UNITAR/IFCS SURVEY ON
NATIONAL CHEMICALS MANAGEMENT PROFILES

Country:

Person completing the questionnaire:

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Please return this questionnaire to UNITAR by 30 April 1998
including two (2) copies each of the available National Profiles - mini or comprehensive

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FOR EACH QUESTION, PLEASE CHECK ONE OR MORE BOXES AS APPLICABLE OR CLEARLY TYPE/PRINT THE RESPONSE IN THE SPACE PROVIDED.

1. Has your country embarked on the preparation of a National Chemicals Management Profile?

1.1 A Mini-Profile¹?

Yes *(please provide further information under 2)*
No

If no, please specify the reason:

- Lack of resources
- Not considered useful/no interest
- Don’t know what a National Profile is
- Other *(please specify):*

1.2 A comprehensive National Profile²?

Yes *(please provide further information under 3)*
No

If no, please specify the reason:

- Lack of resources
- Not considered useful/no interest
- Don’t know what a National Profile is
- Other *(please specify):*

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¹ A Mini-Profile is a document of about 15-20 pages which mainly summarizes the legal and administrative elements of a country's chemicals management scheme.

² A comprehensive National Profile is a thorough national assessment of a country's national chemicals management infrastructure prepared through a process involving all concerned parties and following, as appropriate, the UNITAR/IOMC National Profile guidance document.
2. Information Related to a Mini-Profile

2.1 Has a first version of the Mini-Profile been completed?

Yes, __________________ (month/year)

What language(s) is the Mini-Profile available in?
_____________________________________________

Is a summary available in English? ________________

No, a first version of the mini-profile is expected to be completed by
______________ (month/year)

2.2 Which agency or ministry held primary responsibility for its preparation?

Ministry: ..............................................................................................................
Department: ......................................................................................................
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3. Information Related to a Comprehensive National Profile

3.1 Has a first version of a comprehensive National Profile been completed?

Yes, __________________ (month/year)

What language(s) is the National Profile available in?
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Is an executive summary available in English? ...........................................

No, a first version of the comprehensive National Profile is expected to
be completed by ________________ (month/year)
3.2 Which agency or ministry held primary responsibility for co-ordinating its preparation?

Ministry: .......................................................................................................................
Department: ..............................................................................................................
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3.3 Which ministries and organizations have participated in the National Profile preparation process?

Ministries and/or governmental agencies

- environment
- health
- labour
- agriculture
- transport
- economic
development/industry
finance/customs
foreign affairs

other (please specify):

Non-governmental organizations

- labour organizations
- industry organizations
- public interest groups
- research institutes
universities

other (please specify):

3.4 Did your country receive any external support for the preparation of a comprehensive National Profile?

- through the UNITAR/IOMC National Profile Support Programme
- through ____________________________ (please specify)
- no, the preparation was covered entirely by national resources
3.5 Use of the UNITAR/IOMC Guidance Document
In preparing the National Profile, the UNITAR/IOMC guidance document was

very useful  useful  not useful

Specific Comments:

The UNITAR/IOMC Guidance Document has been translated into

(please indicate the language(s), as appropriate).

3.6 Availability and Dissemination of the National Profile
The National Profile (Please check all the appropriate responses)

is presently for internal purposes only and should not be disseminated
to external parties.

The National Profile may be made available to

IOMC Participating Organizations (UNEP, FAO, ILO, WHO, UNIDO,
UNITAR and OECD)
bi-lateral or multi-lateral donors
all interested parties (industry, public interest groups, etc.)

Our country would be interested to explore the possibility of placing the
National Profile on the Internet

yes   no   maybe

Our country would be interested in obtaining/getting access to National
Profiles of other countries.

yes   no
3.7 Contribution of the National Profile to National Chemicals Management

The National Profile (*check all that apply*)

- is mainly used as an information document
- has assisted in defining priorities for national chemicals management capacity building activities (if yes, please specify under 3.8)
- has contributed to strengthening inter-ministerial co-operation
- has contributed to strengthening a dialogue with non-governmental organizations
- has become an integral component of a national dialogue on strengthening capacities for the sound management of chemicals
- has not provided any useful functions

Other comments:

3.8 Priorities/Key Issues for National Capacity Building Identified through the National Profile

The following topics/issues have been identified in the National Profile document as priorities for national chemicals management capacity building activities (*please indicate five topics; be as specific as possible*):

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.
3.9  **Endorsement of the National Profile**

Has the National Profile been officially endorsed by a multi-stakeholder committee as a national reference document?

Yes (*Please specify*)

No

Not to date, but it is planned to obtain endorsement (*Please specify*)

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4.  **Follow-up to the National Profile**

4.1  **Our country has organized a National Priority Setting Workshop following the completion of the National Profile to identify opportunities for follow-up action**

- yes, on _________________________ (*date*)
  - a national workshop is currently being planned
  - no, a national workshop is not planned

Comments:

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4.2  **Priorities Established by the National Priority Setting Workshop**

The National Priority Setting Workshop has established the following priorities for national chemicals management issues:

- same as the priorities identified through the National Profile (see 3.8)
- different priorities (*please specify)*:
4.3 Our country has initiated a formal national programme/national action programme on the sound management of chemicals building upon the National Profile process

yes
no

If yes, please indicate the task forces which have been established in the context of the programme

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

If no, please specify the reason

Lack of resources
Not considered useful/no interest
Other (please specify):

5. Additional Comments/Information

Please provide any additional comments or information that you think would be beneficial concerning the development of a National Profile. If more space is needed, attach additional page(s).