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# **Meeting Report**

Fifth Project Steering Committee Meeting of the MedProgramme Child Project 1.1

Madrid, 15 October 2024



### **Conclusions of the Steering Committee Meeting**

On 15 October 2024, the 5<sup>th</sup> Steering Committee Meeting (SCM) of Child Project 1.1 "Reducing Pollution from Harmful Chemicals and Wastes in Mediterranean Hotspots and Measuring Progress to Impacts" (GEF ID 9684) of the Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme): Enhancing Environmental Security (GEF ID 9607) was held in Madrid at the kind invitation of the Centre for Energy, Environmental and Technological Research (CIEMAT). The Meeting was organized by UNEP/MAP Secretariat/MedPCU.

Further to its deliberations, the SCM reached the following conclusions and recommendations:

- 1. The SCM took note of work progress achieved to date by the Executing Partners under the three components (Chemical and Waste, International Waters and Monitoring and Evaluation) of the MedProgramme's Child Project 1.1 and agreed on the importance of continued collaboration among the different partners for the efficient implementation of the activities.
- 2. The SCM endorsed the recommendations of the Midterm Review Report (August 2024), with the exception of Recommendation No 7 related to monitoring on land of the positive impacts of removal of PCB and mercury on the environment, which is partially accepted pending further deliberations on how to practically act on. The Meeting indicated that some countries do not have the institutional structure and/or financial and human resources to undertake systematic regular monitoring. Countries are encouraged to request technical support from UNEP/MAP. The SCM requested to the executing agencies to analyze options and propose measures to this aim for the 6<sup>th</sup> SCM in March 2025.
- 3. The SCM requests the executing agency to ensure full stakeholder representation from IW and CW focal points for the project steering committee meetings and all other project technical meetings.
- 4. The SCM adopts the revised logframe for Child Project 1.1 attached as Annex A to the conclusions of this meeting.
- 5. With regards to disposal activities of PCB and mercury, the SCM:
  - *i.* Agreed to the allocated PCB and mercury quantities to be disposed/removed from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Lebanon, Tunisia and Algeria totaling 2000 tons of PCB and 389 tons of mercury.
  - *ii.* Requested to MedPCU to ensure that national consultants in countries where PCB/mercury disposal activities will be undertaken are recruited in time to coordinate/ follow up with governmental agencies, the contractors and waste owners, and to report on progress of disposal activities.
  - iii. Expressed its concern over the current security situation in Lebanon and requested MedPCU to closely monitor actions on the ground and timely to recommend mitigation measures prior to the  $6^{th}$  SCM in March 2025.
- 6. With regards to prevention activities of new POPs and mercury, the SCM:
  - *i.* Took note of the status of work progress by MedWaves and the completion of the inventories and related legal frameworks for new POPs and mercury in Morocco, Lebanon and Tunisia.
  - *ii.* Recognize the challenges (budget and timeframe) in the delivery of the pilot projects and request the removal of these projects from CP1.1 logframe. The Meeting requested MedWaves to provide a written report on lessons learned and options for future projects.
  - *iii.* Agreed on to extend the MedWaves agreement by 4 months to enable the delivery of the agreed upon new activities as elaborated in the Steering Committee Meeting report.

- 7. With regards to activities undertaken in the framework of the IW component, the SCM:
  - *i.* Took note of planned activities to prepare a summary policy document targeting decision makers and integrating findings from the Mediterranean Quality Status Report 2023 (MED QSR). The SCM requested to the MedPCU to obtain the approval of the countries prior to submitting the document for publication and dissemination.
  - *ii.* The SCM agreed with the proposal of MedPCU to include the budget for the equipment for offshore monitoring in the SSFAs budget to be signed with the five countries to be selected for piloting the monitoring activities.
  - *iii.* Agreed with the proposal of MedPCU to work with InfoRAC for streamlining the MedProgramme Data Sharing Policy with the existing MAP Data Policy adopted by COP22 (December 2021), and approved the allocated budget for that purpose.
- 8. The Secretariat requested the countries to provide updated reports on co-financing. The Meeting requested the organization of webinars to support the countries in this regard. The Secretariat will organize a webinar by mid-December 2024 with the aim for the countries to submit their co-financing reports by end of January 2025.
- 9. The SCM reviewed the updated workplan of CP1.1 until 31 March 2025. The SCM approved planned activities as stipulated in the workplan subject to incorporating the above-mentioned recommendations.
- 10. The SCM took note of the status of budget expenditures and balance in view of future commitments. The SCM specifically agreed to:
  - *i.* Proposed budget allocations for engaging UNOPS for procurement of Phase 2 disposal contracts in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro, as well as Mercury and PCB in Tunisia.
  - *ii.* Proposed budget allocations to dispose of an additional 600 tons of PCB by the contractor currently engaged for disposal of PCB in Algeria.
- 11. The SCM approved the budget revisions proposed by the Executing Partners and Secretariat/MedPCU as indicated in working document UNEP/MED WG.596/5/Rev.1. The SCM further approved the repurposing of funds between Output 1.1 for PCB disposal and Output 1.2 for mercury disposal.

