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Note by the Secretariat

1. The Secretariat is pleased to present the draft framework of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paint (Annex I), which describes organizational and management arrangements for the Global Alliance, as well as guidelines governing its operation. This document includes a description of the organizational structure of the Global Alliance, the grouping of activities into five focal areas of work, and the process through which interested parties can become official contributors to the Global Alliance. It also describes the roles and responsibilities of the Global Alliance contributors, lead sponsors, Advisory Group, co-chair and the Secretariat.
2. The current meeting of the Global Alliance provides an opportunity to the participants to be informed about the draft Global Alliance framework and seek clarification from the Secretariat on any aspects thereof.
3. Models of existing and successful partnerships such as the Partnership on Clean Fuels and Vehicles (<http://www.unep.org/pcf/v/>) and the Global Mercury Partnership (http://www.chem.unep.ch/MERCURY/partnerships/new_partnership.htm) have been used to develop this framework for the Global Alliance.
4. Annex 3 of the draft framework includes a work plan template providing guidance to the Global Alliance focal area contributors. Meeting participants are encouraged to further develop focal area work plans by taking into consideration such template (further agenda Item 6 of the provisional agenda*)
5. This draft framework for the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints has been developed by the Secretariat. This draft document is subject to finalization including legal clearance and publication board approval from UNEP and WHO.

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ANNEX I



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FRAMEWORK

GLOBAL ALLIANCE TO ELIMINATE LEAD IN PAINTS

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PREAMBLE

In 2002, the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD) committed to take actions to protect human health from exposure to lead. Paragraph 57 of the Plan of Implementation of the WSSD states:

“Phase out lead in lead-based paints and in other sources of human exposure, work to prevent, in particular, children's exposure to lead and strengthen monitoring and surveillance efforts and the treatment of lead poisoning.”¹

The International Conference on Chemicals Management at its second session (ICCM-2², Geneva, 11-15 May 2009) endorsed (SAICM/ICCM.2/15 Resolution II/4B) the establishment of a global partnership to promote the phase-out of the use of lead in paint as an important contribution to the implementation of paragraph 57 of the Plan of Implementation of the WSSD and to the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management³.

ICCM-2 invited all interested stakeholders to become members of the global partnership and, where appropriate, to commit themselves to contributing financial or in-kind resources or expertise towards the development and implementation of partnership activities.

ICCM-2 requested the global partnership to adopt terms of reference using the draft terms of reference presented to ICCM-2⁴ as their basis and to develop a business plan articulating clear milestones for progress in achieving a global phase-out of lead in paint in the following areas:

- (a) Raising awareness of toxicity to human health and the environment and alternatives;
- (b) Guidance and assistance to identify potential lead exposure;
- (c) Assistance to industry (manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers);
- (d) Prevention programmes to reduce exposure;
- (e) Promotion of national regulatory frameworks;

ICCM-2 requested the United Nations Environment Programme and the World Health Organization within their respective mandates and available resources to serve as the secretariat of the global partnership.

ICCM-2 invited the global partnership to report on progress to the Open-ended Working Group at its first meeting and to the International Conference on Chemicals Management at its third session.

The global partnership endorsed by ICCM-2 is now called the "Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints".

¹ See: WSSD POI at: http://www.un.org/esa/sustdev/documents/WSSD_POI_PD/English/POIChapter6.htm

² <http://www.saicm.org/index.php?content=meeting&mid=42&def=1&menuid=9>

³ <http://www.saicm.org/index.php?ql=h&content=home>

⁴ SAICM/ICCM.2/10/Add.1.

1. OVERALL GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

The overall goal of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints (the Global Alliance) is to prevent children's exposure to lead via paints containing lead and to minimize occupational exposures to lead in paint. The broad objective is to phase out the manufacture and sale of paints containing lead and eventually to eliminate the risks from such paint.

Specific objectives of the Global Alliance are:

- (a) To raise the awareness of government authorities and regulators, private industry, manufacturers, consumers, workers, trade unions and health-care providers about the toxicity of lead in paints and the availability of technically superior and safer alternatives;
- (b) To catalyse the design and implementation of appropriate prevention-based programmes to reduce and eliminate risks from the use of lead in paint. When processes for phasing-out lead are put in place in installations manufacturing paint, arrangements must be made to ensure a fair transition that protects workers' health [and employment];
- (c) To provide assistance to paint manufacturers that continue to produce and market paints containing lead to enable them to phase out lead from their paints;
- (d) To promote the establishment of appropriate national regulatory frameworks to stop the manufacture, import, sale and use of paints containing lead for applications likely to contribute to childhood lead exposure;
- (e) As appropriate, to promote international third-party certification of new paint products to help consumers to recognize paint and coatings without added lead;
- (f) To provide guidance and promote assistance to identify and reduce potential lead exposure in and around housing, such as household dust, and also in childcare facilities and schools in which paint containing lead is present. Guidance and assistance should also be provided to industrial facilities producing or using paint containing lead to reduce workers' lead exposure.

