

Workshop on Case Studies in the Sound Management of Chemicals

Case Examples:

➤ The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative for the Integration of Sound Management of Chemicals into Development Planning Processes: Maximizing Return on Investment

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The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative

- The international mandate:
 - **SAICM recognized mainstreaming SMC as a priority** to support sustainable development in DCs and CEiTs

- 1 General objective:
 - Help countries **secure support for the development of national capacities for SMC** from multilateral and bilateral donors

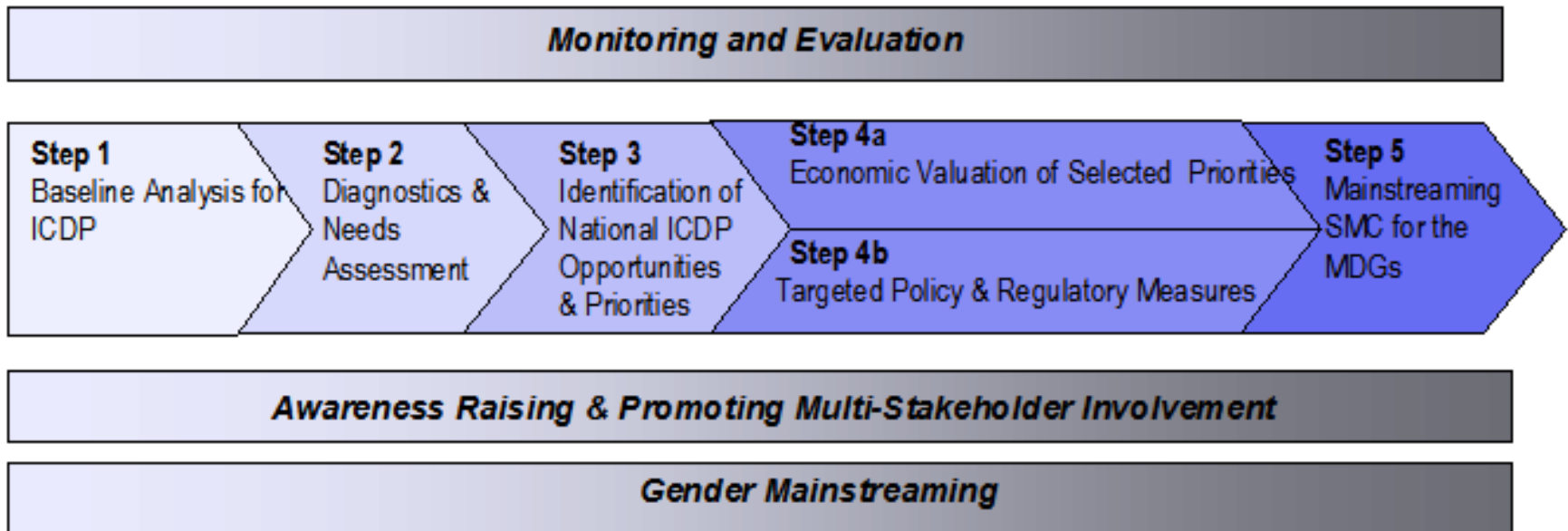
The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: The Approach

➤ 3 specific objectives:

- **Identify specific areas** of chemicals management with likely environmental, health and economic benefits, and **put in place a plan** to address identified national priorities
- **Assess the adequacy of national development strategies** in terms of protecting the environment and human health, and **determine to what extent identified national priorities could be integrated** into national development planning
- **Improve the integration of chemicals management priorities** into national discussions, development processes, policies and plans

The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: The Approach (Cont'd)

- 5 steps of the UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative methodology:



The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: The Approach (Cont'd)

- Partnership Initiative launched in Uganda and Zambia in November 2007, Macedonia in March 2008 and in Cambodia in June 2008
 - funding: SAICM QSP Trust Fund, Swedish Government
- the process will be initiated in additional six countries
 - Ecuador, Belize, Honduras, Liberia, Mauritania and Belarus
- 4 “Regional Workshops on Facilitating Understanding Between Officials Responsible for Development Planning and Officials Responsible for Chemicals Management”
 - Funding: Government of Norway

The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: What has been achieved?

The “*Uganda/UNDP/UNEP Initiative for the implementation of SAICM*”

- Inception Workshop 7-8 November 2007, Kampala
- Mrs. Jessica Eriyo, Ugandan Minister of State for Environment, officially launched the project
- 76 representatives from Ministries (Health, Environment, Planning and Finance), industry associations, non-governmental organisations, universities and chemicals-related institutions

The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: What has been achieved? (Cont'd)

The “*Uganda/UNDP/UNEP Initiative for the implementation of SAICM*”

- Uganda’s Poverty Eradication Action Plan (PEAP) expiring in 2008
- Revision includes a sector paper on Environment, Natural Resource and Climate Change
- Opportunity to mainstream known national chemicals management priorities

The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: What has been achieved? (Cont'd)

The *“Uganda/UNDP/UNEP Initiative for the implementation of SAICM”*

- Phase 1, two parallel processes:
 - “Fast-track”
 - “Normal-speed”

- Phase 2 :
 - CBA of legislative and institutional infrastructures restructuring

The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: What has been achieved? (Cont'd)

The *“UNDP-UNEP Case Study in Partnership with Zambia: Mainstreaming Sound Management of Chemicals Issues into MDG based National Development Planning”*

- Inception Workshop 14-15 November 2007, Lusaka
- Honourable Michael L. Kaingu, Zambian Minister of Tourism, Environment and Natural Resources, officially launched the project
- 20 government ministries and agencies, private sector, academic and NGOs representatives
- Active involvement and commitment of the Ministry of Finance and National Planning

The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: What has been achieved? (Cont'd)

The *“UNDP-UNEP Case Study in Partnership with Zambia: Mainstreaming Sound Management of Chemicals Issues into MDG based National Development Planning”*

- The Zambian Fifth National Development Plan undergoing a mid-term review
- Sector teams established to contribute to the national chemicals management situation report, completed at the end of 2008
- The core analytical group:
 - identified national priorities
 - presented them to the Interagency Coordinating Mechanism for the national development plan
- Priorities approved in December 2008

The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: What has been achieved? (Cont'd)

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- Additional meetings held with the Ministry of Finance and National Planning to secure their “buy-in”
- An economic cost-benefit analysis started in the first quarter of 2009:
 - Study the social and financial costs of relevant interventions in the Kafue River basin
- With support from Norway training of a junior environmental economist:
 - To further enhance Zambia’s capacity in environmental economics
 - Now works with the senior economist, as part of the core analytical group

The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: Lessons learned and recommendations

- To have an impact in the outcome of the development planning process in practice, there is a need:
 - For the environment and health sectors to improve their **economic analysis of the negative impacts** of poor practices **and of benefits of SMC**.
 - To develop **improved assessments and tools** to quantify health and environment impacts
 - For assessment processes to **include monetary valuations** of various health and environment benefits

- **Inter-sectoral dialogue can also improve understanding** among various actors of the importance of the sound management of chemicals in attaining development goals

The UNDP-UNEP Partnership Initiative: Lessons learned and recommendations

- To influence decisions, there is a need:
 - For officials from environment and health ministries to **understand the planning process and language** of development planners and finance ministries
 - To increase the capacity of staff in planning
 - To increase their understanding of the links between SMC and development goals
 - To provide economic analysis to support their proposals
- Intergovernmental organizations assist through the development of guidance tools
- Networking and exchange of information on mainstreaming of sound management of chemicals between different countries can also help environment and health officials learn from each other

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Thank you for your attention!