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## **Report of the Meeting**

### Introduction

1. In the framework of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) funded Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme): "Enhancing Environmental Security (GEF ID 9607), and Child Project 1.1 "Reducing Pollution from Harmful Chemicals and Wastes in Mediterranean Hot Spots and Measuring Progress to Impacts" (GEF ID 9684) executed by UNEP/MAP, the MedProgramme Coordinating Unit (MedPCU) held its 5<sup>th</sup> Project Steering Committee Meeting of Child Project 1.1, hosted by the Centre for Energy, Environment and Technology (CIEMAT) in Madrid, Spain on 15 October 2024.

2. The primary objective of the Project Steering Committee Meeting was to discuss the findings and conclusions of the mid-term review of CP1.1 as well as to review the status of the PCB and Mercury disposal contracts and budget expenditures, revisions and forecast.

### Participation

3. The Steering Committee Meeting was attended by representatives from the following GEF-Participating Countries: Albania, Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Libya, Montenegro, Tunisia and Türkiye. The Meeting was also attended by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Mediterranean Action Plan/ Barcelona Convention Secretariat (UNEP/MAP). Also in attendance to the meeting were the Regional Activity Centre of UNEP/MAP: MedWaves-SCP/RAC for Sustainable Consumption and Production and Plan Bleu, as well as the representative of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) responsible for implementation of Child Project 1.3.

4. The full list of participants is attached as Annex I to the present report.

### Agenda item 1: Opening of the Meeting

5. The Meeting was opened at 10:00 AM on 15 October 2024 by the MedPCU Coordinator, Mr. Mohamad Kayyal. In his opening remarks, he welcomed members of the Steering Committee and thanked them for their continuous efforts in the implementation of project activities in collaboration with the Executing Partners of the project. He explained the aim of the meeting to review work progress for the PCB/mercury disposal contracts, and address aspects related to prevention of PCB and mercury; activities handled by SCP/RAC-MedWaves. He indicated that the meeting will also consider the recommendations of the mid-term review (MTR) with the aim to endorse/agree with its findings.

6. In her opening statement, Ms. Eloise Touni, UNEP-GEF Chemical and Waste (CW) Task Manager provided an overview of the nine (9) recommendations raised in the MTR. She pointed out that the outcome of the MTR indicated that performance is moderately satisfactory. She noted that as a result of the SCM deliberations, the workplan and the overall budget will be amended so executing agencies can take actions immediately. She reminded that CP1.1 is extended to March 2026 which requires amending the workplan accordingly.

### Agenda item 2: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and Organization of Work

7. The Steering Committee Meeting elected Ms. Jelena Kovacevic from Montenegro as Chair of the Meeting, and Mr. Youssef Zidi from Tunisia as rapporteur.

8. The proposed agenda appearing in document UNEP/MED WG.596/1/Rev.1 was presented by the MedPCU Programme Coordinator. The Steering Committee Meeting reviewed and accepted the agenda as included in Annex II to this report.

9. The discussions were held in two daily plenary sessions, convened over one day, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 14:30 to 17:30. An online link was provided for the meeting participants who were unable to physically attend the meeting. Simultaneous interpretation in English and French was available for both sessions.

# Agenda item 3:Review of recommendations of the 4th project steering committee meeting<br/>and mid-term review (MTR) of Child Project 1.1

10. Under this component of agenda item 3, UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager presented the recommendations of the MTR of CP1.1 included in the annex to report UNEP/MAP WG.596/3. She indicated that out of nine (9) recommendations raised by the MTR evaluator, two (2) which are related to project extension and recruitment of the finance officer are already completed. The remaining seven (7) recommendations address stakeholders representation, repurposing of funds from mercury to PCB, revision of the quantity of 2000 tons of POPs to be disposed, co-financing from the countries, repository of documents for the terminal evaluation, monitoring of PCB and mercury sites to measure progress to impacts, and gender assessment.

11. With regards to stakeholders representation, she noted that focal points of the BRS conventions can be invited to the meeting, noting that representatives for CW and IW should attend the SCM; thus, encouraging the participating countries to nominate.

12. Concerning repurposing of funds from mercury to PCB outputs, she noted that the GEF Secretariat was notified and that the SCM should consider a budget revision at this stage.

13. In relation to the revision of PCB quantities of 2000 tons, she indicated that the project is extended, the countries identified stocks of 2000 tons, and budget allocations are existent. Therefore, there is no need to consider a reduction of PCB quantities for disposal.

14. Concerning countries' co-financing, she noted the low level of commitments and lack of reporting of co-financing. She noted that letters were received last year only from two countries and requested the executing agency to follow up on reporting by the countries to ensure reports are available for submission in June 2025 for the next PIR cycle. She requested the Countries to submit their co-financing reports latest by March 2025 during the 6<sup>th</sup> SCM meeting of CP1.1. She stressed the need to ensure that reporting cover the period starting in 2020. A number of countries requested assistance in completing these reports. The Meeting requested that MedPCU organize a workshop/ training to assist the countries for the preparation of the co-financing reports before end of December, 2024.

15. Concerning the repository of documents for the Terminal Evaluation, she requested from MedPCU to ensure access for the Terminal Evaluator (TE) to all documents. She noted, however, that delays in the launch of the knowledge management (KM) platform which is intended to compile all technical reports, inventories and contracts is partly responsible for this recommendation. She urged MedPCU to address this point in time for the terminal evaluation.

