

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Berlin Forum on Chemicals and Sustainability** **– Just Transition Towards a Pollution-free Planet** **4-5 September 2023**

### **Agenda Overview as of 5 September 2023**

The event will consist of two half-day segments, featuring High-Level Multi-Stakeholder Dialogues among Ministers, heads of IGOs, private sector CEOs, and directors of civil society organisations as well as leading academics from relevant sectors such as environment, health, labour, agriculture, industry etc. The two half-day segments will consist of an opening session with high-level statements and a keynote presentation, four thematic sessions (60 minutes each), as well as a closing session with keynotes and reflections. The sessions will include keynote presentations, panel discussions, statements, discussions with the audience and closing reflections.

### **Day 1 – 4 September 2023**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda item</b>
1 p.m. – 1.03 p.m.	<b>Welcome</b> Moderator <b>Rolph Payet</b> , Executive Secretary of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions Secretariat, and co-moderator <b>Minu Hemmati</b>
1.04 p.m. - 1.10 p.m.	<b>Welcome and opening</b> <b>Steffi Lemke</b> , Federal Ministry for the Environment, Germany
1.10 p.m. - 1.30 p.m.	<b>High-level Statements</b> <b>Mark Brown</b> , Prime Minister, Cook Islands <b>Virginijus Sinkevičius</b> , EU Commissioner for Environment, Oceans and Fisheries <b>Svenja Schulze</b> , Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany
1.30 p.m. - 1.35 p.m.	<b>Introductory remarks by moderators</b>
1.35 p.m. - 1.45 p.m.	<b>Keynote presentation: Economic Impact of Unsustainable Chemicals Management and Possible Solutions</b> <b>Richard Damania</b> , Chief Economist of the Sustainable Development Practice Group, The World Bank
1.45 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	<b>High-level Dialogue on Food Security</b> This session investigates how different government agencies, farmers, and other stakeholders involved in the production, processing, trading, and recycling of agricultural commodities and food can become equipped with the necessary skills to ensure both food security and

	<p>human and soil health. Additionally, we will cover what a future SAICM framework should encompass for a well-rounded approach to agricultural productivity, environmental protection, and social development in both rural and urban areas.</p> <p><u>Keynote by</u> <b>Martin Frick</b>, Director of Berlin Global Office, World Food Programme</p> <p><u>Statements by:</u></p> <p><b>Haoliang Xu</b>, Associate Administrator, UNDP</p> <p><b>Chikelu Mba</b>, Deputy Director of Plant Production and Protection Division, FAO</p> <p><b>Tadesse Amera Sahilu</b>, Co-Chair International Pollutants Elimination Network (IPEN)</p> <p><b>Arturo Gavilán García</b>, General Director of Integral Management of Hazardous Materials and Activities, SEMARNAT Mexico</p> <p><b>Gerardo Amarilla</b>, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Environment, Uruguay</p> <p><b>Anke Kwast</b>, Vice President for Climate Neutral Roadmap &amp; Business Support at Yara International ASA</p> <p><b>Ophelia Nick</b>, State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Germany</p> <p><u>Interactive element</u> - questions to the audience</p> <p><u>Panel discussion</u> with <b>Marcos A. Orellana</b>, UN Special Rapporteur on Toxics and Human Rights; <b>Daniel May</b>, Deputy Programme Manager, Initiative for Sustainable Agricultural Supply Chains / GIZ; <b>Emily Rees</b>, President &amp; CEO, CropLife International</p>
<p>2.45 p.m. - 2.55 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Break</b></p>
<p>2.55 p.m. - 3.55 p.m.</p>	<p><b>High-level Dialogue on Human Health and the Environment</b></p> <p>This session is designed to identify how existing activities, mechanisms and institutions in the health sector can be best used and strengthened to support contributions to the chemicals and waste agenda with a view to ensuring a healthy environment for all. We will be looking at ways in which the health sector can contribute to reducing death or illness from hazardous materials, air pollution, water pollution, and soil contamination. Additionally, this session will outline what attributes a successful SAICM framework should have to support all health sector stakeholders in their work for just transition as well as highlight the necessary conditions, including resource requirements, to effectively mitigate the health risks posed by hazardous chemicals.</p> <p><u>Keynote by</u> <b>Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus</b>, Director-General, and <b>Maria Neira</b>, Director, Environment, Health and Climate Change Department, World Health Organisation</p> <p><u>Statements by:</u></p> <p><b>Catherine Russell</b>, Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund</p>

	<p><b>Shri Bhupender Yadav</b>, Minister of Labour and Employment, Environment, Forest and Climate Change, India</p> <p><b>Huang Runqiu</b>, Minister of Ecology and Environment, People’s Republic of China</p> <p><b>Melis Turgunbaev</b>, Minister of Natural Resources, Ecology and Technical Supervision of the Kyrgyz Republic</p> <p><b>Zakia Khattabi</b>, Minister of Climate, the Environment, Sustainable Development and Green Deal, Belgium</p> <p><b>Richard Fuller</b>, President Pure Earth</p> <p><b>Monika Stankiewicz</b>, Executive Secretary of the Minamata Convention</p> <p><b>Agnieszka Dudra</b>, President of the Bureau for Chemical Substances, Poland</p> <p><b>Hemantha Withanage</b>, Chair of Friends of the Earth International</p> <p><b>Greg Carreau</b>, Director General of the Safe Environments Directorate, Health Canada</p> <p><b>Hannah-Andrea Rother</b>, Professor and Head of Environmental Health Division, University of Cape Town</p> <p><b>Jo Tyndall</b>, Director of Environment Directorate at the OECD</p> <p><u>Interactive element</u> - questions to the audience</p> <p><u>Panel discussion</u> with <b>Sherika Whitelocke-Ballingsingh</b>, informal women &amp; gender group at SAICM and co-facilitator, the Women's Major Group at UNEP; <b>David Boyd</b>, UN Special Rapporteur on Environment and Human Rights, <b>Felix Wertli</b>, Swiss Ambassador for the Environment, Head of the International Affairs Division at the Swiss Federal Office for the Environment</p> <p><u>Closing reflections</u> by <b>Karl Lauterbach</b>, Federal Minister of Health, Germany</p>
3.55 p.m. - 4 p.m.	<b>End of day 1</b>