2. WORKING DEFINITION OF LEAD PAINT

The following criteria are used as a working basis for defining "lead paint":

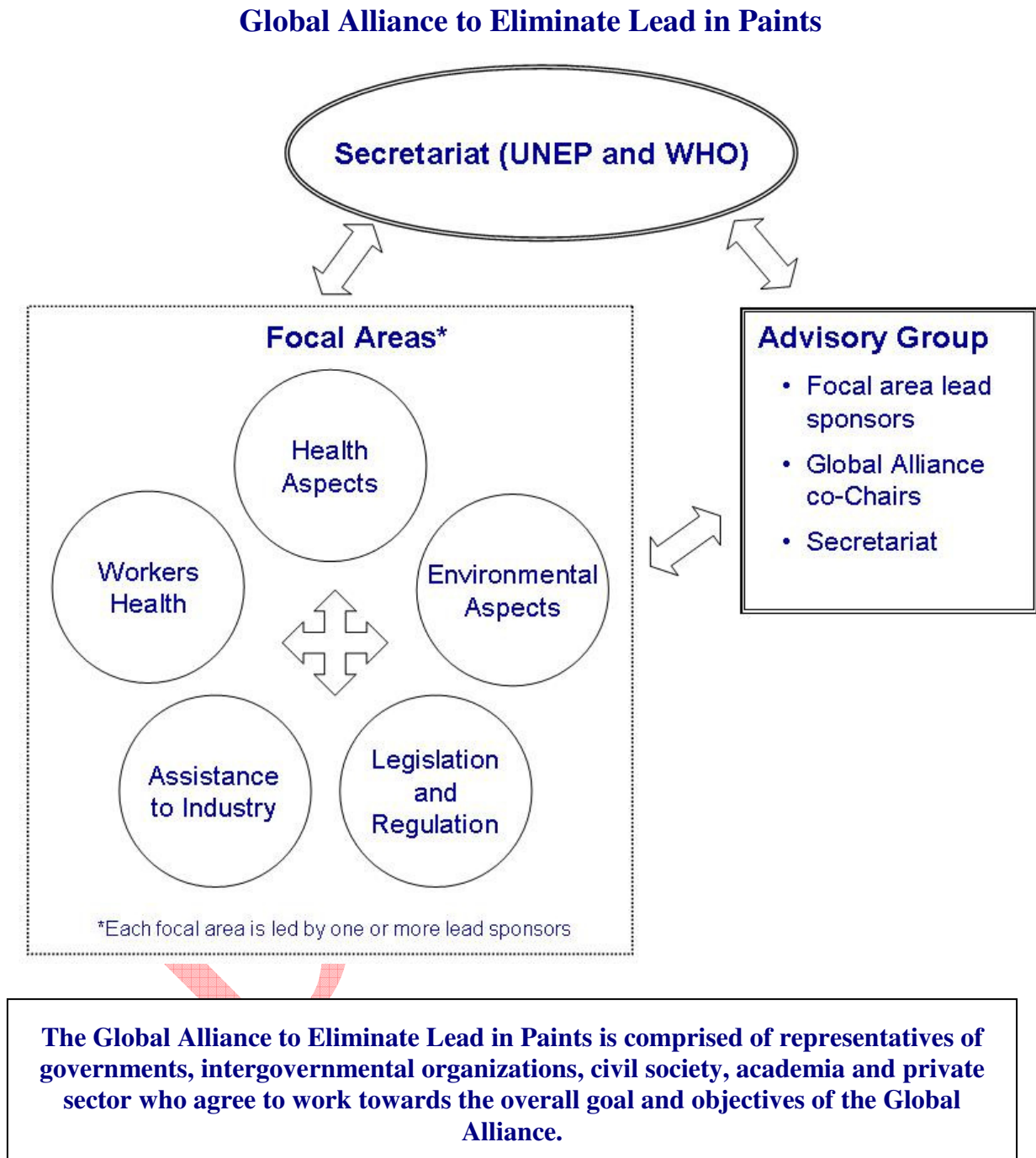
- (a) The term "lead paint" includes paints, varnishes, lacquers, stains, enamels, glazes, primers or coatings used for any purposes;
- (b) Lead is added to the paint, varnish, lacquer, stain, enamel, glaze, primer or coating;
- (c) The total lead concentration is defined on a weight percentage of the total non-volatile portion of the product or in the weight of the dried paint film.

3. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The organizational (operational) structure will facilitate meeting the overall goal and objectives of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints in a transparent, inclusive, flexible and effective way.

The organizational (operational) structure set out in Figure 1 will provide broad oversight, coherence, direction and facilitation. It will assist Global Alliance contributors in coordinating objectives, collaborating in defining and undertaking activities, communicating, and serve as a mechanism for discussion on cross-cutting issues. It is designed to be accountable, cost efficient and sustainable in nature and allow for effective monitoring and reporting on progress.

Figure 1 - Organizational structure (further details available in Annex 1)



4. OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

The Operational Guidelines set out in Annex 1 accommodate the wide scope of issues under the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints, clarifying roles and responsibilities of Global Alliance contributors while maintaining flexibility in undertaking the Global Alliance focal area activities in a transparent, accountable and inclusive way. The Operational Guidelines are to be applied to all aspects of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints, including the Global Alliance Advisory Group and the Global Alliance focal areas.

5. FOCAL AREA WORK PLANS AND ACTIVITIES

Annex 2 provides a list of activities that were included in the draft terms of references presented at the ICCM-2 for further adoption of the Global Alliance. These activities are being grouped into five focal areas i.e. i) Human Health, including lead toxicity and human exposure, excluding workers's health, ii) Environmental Aspects, iii) Legislation and Regulations, iv) Assistance to Industry. And v) Workers Health, including home-owners repairs..

SAICM/ICCM.2/15 Resolution II/4B calls to develop a business plan taking into consideration those activities. The business plans of the Global Alliance will comprise the work plans of each focal area. A work plan template is outlined in Annex 3 to provide guidance to the Global Alliance focal areas contributors.

Focal area work plans must be aligned with the Global Alliance framework, while maintaining the flexibility to allow for perspectives of new Global Alliance contributors to be considered and included within them. Work plans should be periodically reviewed.

While the overall goal and objectives would remain the same over time, priorities and timelines will need to be updated regularly in the light of progress in implementation and changing circumstances.

6. INFORMATION EXCHANGE

The Secretariat will share and disseminate information on relevant issues, develop and disseminate outreach materials and support contributors as requested in addressing responsibilities.

7. FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Financial resources are required to operate the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints, both for Secretariat work and for focal area activities. The Global Alliance framework and focal area work plans aim to provide clarity for potential donors and finance institutions and assist in mobilizing resources in a systematic, focused and harmonized way to meet the overall goal and objectives of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints.

8. EVALUATION AND REPORTING

Reports will provide details of the Global Alliance activities and contributors contributions as well as assessing effectiveness, and measuring the impact of Global Alliance activities towards the achievement of the overall goal and objectives. The Secretariat will provide a systematic reporting format for this purpose.

The focal areas will report twice a year to the Secretariat using the specified format.

The Secretariat will report of progress to the International Conference on Chemicals Management, its open-ended Working Group and others as appropriate.

Reports will be made available through the Global Alliance website.

ANNEX 1 - OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

The present guidelines govern the operations of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints.

1. THE GLOBAL ALLIANCE

- (a) The Global Alliance is a voluntary and collaborative relationship between various parties, whether governmental, non-governmental, public or private, in which all participants agree to work together systematically to attain the overall goal of phasing out the use of lead in paint, consistent with SAICM/ICCM.2/15 Resolution II/4B.
- (b) The Global Alliance is an important contribution to the implementation of paragraph 57 of the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD) and to the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM).

2. PARTICIPATION

- (a) The Global Alliance is open to the following bodies who agree to work towards the overall goal and objectives of the Global Alliance⁵:
 - i. Governments,
 - ii. Intergovernmental organization,
 - iii. Representatives of civil society,
 - iv. Representatives of the private sector, and
 - v. Any other entity or individual.
- (b) Participation is encouraged from the following groups:
 - 1 Representatives of national Governments including those:
 - i. That have already phased out the use of lead in paint in their countries and are willing to share experiences and provide help to those who are now prepared to do so;
 - ii. Where paints containing lead continue to be sold;
 - 2. Representatives of relevant intergovernmental organizations such as e.g. the participating organizations of the Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC)
 - 3. Representatives of the paint and coating industry and international and national companies that manufacture paints and coatings; and possibly of their relevant trade organizations;
 - 4. International and national medical, housing and public health organizations;
 - 5. Academics with expertise in relevant fields;
 - 6. Representatives of international and national non-governmental organizations that work on environmental health issues and that have experience of public outreach and awareness campaigns or of implementation of prevention programmes at the community or national levels;
 - 7. Trade unions at the local, national and international levels.