16. With regards to monitoring of PCB and mercury sites for assessing progress to impacts, she stressed the need for linkage between the CW and IW components of CP1.1. She sought proposals from the project partners on how to address this point. MedPCU Programme Coordinator indicated that in order to see direct impacts of pollution reduction/disposal/removal, the project partners should consider establishing pollution monitoring programmes at the PCB- and mercury-contaminated sites

as impacts will not be visible during project execution. Several countries indicated that they do not have the institutional, technical and financial resources needed to establish a continuous monitoring system and sought assistance from UNEP/MAP. MedPCU Coordinator indicated that countries should raise this point with the Secretariat during discussions of the PoW for the biennium 2026-2027. The Meeting requested the intervention of MED POL in this regard to ensure that this request is addressed in the next PoW.

17. Regarding gender assessment, the evaluator stressed the need to recruit the gender specialist and to ensure that a Gender Action Plan is developed, including a more targeted approach of future interventions so that these can benefit from the gender-responsive actions and capacity building. MedPCU Programme Coordinator indicated that the recruitment of the Gender Specialist is in the final stages and the expert should be on board before the end of 2024.

18. UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager indicated that three recommendations require further discussion and decisions to be adopted by the SCM, namely, Recommendation 3 on repurposing of funds; Recommendation 4 on revision of the target for disposal of 2000 tons of PCB; and Recommendation 7 for monitoring of PCB and mercury sites post disposal of these chemicals. Concerning Recommendation 7, MedPCU Coordinator reiterated the position that this point should be raised to the attention of the Secretariat through MED POL to ensure that it is reflected in the PoW for the biennium 2026-2027.

### Agenda item 4: Review of the status of implementation of the Chemical Waste (CW) Component of Child Project 1.1

### a) PCB/Mercury disposal contracts and implementation progress

19. Under this component of agenda item 4, the MedPCU Coordinator presented work progress achieved to date as documented in report UNEP/MAP WG.596/3. He focused on the link between the indicators, targets, and means of verification as documented in the logframe in the implementation of the activities of the project. He presented work in progress in Lebanon and Algeria for Phase 1 disposal activities noting difficulties and challenges facing the contractor in Lebanon due to the ongoing conflict, particularly that two out of the five PCB sites are in the South of Lebanon close to military operations. He indicated that the contractor is ready to initiate collection of 271 tons of PCB once the situation stabilizes and that collection and disposal of the transformers would take no more than 6 months for completion.

20. Regarding Algeria, the MedPCU Coordinator noted that collection of 413 tons of PCB oil and contaminated transformers will be completed in November 2024. Shipments to the treatment facility in France are in progress. Work on this Phase 1 of the project is expected to be completed in April 2025. He also provided an overview of work planned under Phase 2 in Algeria, showing locations of the new sites for further collection and disposal of 600 tons of PCB. He indicated that extending the contract of the present contractor is under negotiation with UNON whereby the present contract will be amended to address the additional quantity with a target end date for completion of disposal by end of March 2026. He noted that in total, Algeria is contributing to more than 50% of the PCB target disposal of the project.

21. With regard to work planned for disposal of PCB from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, as well as Tunisia, the MedPCU Coordinator gave an update of the status of preparation of the Environmental Management Plans (EMP) reports further to the completed inventories by the countries. He indicated that the draft EMPs are under final review by UNEP. These reports will be provided to UNOPS at a later stage for their negotiations with the PCB disposal contractors. He described the status of negotiations in progress with UNOPS to sign a Finance Agreement which would enable UNOPS to procure the services of contractors to collect and dispose of PCB from the four countries, noting that the agreement should be signed no later than November 2024, with a

deadline for completion of collection and disposal by March 2026. He indicated that in total, approximately 700 tons of PCB will be disposed from the four countries.

22. With regards to meeting the target disposal of 2000 tons of PCB, the MedPCU Coordinator indicated that the combined quantities inventoried/collected in Lebanon (Phase 1), Algeria (Phases 1 and 2), Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, as well as Tunisia (Phase 2) add up to approximately 2000 tons, in line with the project target for disposal of PCB. He made reference to the recommendation of the MTR to reduce the targeted amount, noting that there is no need to alter this target as project duration was extended and targeted quantity allocated. In this regard, EBRD representative, Ms. Hande Yukseler, indicated that EBRD will attempt to coordinate their contract for disposal of PCB from the STEG designated site in Tunisia in the framework of Child Project 1.3 with the contractor to be procured by UNOPS for disposal of PCB in Tunisia.

23. With regards to mercury disposal, the MedPCU Coordinator indicated that the EMP for mercury has been completed in Tunisia. The amount of 389 tons has been identified from the Kasserine site. Disposal of this amount is included in the Finance Agreement under negotiation with UNOPS and will be handled concurrently with the disposal of the PCBs.

