



STRATEGIC APPROACH TO INTERNATIONAL CHEMICALS MANAGEMENT



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SAICM is a policy framework promoting chemical safety around the world...

- Multi-sectoral and multistakeholder
- Coordinates, convenes & catalyzes action
- Voluntary, complements existing efforts
- Builds capacity at country and regional level
- Addresses emerging issues
- Governed by the International Conference on Chemicals Management, guided by a Bureau

Overall Objective: *Protect human health & the environment from harmful effects of chemicals across their lifecycle by 2020*

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QSP PROJECTS BY REGION

184 Projects in 108 Countries

Central & Eastern Europe

US \$4.5 million

10
countries

Asia-Pacific

\$9.3 million

30
countries

28
countries

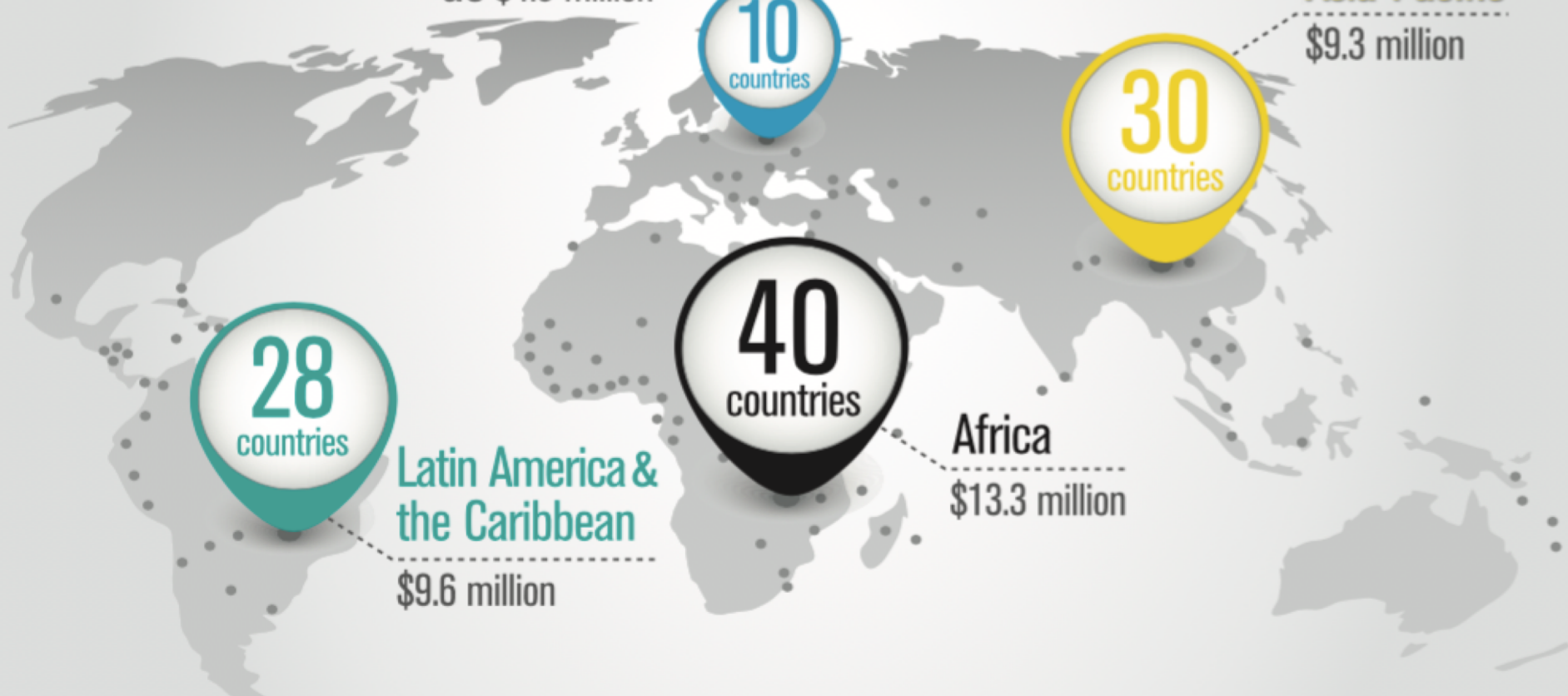
Latin America &
the Caribbean

\$9.6 million

40
countries

Africa

\$13.3 million





SAICM target embedded in target 12.4 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development





