10th Meeting of the SCP/RAC National Focal Points

Activities of PoW 2014-2015

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MAP PoW 2014-2015

Thematic Pillars

Governance
Integrated Coastal Zone Management
Biodiversity
Pollution prevention and control
Sustainable Consumption and Production
Climate Change
Development of a Mediterranean SCP Action Plan, with a Roadmap addressing Regional priorities (Act. 1.2.8 PoW)

3rd draft of the Action Plan and 1st draft of the Roadmap prepared after consultation process involving the NFP and other SCP stakeholders
Support to CAMP implementation
(Act. 2.1.1 PoW)

CAMP Montenegro

*Feasibility Study: Ecotourism for local development in Boka Kotorska*

Support from SPA/RAC and MedMAPNet project

Study based on a field work including:
- surveys in 3 municipalities around Boka Kotorska
- workshop for entrepreneurs from the ecotourism field

Final conclusions and recommendations from the study presented at the CAMP Montenegro final Conference (December 2014)
Theme IV: Pollution Prevention and Control

Support to **MED POL** activities in the implementation of Regional Plans, pollution management and monitoring

**Facilitate the implementation of Regional Plans (Acts. 4.2.2, 4.2.7 PoW)**

**Regional Plan on Marine Litter:**

- Preparation of a list of priority prevention measures complementing the Regional Plan.
- And associated indicators according to their expected direct impact in the reduction of plastic litter in the short and medium term.

**Regional Plan on Mercury**  
(support in preparation of inventory of Mercury contaminated sites)

- Guidelines on Best Environmental Practices for ESM of Mercury Polluted sites
- To be presented to the MED POL NFP Meeting (June 2015)
Medpartnership Project

Countries: Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Egypt and Turkey

10 awareness and training national and regional workshops on PCBs management.

“PCBs in the Mediterranean” website including awareness and training materials:

PCB management guide, PCB applications compilation, PCB brochures, PCB inventory form, PCB handouts, PCB video, PCB analyzer/screener Manual, guide to identify PCBs (trade names), list PCB sampling lab material and course presentations

Supporting MED POL in developing PCB inventory incl. sampling and analysis in countries (Granted 12 PCB semimobile L2000DX analyzers/screeners)
Preparation of Technical Guidelines on Pollution Prevention and Management (Act. 4.2.5)

- Per request of MED POL, preparation of Technical Guidelines on:
  - the environmentally sound management of lube oils in Mediterranean countries.
  - pollution prevention and control in the tanning industry of the Mediterranean countries
  - per request of MED POL and under the Medpartnership project
  - to be presented at the MED POL Focal Points Meeting, June 2015

- Per request of the Secretariat of the Rotterdam Convention, review of an Interactive Toolkit on ESM of industrial chemicals (under the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions)
  - Addressed to low and medium income countries
  - Technical Meeting (Barcelona, 25-26 Feb 2015): experts from diverse countries (Sri Lanka, Vietnam, Tanzania, Côte D’Ivoire, Moldova, France, Germany and Spain)
Technical assistance to countries in the application of BAT and BEP and alternatives for the prevention and minimization of main pollutants under the LBS protocol (Act. 4.2.6).

Establishment of a Mediterranean Network of experts/Platform of organizations for BAT adaptation to the Mediterranean context (Act. 4.2.8)

Project proposal, *Promotion of safe alternatives to toxic chemical alternatives in the Mediterranean*

- Preparation of Project proposal to SAICM call (Quick Start Programme Trust Funds)
- Extending the SUBSPORT Platform [www.subsport.eu](http://www.subsport.eu), supporting the substitution of hazardous chemicals by safer alternatives.
- Substitution as a core action to reduce the risks hazardous chemicals pose to the environment and public health.
- 9 Mediterranean countries (Algeria, Egypt, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine and Tunisia) supported the proposal by providing endorsement letters.
Theme V: SCP

Support to mainstream SCP in national development planning processes (Act. 5.1.1)

Development of a training and support Programme for Green Entrepreneurs and Civil Society as SCP drivers (Acts. 5.1.2 and 5.1.3)

Development of SCP Pilot Activities addressing national priorities with regional relevance (Act. 4.2.9 and 5.1.4).

Development of a Mediterranean SCP Networking Facility (Act. 5.1.5)
Support to mainstream SCP in national development planning processes (Act. 5.1.1)

SCP Toolkit for Policy Makers:
- Published and printed in English and French.

Training material based on the SCP Toolkit (under development) of the key economic sectors:
- Food and Agriculture
- Consumer goods Manufacturing
- Tourism,
- Housing and Construction.