24. With regards to the EMP in Algeria, the MedPCU Coordinator indicated that the EMP is in progress and is expected to be completed by February 2026. In relation to this assessment, Algeria requested the removal of mercury stocks based on the outcomes of the EMP. MedPCU Coordinator indicated that there is insufficient funding to handle additional quantities at the present stage, noting that the amount to be collected from Tunisia already exceeds the target set by the project of 350 tons of mercury removed. He confirmed however that once all contracts are signed for PCB disposal, it will be possible to reassess the financial situation of the project including funding availability in order to verify if additional disposal/removal activities of mercury can be undertaken.

25. Bosnia and Herzegovina requested that consideration is given to removal of mercury from the Tuzla site (which was subject to assessment by the MedProgramme). UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager indicated that the lack of ratification of the Minamata Convention had hampered GEF from allocating funds for disposal; noting however that this site may be subject to future GEF funding.

# *b) Pollution prevention measures on new POPs and mercury, and implementation progress*

26. Under this component of agenda item 4, Mr. Jordi Moles Matinero, Project Manager at MedWaves presented work progress achieved to date, as documented in report UNEP/MAP WG.596/3 with a focus on those activities undertaken since March 2024. He noted that preparation of legislation regarding PFOS, HBCD and other POPs are in progress for both Morocco and Tunisia; expected to be completed by end of 2024. He indicated that reports are also under preparation for the experimental results obtained in Tunisia and Morocco; also expected by end of 2024. He finally noted that a single report consolidating all "inventory" data and information is under preparation to be completed by January 2025. This report, he indicated, will be shared and validated by the project focal points.

27. Concerning the new activities requested by the countries in the previous SCM (March 2024) to propose pilot projects, MedWaves Project Manager indicated that projects concepts were developed and presented to Libya, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Morocco. He noted however that budget allocations were insufficient to carry out these projects while confirmations from the countries were not received.

28. With regards to mercury reduction through pilot activities, MedWaves Project Manager provided an update of work ongoing in Tunisia with regard to updating the legislative framework for mercury and the national inventory of mercury. He indicated that both tasks have been completed. He indicated that three reports on management practices for mercury-contaminated waste and for identification of hotspots (Chlor-Alkali plants, etc.) are currently under preparation. He finally

provided an estimate of the amounts of mercury inventoried in Lebanon and Tunisia based on the collection of thermometers from hospitals. He also provided an overview of the status of awareness of health workers with regards to the risks posed by mercury waste on human health and the environment.

29. Following MedWaves presentation, several countries requested the organization of training/capacity building for removal of POPs. MedWaves took note and indicated its willingness to discuss expansion of training to cover other countries.

30. UNEP/GEF-CW Task Manager indicated that GEF will fund PCB disposal through a programme led by the World Bank in which UNEP is the Implementing Agency. The programme will work with any country willing to dispose of PCB; provided the country is willing to provide financial investments to this aim (e.g. upgrading of electricity grid). She indicated that the programme will be approved in December 2024. By June 2025, Child Projects will be developed. She requested from countries interested to join this programme to contact her.

31. EBRD representative provided a briefing over their work with regards to PCB disposal. She indicated that EBRD focuses mainly on PCB and new industrial POPs, supporting public and private companies. She indicated that priority is given to substitution of firefighting foams whereby POP-free systems are used in airports and refineries.

32. One country indicated the importance of carrying out activities leading to the prevention of POPs, noting that these are included in the LBS Protocol under the Barcelona Convention. MedWaves Project Manager indicated that time and budget were lacking to carry out such activities under the MedProgramme, noting however that these can be carried out under complementary activities. In response, UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager indicated that it is not possible to extend the project beyond March 2026 due to cost implications and other considerations. She indicated that MedWaves will consult with the countries to agree on a list of concrete deliverables before end of the SCM. She noted that lessons learned should be drawn as to the reasons why pilot projects for prevention of new POPs faced difficulties to implement in order to ensure that future projects can be designed for successful implementation. MedWaves Project Manager confirmed the interest of MedWaves to work with the countries, particularly for producing concrete knowledge products that would lead to implementation of preventive measures on substitution of new POPs. UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager indicated that UNEP has big projects with airports in five countries and is looking forward to expanding the list. MedPCU Coordinator proposed that MedWaves would work with the countries on building capacities for prevention of firefighting foams in airports.

33. The conclusions and recommendations under this agenda item for Component 1 of CP1.1 are presented in Annex III of this report.

# Agenda item 5: Review of the status of implementation progress of the International Waters (IW) Component of Child Project 1.1

34. The MedPCU Coordinator provided an overview of work in progress under Component 2 (IW) of CP1.1, with a focus on those activities undertaken since March 2024, as documented in report UNEP/MAP WG.596/3. He provided a briefing on the development of the summary TDA document; the offshore monitoring strategy, including selection of 20 monitoring stations and further piloting in 5 countries. He updated the meeting on the work regarding the data sharing policy and the foreseen role of InfoRAC in the implementation of this activity.