⁵ Bodies selling or promoting the use of lead in paint are not entitled to take part in the Global Alliance.

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- (c) Each entity or individual, upon becoming a contributor of the Global Alliance (hereinafter referred to as a “contributor”), will contribute to the development and implementation of Global Alliance activities. Contributions may be in the form of financial support, in-kind contribution and/or technical expertise.
- (d) To be accepted as a contributor, interested parties and individuals shall submit a letter of intent to the Global Alliance Secretariat signifying: i) their commitment to the overall goal and objectives of the Global Alliance, ii) their acceptance of the Global Alliance framework, and iii) a description of their planned contribution to the focal area work plans of the Global Alliance. Such letters are to be submitted to:
 - Head; UNEP Chemicals Branch; DTIE; 11-13, chemin des Anémones; CH-1219 Châtelaine; Geneva; Switzerland; Fax: (+41 22) 797 34 60; E-mail: noleadinpaint@unep.org

AND

- Director; Department of Public Health and Environment; World Health Organization; 20, av. Appia; CH-1211 Geneva 27; Switzerland; Fax: (+41 22) 791 48 48; e-mail: noleadinpaint@who.int.

Such letters of intent to become a contributor to the Global Alliance will be made public through the Global Alliance website.

- (d) Acceptance into the Global Alliance remains the responsibility of the Secretariat. Upon reception of letters of intent, the Secretariat will inform in due time the submitting party of its decision.
- (e) The Secretariat retains the right to exclude any contributor that significantly breaches its commitment to the overall goal and objectives of the Global Alliance or the rules and responsibilities set in the Global Alliance framework.

3. FOCAL AREA OF WORK AND FOCAL AREA WORKING GROUPS

- (a) The Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints operates through five focal areas:
 - i) Human Health, including lead toxicity and human exposure, excluding workers' health
 - ii) Environmental Aspects,
 - iii) Legislation and Regulations,
 - iv) Assistance to Industry. and
 - v) Workers Health, including home-owners repairs.
- (b) Activities of each focal area of work will be defined, coordinated and implemented through a focal area working group (One working group for each focal area)
- (c) Global Alliance contributors can decide to which focal area(s) they wish to contribute, based on their expertise and capacities. Contributors must contribute to at least one focal area of work and its working group.
- (d) A member of the Secretariat will be assigned to each working group as a liaison between it and the Secretariat.
- (e) Each focal area working group will be led and coordinated by one or more lead sponsor. The lead(s) sponsor(s) will be agreed at Global Alliance meetings or, in case a change is required during an intervening period, will be proposed to the Advisory Group by the working group.

4. FOCAL AREA ACTIVITIES AND WORK PLANS

- (a) Global Alliance activities include a range of actions to address the global issue of lead in paint, including exposures that result from previous lead paint applications. Focal area activities will be selected from the list of activities presented at ICCM-2 and listed in Annex 2.
- (b) Global Alliance contributors may propose additional activities. Contributors should submit a written explanation regarding the proposed activity to the Global Alliance Secretariat, who will review it and submit it to the Global Alliance Advisory Group for consideration.
- (c) Focal areas working groups will develop a work plan for their activities, including timeline, identification of resources, and fund raising strategy, in accordance with the Global Alliance framework and reflecting their accepted contributions. A work plan template is outlined in Annex 3 to provide guidance to the Global Alliance focal areas contributors.

5. GLOBAL ALLIANCE CHAIRS AND ADVISORY GROUP

- (a) Two Global Alliance co-chairs will be designated at the commencement of each Global Alliance Meeting, and will serve until the election of the new co-chairs at the subsequent Global Alliance meeting. Should a co-chair not be able to continue to term, a new one will be designated from among the Advisory Group members.
- (b) A Global Alliance Advisory Group will be established to serve and advise the Global Alliance.
- (c) The following representatives will be invited to serve as contributors of the Global Alliance Advisory Group:
 - The focal area lead sponsors
 - The Global Alliance co-chairs, who will also co-chair the Advisory Group.
 - The Secretariat (ex-officio representation)

6. MEETINGS

- (a) Meetings of the Global Alliance will take place physically or through electronic means.
- (b) Opportunities for physical meetings of the Global Alliance will be explored by the Secretariat, in particular, in conjunction with meetings of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM), international, regional and national meetings on chemical management and relevant topics, and subject to available resources.
- (c) Communication between contributors, lead sponsors, Advisory Group and Secretariat will take place primarily through electronic communication mechanisms.
- (d) Global Alliance focal area working groups**
 - (i) Contributors will meet twice a year and at such times as deemed necessary.
 - (ii) Meetings may be in person, by conference call or by any other means.
 - (iii) The focal area working groups will act by consensus of its contributors.
- (e) Global Alliance Advisory Group**
 - (i) The Advisory Group will meet twice a year and at such other times as deemed necessary.