SAICM Emerging Policy Issues



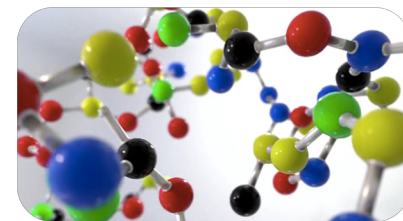
Lead in Paint



Chemicals in
Products



Endocrine- disrupting
chemicals



Nanotechnology



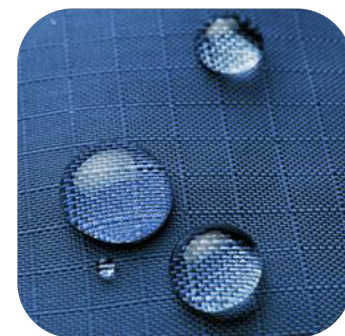
Highly hazardous
pesticides



Hazardous
electronics



Pharmaceutical
pollutants



Perfluorinated
chemicals



ICCM4 Resolution IV/4 (2015): SAICM and the sound management of chemicals & waste beyond 2020

- Noted the value of a voluntary, multi-sectoral & multi-stakeholder approach to mobilize all actors
- Recognized the need to start considering arrangements for the period beyond 2020
- Work is to be informed by the SDGs and resolution 1/5 of UNEA
- Initiated an **intersessional process**:
 - Between ICCM4 (2015) and ICCM5 (in 2020)
 - Mandated to prepare recommendations regarding SAICM and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020
 - Open to all stakeholders
 - Process is co-chaired by Brazil and Canada.



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SAICM OEWG3 – 2-4 April 2019 / a key milestone

- SAICM Open-ended Working Group (OEWG3) to take place 2-4 April 2019, Montevideo
- Key discussion point: Setting the scene for SAICM and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020.
- Global Chemicals Outlook II and an Independent Evaluation of SAICM will be available.
- Encourage Information Papers from organizations and agencies. Request for submissions by 31 January 2019.
- Opportunities for technical briefings and side events to inform delegates.
- High Ambition Alliance launched for Chemical and Waste (Sweden and Uruguay)



Some key objectives stakeholders will be considering beyond 2020:

- i. Minimize or prevent harm from chemicals throughout their lifecycle and waste.
- ii. Generate knowledge, data, information and awareness and have it available and accessible to all to enable informed decisions.
- iii. Issues of global concern are identified, prioritized and addressed.
- iv. Maximize benefits and prevent risks through innovative solutions and forward-thinking.
- v. Importance of sound management of chemicals and waste to achieve sustainable development is recognized by all, actions are accelerated and partnerships established.



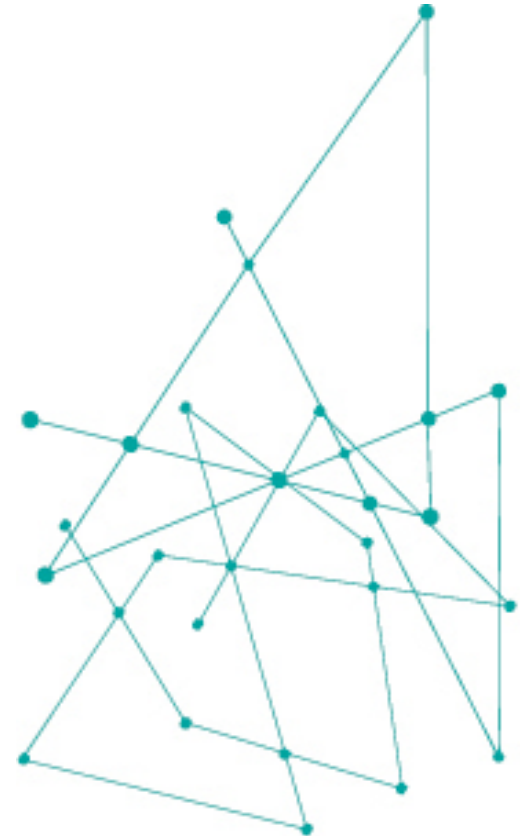
For more information:

**Information document is
available to the meeting**

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Thank you!