35. The UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager brought to the attention of the Meeting the Recommendation of the MTR for monitoring reduction of pollution on sites cleaned-up from PCB and mercury. She highlighted a number of options to address this point including monitoring by the disposal contractors; the countries; or alternatively to ensure that these monitoring activities are

integrated into MAP's programme of work. Several countries indicated that systematic regular monitoring activities by national institutions are not undertaken, citing difficulties in allocating competent human resources, lack of financial resources as well as supporting institutional structures. The countries requested support from UNEP/MAP to address this issue. The UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager inquired if Plan Bleu can support the strengthening of monitoring activities on PCB and mercury. Plan Bleu Programme Officer indicated that Plan Bleu takes a holistic approach and does not focus specifically on pollutants like PCB and mercury, rather on the kind of development that leads to pollution prevention at regional, national and local scales. One country proposed to work with the national focal points of the BRS Conventions. EBRD representative indicated that companies responsible for pollution should be liable for clean-up and for covering the cost of further monitoring activities. MedPCU Coordinator indicated that the request of the countries for support from UNEP/MAP will be brought to the attention of UNEP/MAP-MED POL, noting that the Contracting Parties should also raise this issue when the draft PoW for the 2026-2027 biennium is discussed/ presented for their review in mid-2025. The UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager proposed to hold workshops to support the countries, stressing also the need for the MedProgramme to allocate funds for monitoring of hotspots (e.g. using MapX) or through the private sector involvement with EBRD. She indicated that hotspots are of great importance to the GEF.

36. The conclusions and recommendations under this agenda item for Component 2 (IW) of CP1.1 are presented in Annex III of this report.

### Agenda item 6: Review of Updated Workplan for Child Project 1.1

37. Under this agenda item, the MedPCU Coordinator, MedWaves Project Manager and Plan Bleu Programme Officer presented the updated Workplan of Child Project 1.1 for Component 1 on PCB and mercury disposal/reduction; Component 2 on International Waters; and Component 3 on Monitoring and Evaluation as documented in report UNEP/MAP WG.596/4.

38. The UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager indicated that there is a need for a decision on extending the work of MedWaves including scope of proposed activities. Accordingly, MedWaves project manager held discussions with the countries' representatives from Albania, Montenegro, Libya and Tunisia. Consultations led to the agreement to organize four workshops (covering different POPs topics) between February and June 2025 in the four countries. MedWaves further agreed with Montenegro to prepare knowledge products on prevention of POPs and firefighting foams, policy recommendations regarding POPs, as well as sampling of articles containing PFOs. MedWaves indicated that their work on the newly proposed activities will be concluded by July 2025.

39. MedWaves agreed also to prepare a report on lessons learnt from its experience/challenges to develop/implement pilot projects for prevention of new POPs. This report will be presented for the consideration of development of future projects pertaining to prevention of new POPs in the region.

40. The Steering Committee Meeting approved the updated Work Plan included in Annex IV as per the conclusions and recommendations under this agenda item presented in Annex III of this report.

### Agenda item 7: Review of the updated project expenditures, budget revisions and forecast for Child Project 1.1

41. Under this agenda item, the MedPCU Associate Finance and Budget Officer, Rachel Kagiri, presented CP1.1 budget expenditures and forecast as documented in Annex VI of UNEP/MAP WG.596/5/Rev.1 document. She also presented details of the proposals for budget revisions under UMOJA classes of personnel, travel, contractual and operational, including the recommendation to reallocate approximately USD 1.4 million from the output of mercury to the output of PCB. Details of budget revisions and variances are included in Annex VII of report UNEP/MAP WG.596/5/Rev.1.

42. MedPCU Coordinator indicated that the final budget allocations for remaining activities cannot be specified at this stage accurately awaiting the conclusion of negotiations of the two contracts for disposal of PCB and removal of mercury currently under way by UNOPS and UNON. UNEP-GEF/CW Task Manager indicated that exact amounts will be available for the consideration of the next SCM planned in March 2025.

43. The Steering Committee Meeting approved the budget forecast and revisions, including reallocation of funds from mercury to PCB, as per the conclusions and recommendations under this agenda item presented in Annex III of this report.

### Agenda item 8: Review of the updated procurement plan for Child Project 1.1

44. MedPCU Coordinator presented the updated procurement plan for CP1.1 as documented in Annex V of the UNEP/MAP WG.596/5/Rev.1 document, including allocated funds for procurement, consultancies, and other activities categorized under contractual and operational classes.

45. The Steering Committee Meeting approved the procurement plan, as per the conclusions and recommendations under this agenda item presented in Annex III of this report.

### Agenda item 9: Any Other Business

46. EBRD representative requested information on inventories of PCB and new POPs in the countries in order to allow for the planning of future projects to support the countries for their removal. Countries agreed with the request of EBRD to provide this information.

47. No other issues were raised for this agenda item on "any other business".

### Agenda item 10: Conclusions and Recommendations

48. The Meeting reviewed, commented on, and approved the draft Conclusions and Recommendations as amended and attached to the present report as Annex III.