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- (ii) Meetings may be in person, by conference call or by any other means.
- (iii) The Global Alliance Advisory Group will act by consensus of its contributors.
- (iv) Reports of the meetings of the Advisory Group will be made available through the Global Alliance website.

(f) Global Alliance Secretariat

- (i) The Global Alliance Secretariat will meet on a regular basis as deemed necessary.
- (ii) Meetings may be in person, by conference call or by any other means.

7. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) Roles and responsibilities are consistent across Global Alliance focal areas and consistent with the overall goal and objectives of the Global Alliance, while recognizing the unique contributions of individual contributors.

(b) Roles and responsibilities of the contributors

The contributors to the Global Alliance will, *inter alia*:

- i) Contribute, initiate and undertake activities within the focal area working group(s), conferring with other contributors as needed.
- ii) Report to focal area lead sponsors on the progress and results of their activities. These reports will be used to monitor and review Global Alliance progress and assess Global Alliance results against the agreed objectives.
- iii) Identify additional activities, strategies, and resources that would contribute to achieving the Global Alliance overall goal and objectives.
- iv) Contribute to the development of focal area work plan(s).
- v) Provide guidance and technical assistance to the focal area working group(s)
- vi) Share information within their respective organization on the Global Alliance and its focal area working group(s).
- vii) Mobilise resources, including financial resources, for the implementation of their activities.
- viii) Help bring new contributors to the Global Alliance.

(c) Roles and responsibilities of the focal area lead sponsors

The lead sponsors for each of the focal areas will:

- i) Convene and chair the meetings of the focal area work plan.
- ii) Lead the development of focal area work plans.
- iii) Develop regular reports of the activities of the focal area working group for consideration of the Global Alliance Advisory Group.
- iv) Encourage the active participation of and the sharing of information and strategies among all contributors in the work of the focal area.
- v) Share and disseminate information regularly including providing reports on progress, lessons learned, and best practices to the Advisory Group for wider public dissemination.
- vi) Represent the focal area working group on the Global Alliance Advisory Group.
- vii) Liaise and report to the Advisory Group on behalf of the focal area working group.

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(d) Roles and responsibilities of the Global Alliance Advisory Group:

The functions and responsibilities of the Advisory Group will include the following:

- i) Encourage the work of the Global Alliance focal areas working groups.
- ii) Review and monitor the Global Alliance focal area work plans to promote consistency with the overall goal and objectives of the Global Alliance
- iii) Review Global Alliance focal area progress reports and report through the Secretariat to the International Conference on Chemicals Management, its open-ended Working Group and others as appropriate.
- iv) Communicate overarching issues and lessons learned across focal areas.
- v) Prepare, based on focal area work plans, the overall business plan of the Global Alliance

(e) Roles and responsibilities of the Global Alliance co-chairs:

The Global Alliance co-chairs will:

- i) Chair the meeting of the Global Alliance and lead in the periods between its meetings.
- ii) Chair the Global Alliance Advisory Group.

(f) Roles and responsibilities of the Secretariat

The Secretariat, subject to the availability of resources, will:

- (i) Provide administrative and secretariat support to the Global Alliance
- (ii) Serve as ex-officio member on the Global Alliance Advisory Group.
- (iii) Help bring new contributors to participate in the Global Alliance.
- (iv) Review submissions and letters of intent of interested parties, and decide upon their acceptance as Global Alliance contributors.
- (v) Exclude any contributor that significantly breached their commitment to the overall goal and objectives of the Global Alliance, or the rules and responsibilities set in the Global Alliance framework.
- (vi) Maintain a list of contributors to the Global Alliance.
- (vii) Facilitate communication and coordination between the different focal areas.
- (viii) Disseminate information to the contributors on relevant issues.
- (ix) Prepare Global Alliance meeting reports.
- (x) Facilitate reporting of progress to the International Conference on Chemicals Management, its open-ended Working Group and others as appropriate.
- (xi) Provide guidance and technical assistance to the focal areas.
- (xii) Operate and maintain the Global Alliance website to provide easy access to information, contributors activities, and resources.
- (xiii) Develop and disseminate public outreach materials about the Global Alliance.
- (xiv) Make meeting reports and other relevant materials publicly available.
- (xv) Designate, if appropriate, a member of the Advisory Group to speak on behalf of the Global Alliance in public communications.
- (xvi) Mobilise resources, including financial resources, in support of the Global Alliance including fundraising to support the Secretariat.

8. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

- (a) Global Alliance meeting and progress reports, focal area reports and materials developed as part of the focal area activities will be disseminated through the Global Alliance website, maintained by the Secretariat. The dissemination of material remains subject to approval by the Secretariat and should be compatible with the Global Alliance framework.
- (b) Any contributor who communicates publicly either orally or in writing about the Global Alliance, and who is not specifically designated to do so by WHO and UNEP, must make it known that he or she is representing only their own views and not those of the Global Alliance.

9. USE OF NAMES, OFFICIAL EMBLEMS AND LOGOS

- (a) Global Alliance contributors shall not use the name, emblem or trademark of UNEP or WHO in publications, documents or oral/written communication without the express prior written approval of UNEP and WHO.
- (b) The name "Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints" can only be referred to by contributors for projects, publications or communication that fall within the Global Alliance framework and activities. The following wording must be used: "This <<project/publication/communication/activity>> is a contribution to the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints".
- (c) The name "Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints" cannot be used for commercial or promotional activities.
- (d) Individuals, institutions and/or entities that are not official contributors to the Global Alliance cannot use the name of the Global Alliance.
- (e) Official Global Alliance documents and reports will be prepared by the Secretariat and will include UNEP, WHO and IOMC logos, and a disclaimer in accordance with the relevant guidance of the organizations.

10. PUBLICATIONS

- (a) Contributors wishing to use the name of the Global Alliance in their publications must respect the rules established for the use of names, emblems and logos. The collaboration of contributors should be duly acknowledged in publications, unless a contributor does not wish to be associated with the publication. The wording of the acknowledgement should be agreed between the contributors concerned.
- (b) The listing of information and resources on the Global Alliance website is intended to provide information and guidance. The mention of specific resources or their producers does not imply that they are endorsed or recommended by UNEP and/or WHO in preference to others of a similar nature that are not mentioned. UNEP and/or WHO cannot attest to the accuracy of information provided by contributors or any other linked site.
- (c) Official reports and publications of the Global Alliance will be prepared and cleared by the Secretariat (UNEP and WHO). They will carry UNEP, WHO and IOMC logos, and a disclaimer in accordance with the relevant guidance of the organizations.

11. COPYRIGHTS

- (a) Copyright of any publication resulting from or relating to any of the agreed activities carried out under the collaboration of the Global Alliance or contributing to it shall be retained by the contributor or contributors who prepared the publication. However, the Secretariat has the right to use the information included in these publications for reporting purposes.
- (b) UNEP and WHO will follow their joint copyright approach for use of their respective documents.

12. RESOURCES

- (a) The Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints and the associated focal area work plans are a way of facilitating the mobilization of resources in a systematic, focused and harmonized way. The focal area objectives and work plans should provide clarity for potential donors and finance institutions.
- (b) Each entity or individual, upon becoming a contributor of the Global Alliance, commits to contribute resources in the form of financial support, in-kind contribution and/or technical expertise for the development and implementation of the Global Alliance activities.
- (c) A budget and fund-raising plan will be prepared for each focal area by the lead sponsor(s) and contributors.
- (d) Global Alliance contributors are responsible for the funding of their activities. Contributors are expected to identify potential donors, including government donors or other institutional donors, with an interest in providing resources to the Global Alliance activities.
- (e) Global Alliance contributors are encouraged to develop and submit proposal for Global Alliance activities to the funding mechanism of the SAICM.
- (f) Countries and organizations in a position to do so are encouraged to provide the identified resource needs.
- (g) Each contributor shall administer the funds handled by it in accordance with its financial regulations, rules and administrative practices. Any transfer of funds between contributors shall be made under an appropriate separate arrangement, to be negotiated between the contributors concerned.
- (h) Secretariat costs are expected to include personnel, operational costs (e.g. contractual agreements as necessary, communication and outreach activities including information forms, newsletter and/or the Global Alliance website) and meeting costs (e.g. support participation of developing countries and countries in economies in transition through meetings), etc..

13. TIMEFRAME

- (a) In line with SAICM/ICCM.2/15 Resolution II/4B, the Global Alliance will report on progress to the Open-ended Working Group at its first meeting and to the International Conference on Chemicals Management at its third session, scheduled for 2012. A possible extension of the timeframe of activities for the Global Alliance might be considered at the Conference.