## Day 2 – 5 September 2023

Time	Agenda item
1 p.m. - 1.05 p.m.	<b>Welcome and opening by moderator</b>
1.05 p.m. - 2.05 p.m.	<p><b>High-level Dialogue on Labour and Occupational Health</b></p> <p>In this session, we look at how to strengthen the role of occupational health and safety and decent work in all sectors using chemicals. We will explore how education, social innovation, protective systems, due diligence approaches and extended producer responsibility (EPR) mechanisms can be utilised. Furthermore, we will examine how trade can help foster a circular economy by supporting sustainable products and safer practices in chemicals and waste management and a shift</p>

	<p>towards a circular economy. Additionally, we will be looking at how a future SAICM framework can promote cooperation between various entities involved to maximise results and support, in particular, labour sector stakeholders in achieving a rapid and just transition.</p> <p><u>Keynote by</u> <b>Gilbert F. Hougbo</b>, Director-General of the International Labour Organisation (ILO)</p> <p><u>Interactive element</u> - questions to the audience</p> <p><u>Panel discussion with</u> <b>Aik Hoe Lim</b>, Director of the Trade and Environment Division, World Trade Organisation; <b>Danielle Morley</b>, CEO of Bonsucro;</p> <p><u>Statements by:</u></p> <p><b>Josefa Sacko</b>, Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy, and Sustainable Environment, African Union Commission</p> <p><b>Moez Doraid</b>, Deputy Executive Director for UN Coordination, Partnerships, Resources and Sustainability, a.i., UN Women</p> <p><b>Alexander Bercht</b>, Head of Politics and Society division at IGBCE (trade union), Germany</p> <p><b>Eelco van der Enden</b>, CEO of the Global Reporting Initiative</p> <p><b>John Thompson</b>, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environment, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, United States of America</p> <p><u>Closing reflections</u> by <b>Lilian Tschan</b>, State Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Germany</p>
<p>2.05 p.m. - 2.15 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Break</b></p>
<p>2.15 p.m. - 3.15 p.m.</p>	<p><b>High-level Dialogue on Innovation for Just Transition</b></p> <p>This session will explore how innovative solutions in chemical-intense sectors can help the global economy transition to an environmentally-friendly, climate-neutral and nature-positive model. We'll look at what incentives and which partnerships need to be put in place to make this happen and how these changes can cultivate circularity and resource efficiency as well as produce a safe and fair outcome for those affected. This session also examines how investors and other actors can be used to promote sustainable products, circularity and the sound management of chemicals and waste. We'll conclude with a discussion on what a future SAICM framework would have to entail to become a relevant instrument for the private sector.</p> <p><u>Panel discussion</u> with <b>Smail Alhilali</b>, UNIDO; <b>Shannon Lisa</b>, Chemicals and Waste Youth Platform; <b>Javier García Martínez</b>, President of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry</p> <p><u>Statements by:</u></p> <p><b>Albina Ruiz</b>, Minister of Environment, Peru</p> <p><b>Ève Bazaiba Masudi</b>, Minister of the Environment and Sustainable Development, Democratic Republic of the Congo</p>

	<p><b>Kaja Sukova</b>, Minister of Environment and Physical Planning, Republic of North Macedonia</p> <p><b>Rebecca Pow</b>, Minister for Environmental Quality and Resilience, UK</p> <p><b>Rosa Vivien Ratnawati</b>, Director-General of Solid Waste, Hazardous Waste, and Hazardous Substances Management at the Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Republic of Indonesia</p> <p><b>André Weidenhaupt</b>, Director General at the Ministry of Environment, Climate and Sustainable development of Luxembourg.</p> <p><b>Joel Tickner</b>, founder and Executive Director of Change Chemistry</p> <p><b>Martin Kayser</b>, Senior Vice President Corporate Projects, BASF / Global Battery Alliance</p> <p><b>Klaus Kümmerer</b>, Director ISC3 Research and Education Hub, Leuphana University of Lüneburg, Germany</p> <p><b>Anne-Sofie Bäcker</b>, Executive Director Chemsec</p> <p><b>Sara Brosche</b>, Science Advisor, International Pollutants Elimination Network (IPEN)</p> <p><b>Nikhil Seth</b>, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Director, UNITAR</p> <p><u>Interactive element</u> - questions to the audience</p> <p><u>Closing reflections</u> on the future framework instrument:</p> <p><b>Sheila Aggarwal-Khan</b>, Director of the Industry and Economy Division, UNEP</p>
3.15 p.m. - 3.20 p.m.	<p><b>End of day 2</b></p> <p><b>Anita Breyer</b>, President of ICCM5</p>
3.20 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.	<p><b>Keynote address</b></p> <p><b>Elizabeth Mrema</b>, Deputy Executive Director of the UN Environment Programme (UNEP)</p>
3.30 p.m. - 3.35 p.m.	<p><b>Closing reflections</b> by host</p> <p><b>Christiane Rohleder</b>, State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Germany</p>