### Agenda item 11: Closure of the Meeting

49. After expressing the usual courtesies, the Chair declared the Meeting closed at 17:30 on Tuesday 15 October 2024.

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Annex II Agenda of the Meeting

### **Provisional Agenda**

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Annex III Conclusions and Recommendations

### **Conclusions and Recommendations**

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Further to its deliberations, the SCM reached the following conclusions and recommendations:

- 1. The SCM took note of work progress achieved to date by the Executing Partners under the three components (Chemical and Waste, International Waters and Monitoring and Evaluation) of the MedProgramme's Child Project 1.1 and agreed on the importance of continued collaboration among the different partners for the efficient implementation of the activities.
- 2. The SCM endorsed the recommendations of the Midterm Review Report (August 2024), with the exception of Recommendation No 7 related to monitoring on land of the positive impacts of removal of PCB and mercury on the environment, which is partially accepted pending further deliberations on how to practically act on. The Meeting indicated that some countries do not have the institutional structure and/or financial and human resources to undertake systematic regular monitoring. Countries are encouraged to request technical support from UNEP/MAP. The SCM requested to the executing agencies to analyze options and propose measures to this aim for the 6th SCM in March 2025.
- 3. The SCM requests the executing agency to ensure full stakeholder representation from IW and CW focal points for the project steering committee meetings and all other project technical meetings.
- 4. The SCM adopts the revised logframe for Child Project 1.1 attached as Annex A to the conclusions of this meeting.
- 5. With regards to disposal activities of PCB and mercury, the SCM:
  - i. Agreed to the allocated PCB and mercury quantities to be disposed/removed from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Lebanon, Tunisia and Algeria totaling 2000 tons of PCB and 389 tons of mercury.
  - ii. Requested to MedPCU to ensure that national consultants in countries where PCB/mercury disposal activities will be undertaken are recruited in time to coordinate/ follow up with governmental agencies, the contractors and waste owners, and to report on progress of disposal activities.
  - Expressed its concern over the current security situation in Lebanon and requested MedPCU to closely monitor actions on the ground and timely to recommend mitigation measures prior to the 6<sup>th</sup> SCM in March 2025.
- 6. With regards to prevention activities of new POPs and mercury, the SCM:
  - i. Took note of the status of work progress by MedWaves and the completion of the inventories and related legal frameworks for new POPs and mercury in Morocco, Lebanon and Tunisia.
  - ii. Recognize the challenges (budget and timeframe) in the delivery of the pilot projects and request the removal of these projects from CP1.1 logframe. The Meeting requested MedWaves to provide a written report on lessons learned and options for future projects.
  - iii. Agreed on to extend the MedWaves agreement by 4 months to enable the delivery of the agreed upon new activities as elaborated in the Steering Committee Meeting report.
- 7. With regards to activities undertaken in the framework of the IW component, the SCM:

- i. Took note of planned activities to prepare a summary policy document targeting decision makers and integrating findings from the Mediterranean Quality Status Report 2023 (MED QSR). The SCM requested to the MedPCU to obtain the approval of the countries prior to submitting the document for publication and dissemination.
- ii. The SCM agreed with the proposal of MedPCU to include the budget for the equipment for offshore monitoring in the SSFAs budget to be signed with the five countries to be selected for piloting the monitoring activities.
- iii. Agreed with the proposal of MedPCU to work with InfoRAC for streamlining the MedProgramme Data Sharing Policy with the existing MAP Data Policy adopted by COP22 (December 2021), and approved the allocated budget for that purpose.
- 8. The Secretariat requested the countries to provide updated reports on co-financing. The Meeting requested the organization of webinars to support the countries in this regard. The Secretariat will organize a webinar by mid-December 2024 with the aim for the countries to submit their co-financing reports by end of January 2025.
- 9. The SCM reviewed the updated workplan of CP1.1 until 31 March 2025. The SCM approved planned activities as stipulated in the workplan subject to incorporating the above-mentioned recommendations.
- 10. The SCM took note of the status of budget expenditures and balance in view of future commitments. The SCM specifically agreed to:
  - i. Proposed budget allocations for engaging UNOPS for procurement of Phase 2 disposal contracts in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro, as well as Mercury and PCB in Tunisia.
  - ii. Proposed budget allocations to dispose of an additional 600 tons of PCB by the contractor currently engaged for disposal of PCB in Algeria.
- 11. The SCM approved the budget revisions proposed by the Executing Partners and Secretariat/MedPCU as indicated in working document UNEP/MED WG.596/5/Rev.1. The SCM further approved the repurposing of funds between Output 1.1 for PCB disposal and Output 1.2 for mercury disposal.

Annex IV Updated Work Plan (2024 – 2025)

### Updated Work Plan of Child Project 1.1 "Reducing Pollution from Harmful Chemicals and Wastes in Mediterranean Hotspots and Measuring Progress to Impacts" (GEF ID 9684) of the Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme)

Child Project 1.1 Updated Workplan (2024-2025)	2024 202			2025		
Activity/Quarter	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Status	
Component 1: Chemicals and Waste						
Output 1.1: Management and disposal of POPs						
Activity 1.1.1: POPs disposal (Algeria and Lebanon)						
Lebanon (phase 1)						
Health, safety and environmental plan					Completed	
Basel notification documents					In progress	
Collection of PCB-containing equipment					Not initiated	
Official notification of disposal from disposal facilities					Not initiated	
Algeria (phases 1 and 2)						
Health, safety and environmental plans phase 1					Completed	
Basel notification documents phase 1					Completed	
Collection of PCB-containing equipment					In progress	
Official notification of disposal from disposal facilities (phase 1)					Not initiated	
Contract amendment signed to include Phase 2 PCB waste					In progress	
Health, safety and environmental plans phase 2					Not initiated	
Basel notification documents phase 2					Not initiated	
Collection of PCB-containing equipment					Not initiated	
Activity 1.1.2: POPs inventory and prioritization in Albani Tunisia	a, Algeri	a, Bosnia	a and Ho	erzegovir	na, Morocco,	
Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Tunisia (pl	hase 2)					
Inventory/sampling of PCB oil in Tunisia					In progress	
EMP for PCB in Albania, BiH and Montenegro					In progress	
EMP/monitoring plan new POPs for Montenegro					Not initiated	