14. MONITORING PROGRESS AND EVALUATION

- (a) Focal area lead sponsors will report twice a year on the progress of their working group to the Secretariat. Reporting requirements, including the systematic reporting format and the timeframe for reporting, will be defined by the Secretariat.
- (b) The Secretariat will collate and submit Global Alliance progress reports to the International Conference on Chemicals Management its open-ended Working Group and others as appropriate. Additional reports shall be prepared as deemed necessary.
- (c) The Advisory Group will review focal area progress reports and make recommendations to the Secretariat on the consolidation into the reports of the Global Alliance to the International Conference on Chemicals Management and its open-ended Working Group, and others as appropriate.
- (d) Reports will monitor the performance of the focal area activities and contributions and assess the effectiveness and impact of the Global Alliance on target beneficiaries.
- (e) The reports will be made publicly available through the Global Alliance website.

15. DISPUTE RESOLUTION:

- (a) Any dispute between Global Alliance contributors that cannot be resolved within focal areas working groups shall be submitted to UNEP and WHO for resolution.

ANNEX 2: GLOBAL ALLIANCE ACTIVITIES

Global Alliance activities⁶ include actions to tackle lead in paint, including the significant exposures that result from previous lead paint applications on buildings. These have been grouped into the following five focal areas and include:

A. Health Aspects (including lead toxicity and human exposure, but excluding workers health)

- A1) Exchanging information on the effects of lead on health
- A2) Exchanging information on pathways of exposure to lead paint for children and adults
- A3) Providing technical expertise in the design and implementation of studies to estimate the distribution of levels of lead in blood in the populations of other nations
- A4) Encouraging nations to monitor health to estimate the prevalence of lead in human blood
- A5) Building capacity and sharing information to monitor health to estimate the prevalence of lead in human blood
- A6) Building capacity and providing training to develop and maintain high-quality laboratory testing for lead in blood;
- A7) Assessing the hazards of substitutes for lead compounds in paint
- A8) Discussing and building capacity on how to reach health providers, caretakers and parents on how to minimize children's exposure to lead from lead paint hazards as part of efforts to minimize exposures to all sources of lead exposure in the household
- A9) Exchanging information to promote general public awareness of the hazards of lead paint

B. Environmental Aspects:

- B1) Encouraging nations to conduct monitoring to estimate the prevalence of lead in the environment (for example, in water, soil and animals)
- B2) Exchanging information on lead levels in paints in various countries
- B3) Assessing the hazards of substitutes for lead compounds in paint
- B4) Encouraging nations to conduct housing surveys to estimate the prevalence of lead paint in their housing stock
- B5) Developing guidelines with descriptions of simple analytical methods and test kits to identify lead paints
- B6) Building capacity and providing information and knowledge in human and laboratory equipment to facilitate laboratory tests for lead paint
- B7) Exchanging information on methods to make housing and other buildings with lead paint safe for occupancy by children and pregnant women
- B8) Minimizing risks of previously applied lead paint in buildings by using effective containment
- B9) Enhancing the elimination of lead paint in schools and other buildings where children will be present, given children's susceptibility to lead
- B10) Exchanging information to promote general public awareness of the hazards of lead paint
- B11) Exchanging information on safe disposal of lead paint waste
- B12) Developing approaches to manage and store waste containing lead paints

⁶ Global Alliance activities as defined in the draft Terms of Reference presented at the International Conference on Chemicals Management at its second session (ICCM-2, Geneva, 11-15 May 2009)

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C. Legislation and Regulation:

- C1) Exchanging information on national, provincial, State and local regulations and legislation on lead concentrations in paints permitted in various countries
- C2) Developing guidelines for establishing national standards, including those that would permit the use only of lead-free paints
- C3) Encouraging nations to require that only lead-free paint may be used in construction activities or renovations being supported with government funds
- C4) Providing guidance for and information on effective enforcement of national standards, including on how to avoid smuggling of lead paint
- C5) Building the legal enforcement capacity of environmental health officers in ministries, local authorities and mines
- C6) Providing international support to developing countries by devising further methods to enact comprehensive legislation to phase out lead paint completely
- C7) Exchanging information and providing international support to strengthen and harmonize existing national legislation that focuses on protecting public health in relation to the phase-out of lead paint
- C8) Building capacity and providing information and knowledge to help officials in a range of ministries to test for lead paint
- C9) Exchanging information to promote general public awareness of the hazards of lead paint

