(7) Request for information on technical assistance

Decision: SC-6/15: Technical assistance

Background:

At its sixth meeting, the Conference of the Parties adopted decision SC-6/15 on technical assistance for the implementation of the Stockholm Convention in which it invited parties and others to provide information and experiences to the Secretariat on needs and availability of technical assistance and technology transfer and the barriers as well as obstacles in that regard.

Requests:

- Developing-country parties and parties with economies in transition are invited to continue to provide information to the Secretariat on their needs in terms of technical assistance and technology transfer and the barriers and obstacles in that regard; (request a)
- Developed-country parties and others with the capacity to do so are invited to continue to provide information to the Secretariat on the technical assistance and technologies that they have available to be transferred to developing-country parties and parties with economies in transition; (request b)
- Parties and relevant international and non-governmental organizations, including regional centres, are encouraged to provide information to the Secretariat on their experiences in implementing the guidance on technical assistance and transfer of sound technologies set out in the annex to decision SC-1/15. (request c)

Respondents:

- Parties;
- International and non-governmental organizations;
- Regional centres;
- Others.

Method of submission:

- For requests a and b: online questionnaires will be made available on the Stockholm Convention website to enable responses to these requests;
- For request c: all submissions are to be made to the Secretariat via the contact point provided below.

Deadlines for submissions:

- For requests a and b: please submit information by **31 May 2014** in order for it to be included in the report to be prepared by the Secretariat on this issue for the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
- For request c: 31 May 2014.

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