Child Project 1.1 Updated Workplan (2024-2025)	2024		2025		
Activity/Quarter	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Status
Finance Agreement (FA) signed with UNOPS for disposal contract					In progress
Contract awarded with UNOPS					Not initiated
Output 1.2: Management and safe storage of mercury					
Final mercury assessment for Tunisia					In progress
Final socio-economic study for Tunisia					Completed
Environmental sound management plan for Algeria					In progress
EMP/monitoring plan for Montenegro					Not initiated
Financial Agreement (FA) signed with UNOPS for disposal contract in Tunisia					In progress
Contract awarded to UNOPS					Not initiated
Output 1.3: Long term POPs reduction through pilot activ	ities on n	ew POP	s alterna	tives	
Activity 1.3.1: Pilot demonstration projects in three countr	ies				
Comprehensive regulatory draft on the management of POPs in accordance with the Stockholm Convention for Tunisia available					In progress
Comprehensive regulatory draft on the management of POPs in accordance with the Stockholm Convention for Morocco available					In progress
Laboratory analysis report summarizing findings of the sampling campaign of PFOS, HBCD, and SCCP in Lebanon available.					Completed
Laboratory analysis report summarizing findings of the sampling campaign of PFOS and HBCD in Tunisia available.					In progress
Laboratory analysis report summarizing findings of the sampling campaign of PFOS and HBCD in Morocco available.					In progress
Activity 1.3.2: Replication and expansion of prevention pilot activities					
Preparation of the pilot project/ case study in Morocco and/or BiH and/or Libya and/or Montenegro available					Not initiated
Preparation and conducting workshops on new POPs taking into account all the experimental data collected and identifying which sectors require further emphasis is planned to be held in Morocco and Tunisia in the 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter of 2024					Not initiated

Child Project 1.1 Updated Workplan (2024-2025)		2024		2025	
Activity/Quarter	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Status
Output 1.4: Mercury reduction through pilot activities on r	new mer	cury alte	rnatives	Tunisia	
Activity 1.4.2: Update legislation					
A framework regulation aiming at updating national legislation related to mercury management and disposal in Tunisia available					In progress
Activity 1.4.3: Mercury waste hotspots analysis reports					
A National Inventory of mercury release into the environment in Tunisia available					In progress
A report on the management of mercury-contaminated waste; identification of hotspots in Tunisia available					In progress
Activity 1.4.3: Health risk assessment for policy guidance					
Report about analysis "assessing mercury levels in urine keratin of healthcare workers, particularly those highly exposed to mercury in hospitals and dental clinics in Tunisia (both private and hospital-based)" available.					Not initiated
Report about analysis "measuring mercury levels in the air within cities where mercury-containing equipment in Tunisia (e.g., thermometers, sphygmomanometers, probes, mercury, lamps, and mercury waste management)" available					Not initiated
Component 2: International Waters		1			
Output 2.1: Updated TDA including gender assessment					
Draft TDA report prepared in 2023 will be updated to include findings from the Mediterranean Quality Status Report 2023 (MED QSR), as well as the identified national transboundary priority issues and associated impacts based on pollutants' releases and proposed mitigation measures					In progress
SSFAs signed with Albania, Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Lebanon, Morocco, Libya, Tunisia aiming to support the preparation of the NAPs in which countries are expected to identify national transboundary priority issues and assess their impacts based on the regional transboundary diagnostic analyses presented in the draft TDA report					In progress

Child Project 1.1 Updated Workplan (2024-2025)	2024 20		2025		
Activity/Quarter	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Status
Several communication events/ seminars organized following the publication of the MED 2050 report					Not initiated
3 workshops on the MED 2050 scenarios and transition paths in organized in Morocco, Tunisia and Croatia					Not initiated
Output 2.2 Report on progress to impacts					
Access to the KM platform is fully operational					In progress
Combining MAP/ Mediterranean and SGDs reporting to assess progress and identify project's impacts.					Not initiated
Preparation of the progress to impacts report					Not initiated
Output 2.3: Offshore monitoring strategy and identification stations	n of 20 lo	ocations	for the o	ffshore r	nonitoring
Draft offshore strategy reviewed and aligned with national IMAPs					In progress
Identification of at least 20 sites for offshore monitoring stations					In progress
Identification of 5 pilot stations for implementing the offshore monitoring strategy in 5 piloting areas is finalized					In progress
Piloting IMAP implementation for selected indicators at up to 5 offshore stations					Not initiated
Output 2.4: Data sharing policy for the Mediterranean					
Review of structure, functions and content of national databases/ IT platforms					Not initiated
Recommendations on the design of IT model to connect national into a regional network/ platform					Not initiated
Development of regional data sharing policy to facilitate reporting and use of IMAP data					Completed
Promoting regional cooperation and exchange of best practices					In progress

