product design and sustainable chemistry**
- 9. Advancing the sustainability of production processes**
- 10. Strengthening corporate policies, governance and reporting**

Example of Checklist Questions

▲ 2.3 Occupational safety and health & emergency prevention, preparedness, and response

Checklist questions

- ✓ Are measures and an occupational safety and health management system in place, with measures and requirements for:
 - Providing safety data sheets in accordance with the GHS for all chemicals?
 - Handling, safe storage and transportation of chemicals and waste?
 - Communicating chemical safety information to all workers in a language and format they understand?
 - Applying the hierarchy of controls (elimination, substitution, engineering, administrative, Personal Protective Equipment) to prevent or minimize exposure to chemicals?
 - Monitoring of occupational exposure and health surveillance of workers handling hazardous chemicals?
 - Implementing participatory workplace risk assessments and regular safety inspections?
 - Emergency procedures, preparedness, and responses to incidents and accidents?
- ✓ Are guidelines, best available practices, and standardized tools for assessing chemicals and waste exposure or risks available and applied?
- ✓ Are safety checks implemented on site, including for leaks, releases, waste containment, safety equipment and engineering controls?
- ✓ Are systems in place to record, report, and investigate occupational accidents, near-misses, and work-related diseases linked to chemicals?
- ✓ Are responsibilities to ensure chemical and waste safety assigned? Are managers and workers adequately trained?

Industry Self-Assessment Tool: Next Steps

- Stakeholder comment period (31 Jan 2026)
- Identification of industry stakeholders interested in pilot testing the tool in 2026 (31 Jan 2026)
- Possible electronic version, March 2026
- Revised tool and lessons learned (IC 1, Nov2026)

Early Activities on Thematic Topics

Series of Mapping and Landscape Analyses

Purpose

- Map and share knowledge on GFC stakeholder approaches and practices
- Feature an analysis of commonalities, differences, and possible gaps
- May identify opportunities for further action (e.g alignment, harmonization, or standard development)
- Provide options / guidance for capacity development and decision-making

Early Activities to Advance Industry Sector Implementation Programmes

- Mapping of key initiatives in or related to the industry sectors
- Awareness raising to engage new industry stakeholders
- Testing of tools and methodology for certain aspects of Target D 6 implementation
- Development of TORs and multi-year workplans (for IC 1)

Organizational Considerations: Role of Convenors/Co-Convenors

- Engage with GFC stakeholders and maintain stakeholder list
- Organize virtual meetings
- Ensure that work plan development is consistent with overall IP approach
- Role initially performed by an IOMC Organization

Organizational Considerations

1. **What is a “Stakeholder Implementing Activity”?**
 - Under responsibility and led by a GFC stakeholders
 - Include in mapping and knowledge sharing
 - Example:
 - A programme led by a GFC stakeholder (e.g. RBA)
2. **What is a “Collaborative GFC IP Activity” (small number)**
 - Included in IP workplan
 - Multi-stakeholder activity
 - Led or co-led by one or more GFC stakeholders
 - Examples
 - Industry self-assessment tool
 - Guidance on chemical footprinting

Convenors – IP2

Thematic work	Industry sector programmes
Transparency, traceability, and disclosure along value chains (B1) Convenor: UNITAR (oliver.wootton@unitar.org)	Electronics Convenor: UNEP (minseo.ju@un.org)
Occupational health and safety (D7) Convenor: ILO (graczyk@ilo.org)	Health care Co-convenors: WHO and HCWH (bhatv@who.int ; sqwilburn@gmail.com)
Priority chemicals of concern (D6) Co-convenors: UNEP and BRS (stephanie.laruelle@un.org ; mario.yarto@fao.org)	Textiles Convenor: UNEP (maria.hughes@un.org)
Measuring chemical footprints and impacts (D6) Convenor: UNEP (llorenc.milaicanals@un.org)	Construction (tbc) – UNEP (tapiwa.nxele@un.org)
Green and sustainable chemistry innovation (D1, D4) Convenor: UNEP (mihaela.paun2@un.org)	
Reporting standards and frameworks (D3) Convenor: tbc (UNITAR can be contacted for now) (oliver.wootton@unitar.org)	
Private sector financing and investment (D3) Convenor: UNEP FI (peggy.lefort@un.org)	



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