D. Assistance to Industry (including informal sector and small and medium enterprises):

- D1) Exchanging information on labelling and certification systems with regard to the presence and concentrations of lead in paint
- D2) Discussing and providing technical assistance on steps that could be taken to phase out lead from paints and surface coatings such as lacquers, veneers and powder coatings worldwide
- D3) Encouraging the use of financial incentives to support the use of lead-free paints
- D4) Sharing knowledge on the availability of substitutes to replace lead compounds in paints
- D5) Assessing the feasibility of the voluntary phase-out of the production of lead in paint in cooperation with business and industry, including at the (sub)regional level
- D6) Encouraging wholesalers and retailers to halt sales of lead paints
- D7) Exchanging information on suggestions for warning labels on new cans of paint alerting users to the health risks that could result if the surfaces being prepared for repainting contain lead paints
- D8) Exchanging information to promote general public awareness of the hazards of lead paint

E. Workers Health (including home-owners repairs):

- E1) Exchanging information on safe methods to conduct repair or renovation activities on the interior and exterior of homes and other buildings that contain lead paint to minimize exposures to residents and workers and to minimize releases to the environment (including from wastes) that may contribute to future exposures
- E2) Discussing steps to teach renovators, painters and other professionals how to minimize children's exposure to lead from lead paint
- E3) Exchanging information on steps to warn workers of their vulnerability and exposure to lead in small-sized and medium-sized enterprises, in particular in developing countries
- E4) Exchanging information to promote general public awareness of the hazards of lead paint

ANNEX 3: GLOBAL ALLIANCE FOCAL AREA WORK PLAN TEMPLATE

SHORT INTRODUCTION

OVERALL GOAL AND OBJECTIVES OF THE GLOBAL ALLIANCE TO ELIMINATE LEAD IN PAINTS

1. SUMMARY OF THE FOCAL AREA ISSUE

The summary highlights why this particular issue is important in the context of the overall Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints. It provides the reader with some context of the issue.

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE GLOBAL ALLIANCE FOCAL AREA

The focal area objectives should reflect desired outcomes of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints. They should contribute to the overall goal and objectives of the Global Alliance. Objectives are to be ambitious and target-oriented. Objectives will focus the work and will contribute to concrete results in a systematic way.

3. PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

This section identifies the key priority activities for the Global Alliance focal area (suggest three to five priority actions). The focal area priority actions are clearly linked to the Global Alliance focal area objectives.

4. GLOBAL ALLIANCE FOCAL AREA EFFORTS AND TIMELINES

This section delineates the efforts of the contributors towards the priority actions, including overarching, bilateral and collaborative efforts and should be:

- Clearly linked to the Global Alliance focal area objectives.
- Described with costs, timeframes, targets and milestones, as appropriate and available.
- Provided with contact information for those responsible for the efforts.

5. OPPORTUNITIES AND LINKAGES

This section notes other concepts and ideas that are of potential interest to the Global Alliance focal area in terms of meeting its objectives.

This section allows the contributors to:

- identify “good ideas” that may need more scoping in order to form part of the future focal area work plan
- identify actions outwith the Global Alliance but which provide intervention advancing Global Alliance focal area objectives and to which links could be made.

Contributors are encouraged to identify and pursue cross cutting work that is cross cutting in nature.

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Opportunities should clearly linked to the Global Alliance focal area objectives and be as specific as possible.

6. EVALUATION

Common to all of the focal areas:

The focal areas lead sponsors will report to the Secretariat of the Global Alliance on a schedule to be agreed. Reports will monitor the performance of the focal area activities and contributions and assess the effectiveness and impact of the Global Alliance of target beneficiaries.

In this section, the Global Alliance work areas shall:

- outline how progress will be monitored in meeting the Global Alliance focal area objective(s).
- describe how the Global Alliance focal area will undertake performance measurement and reporting.

7. RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

The Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead in Paints and the associated focal area work plans are a way of mobilizing resources in a systematic, focused and harmonized way. The focal area objectives and plans should provide clarity for potential donors and finance institutions. If contributors wish to leverage funding for particular projects, details should be outlined within this section.

Global Alliance contributors are responsible for the funding of their activities. Contributors are expected to identify potential donors, including government donors or other institutional donors, with an interest in providing resources to the Global Alliance activities.

Global Alliance contributors are encouraged to develop and submit proposal for Global Alliance activities to the funding mechanism of the SAICM.

8. WORK PLANNING PROCESS

The process of developing and reviewing work plans will be outlined in this section. Global Alliance contributors will take stock of efforts and test direction and productivity in moving forward and will adjust planning accordingly.

10. CONTRIBUTORS

This section is a list of contributors to the focal area and identifies the lead sponsor(s) and point of contact.