Global Framework on Chemicals For a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste



Subject: Input of the Global Framework on Chemicals - For a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste to the thematic review of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) in 2024

1 March 2024

Your Excellency,

I would like to thank you for your letter of 31 October 2023 inviting the Global Framework on Chemicals – For a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste to provide an input to the thematic review of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) in 2024.

The International Conference on Chemicals Management at its fifth session (ICCM5) held in Bonn, Germany, from 25 to 29 September 2023, adopted new Global Framework on Chemicals – For a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste. The Framework is a successor to the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management.

The Framework provides a vision for a planet free of harm from chemicals and waste, for a safe, healthy and sustainable future — where industry and private sectors are strategic actors to foster innovation, move towards sustainable business models and drive change. It is backed up by a High-Level Bonn Declaration for a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste that provides the political drive for its fast implementation and reminds stakeholders commitment to actively promote and support transitions to circular economies.

The High-level Political Forum is considered a central United Nations platform for the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the global level and I truly believe that the ICCM outcomes have a potential to contribute to its work.

I would like to inform you that the inputs from the Global Framework on Chemicals – For a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste to the thematic review of HLPF in 2024 have been submitted as requested in your letter of 31 October 2023.

I also would like to bring your attention to the fact that all outcomes of the ICCM5, in particular the texts of the Bonn Declaration for a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste and the Global Framework on Chemicals – For a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste are available on the website of the Framework: www.chemicalsframework.org.

I thank you for your attention and look forward to our continued collaboration in fostering a global commitment for a planet free of harm from chemicals and waste in a broader sustainable development context.

Yours sincerely,

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