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Item 5(b)(iii): Review of the status of waste management in Africa

Note by the Secretariat

Presentation by the Secretariat

1. Introduction

1. Although Africa as a whole has a major development aspiration in the broader context of a global and continental economic development agenda, the continent is faced with a waste management challenge.
2. These waste management challenges could be solved using the teachings and practices of other African countries.
3. In Africa, the waste menace is driven by population growth, rapid urbanization, a growing middle class, changing consumption habits and production patterns, and global waste trade and trafficking.
4. The Africa Waste Management Outlook (2018) aims at highlighting both the challenges and the possible solutions for sustainable waste management in Africa, and at providing opportunities for countries to learn from what others in Africa are doing.
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6. While member States of the United Nations, including Parties to the Bamako Convention, agreed to achieve the environmentally sound management of chemicals and all wastes throughout their life cycle by 2020, it is already 2020 and it is unlikely that target 12.4 of the 2030 Agenda will be achieved.
7. The Secretariat will make a short PowerPoint presentation on the Africa Waste Management.

2. Proposed action

The Conference of the Parties may wish to take a decision on the findings and recommendations of the Africa Waste Management Outlook.