In collaboration with UNEP/DTIE:
- Presentation of SCP Toolkit, National Roundtable on SCP, Jordan, October 2014.
- National SCP Stakeholder workshop, Palestine, summer 2015.
Development of a training and support **Programme for Green Entrepreneurs and Civil Society** as SCP drivers (Acts. 5.1.2 and 5.1.3)

Past, on-going and next actions following the PoW will be explained tomorrow by Giorgio Mosangini, SCP/RAC Team Leader for GE&CS
Promoting the use of alternatives to hazardous chemicals in new and existing companies, SGP Stockholm Convention (40,000$)

- Training Module on Green Entrepreneurship & Hazardous Chemicals Substitution Process.
  - As complementary training tool to feed the Training Programme on Green Entrepreneurship.
  - It aims to support companies and entrepreneurs in implementing a substitution process of hazardous chemicals, as well as being a resource for other stakeholders such as authorities, environmental and consumer organizations, and scientific institutions.

- Training workshop:
  - "Green Chemistry and Eco-Entrepreneurship", Algeria, 18th-19th November 2014.
  - Aim: supporting Green Entrepreneurs for a Pops Free Mediterranean.
  - International experts presented green alternatives to hazardous chemicals (in particular Persistent Organic Pollutants, POPs) and shared key tools for the creation of a competitive eco-business.
  - 40 participants trained.
The Switchers: Online Platform

Souk el Tayeb in Lebanon

An experimental farmer’s market
We give small-scale farmers market opportunities to add their traditional Lebanese products, their organic products and showcase typical Lebanese cuisine.

Creating small-scale farmers market opportunities

Innovation solutions in the management waste

We cultivate biodynamic products

Nylon 6 fibres from 100% recycled material

Handmade fashion designs from recycled material

A unique ecotourism experience

The story of Souk el Tayeb

Founded in 2014 by Yossi Neumann, creating Lebanon's first farmers’ market, as a non-profit social venture, where farmers would pass a participation fee. Funding organisational expenses, therefore, is sourced through several for-profit extensions, but keeping to cost-equivalent pricing for market opportunities to small-scale farmers and organic products. Traders from the commercial sector fund Souk el Tayeb's operational expenses and activities. Souk el Tayeb salaries of staff members are fully paid by traders. Clients are mostly urban and middle-class citizens with a high environmental awareness.
Launched the 1st Award on Eco-design addressing Mediterranean countries:

- In collaboration with the Catalan Waste Agency.
- The Mediterranean Category of the Catalunya Award on Eco-design.
- 45 applications.
- From: Croatia 3, Egypt 1, Spain 9, France 6, Greece 1, Israel 6, Italy 12, Lebanon 2, Morocco 1, Tunisia 3 and Turkey 1.
Development of a Mediterranean SCP Networking Facility (Act. 5.1.5)

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Development of a Mediterranean SCP Networking Facility

Green Impact Investing Network (€300k extra funding from SwitchMed)

**Business Case Building**
- Collection of evidence
- Background Brief
- Slides Pack for Missions

**Seminars with International Investment Networks**
- Mail campaign
- Telecalls
- Missions in Europe
- SWOT for the European market
- SwitchMed Connect session on A2F

**Seminars with National Financial Sector**
- Tunisia & Morocco (2015)
- Lebanon & Egypt (2016)
- SWOTs for national markets
- SwitchMed Connect & national synergy workshops

**Innovative Financial Instruments**
- Business report: Actions for the development of innovative financial instruments for Green Young Entrepreneurship in the Mediterranean

**GIIN Med**
SCP Capacity Building activities (regional, sub-regional, national and study visits). Acts. 4.2.10 and 5.1.6 PoW

- In the Framework of the EC funded H2020 Initiative, Sub-component Capacity Building activities:
  - 3 National trainings:
    - **Tunisia** (12th-13th February 2014), on Industrial Management and Environmental Governance. About 50 professionals from industries, civil society and local and national authorities attended.
    - **Palestine** (10th-11th March 2014), on Sustainable Stone and Marble Industry. Around 40 representatives of Ministries, NGO’s, Businesses and Research Centres attended.
    - **Algeria** (6th-7th May 2014) with MIO-ESCDE, on Eco-Innovation, Industrial Ecology and Clean Production. About 35 delegates from public administration, private businesses and civil society attended.
  - 2 Sub-regional trainings:
    - **Jordan** (24th-26th February 2014), on Sustainable Olive Oil. Around 50 representatives of Ministries, NGO’s, Producers and Research Centres, from Jordan, Palestine and Israel.
    - **Lebanon** (26th-27th May 2014), on Sustainable Industrial Areas. About 25 participants from Lebanon, Jordan, Palestine and Egypt.
Thank you
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