Child Project 1.1 Updated Workplan (2024-2025)		2024		2025	
Activity/Quarter	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Status
Component 3: Monitoring and Evaluation					
Output 3.1: Knowledge Management strategy shares know	ledge fro	om Child	l Project	: 1.1	
Activity 3.1.2 Case studies in different formats including vi	deo for t	the prevo	ention pi	lots	
Technical guidance, expertise and support to the MedProgramme Coordinating Unit (MedPCU) provided for the execution of the MedProgramme KM Strategy					Not initiated
Communications Strategy and related products designed and developed in support of implementation of the KM Strategy including case studies, videos, etc.					Not initiated
Cross cutting support to Child Project 1.1 and the interlinkages with other Child Projects of the MedProgramme provided					Not initiated
Output 3.2: Regular monitoring and evaluation of project	progress	and res	ults		
Activity 3.2.1 Quarterly financial reports and annual progressecution	ress repo	orts moni	itoring s	tatus of p	oroject
4 Quarterly progress and financial reports provided					In progress
PIR draft and co-finance report provided					Completed
Chemicals & Waste session for ASMs organized					In progress
Project Steering Committee organized					In progress
Activity 3.2.2 Midterm and Terminal evaluations					
Support for Mid-term review provided					Completed

Annex V Procurement Plan

### Procurement Plan of Child Project 1.1 "Reducing Pollution from Harmful Chemicals and Wastes in Mediterranean Hotspots and Measuring Progress to Impacts" (GEF ID 9684) of the Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme)

UNEP Budget Line	List of Goods and Services required	Budget (\$US) committed in Q4/2024	Budget (\$US) committed in Q1/2025	Brief description of anticipated procurement process
Recruitment of consultant	S			
SB-007468.11.02.01 (CW)	Amendment to the terms of contract of the regional consultant for development of EMP for PCB disposal to undertake training for use of PCB monitoring equipment in Algeria	6000		Consultant recruited following UNON rules and procedures. Current contract ends in November 2024 and will be extended till March 2025.
SB-007468.11.02.03 (CW) SB-007468.12.02.01 (IW)	International consultant to integrate/interlink outcomes of the MedProgramme Child Projects		40,000 10,000	Consultant to be recruited through competitive selection process following UNON rules and procedures – contract duration 15 months (March 2026)
SB-007468.11.02.01 (CW) SB-007468.12.02.01 (IW)	International consultant to execute, analyze the data related activities of the Knowledge Management Platform and produce progress to impacts report		28,900 20,000	Consultant to be recruited through competitive selection process following UNON rules and procedures – contract duration 15 months (March 2026)
SB-007468.11.02.02 (CW)	National consultants for follow-up on disposal activities for PCB in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro		45,000	Consultants to be recruited through competitive selection process following UNON rules and procedures – contract duration 15 months (March 2026)

UNEP Budget Line	List of Goods and Services required	Budget (\$US) committed in Q4/2024	Budget (\$US) committed in Q1/2025	Brief description of anticipated procurement process
SB-007468.11.02.03 (CW)	National consultant for follow-up on disposal activities for Hg in Tunisia		15,000	Consultant to be recruited through competitive selection process following UNON rules and procedures – contract duration 15 months (March 2026)
SB-007468.11.02.05 (CW)	Amendment to terms of contract of the national consultant of Lebanon for follow-up on disposal activities for PCB	6,700		Consultant is on board. Amendment with cost with end date at closure of consultancy in December 2025
SB-007468.12.02.01 (IW)	International consultant to review and support the pilot implementation of the Offshore Monitoring Strategy and Monitoring Plans in the Mediterranean Sea		22,000	Consultant to be recruited through competitive selection process following UNON rules and procedures for 12 months (Dec. 2025)
SB-007468.12.02.01 (IW)	International consultant to support MedProgramme to develop summary Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis report (TDA) for policy makers incorporating 2023 Med-QSR report findings		44,000	Consultant to be recruited through competitive selection process following UNON rules and procedures for 12 months (Dec. 2025)
SB-007468.11.02.04 (CW) SB-007468.12.02.02 (IW)	International consultant to execute the Gender Strategy and Activities of the GEF/UNEP MedProgramme	7,920	0	Consultant to be recruited through competitive selection process following UNOPS rules and procedures
	Subtotal (USD)	20,620	224,900	
	Total	245,520		

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UNEP Budget Line	List of Goods and Services required	Budget (\$US) committed in Q4/2024	Budget (\$US) committed in Q1/2025	Brief description of anticipated procurement process
Implementing partners				
SB-007468.11.04.01 (CW) SB-007468.12.04.01 (IW)	PCA with InfoRAC for streamlining MedProgramme Data Sharing Policy in line the existing MAP Data Policy	15,000 35,000		PCA duration 15 months till March 2026
SB-007468.11.01.08 (CW)	SSFA with CETI (Montenegro) – Sediment analysis for port of Bar and EMPs for Tivat and Bar.	104,000		PCA duration 15 months till March 2026
SB-007468.12.02.01 (IW)	Amendment of PCA for Grid Geneva (along with additional funding from CP4.1)	41,100		PCA Grid Geneva for knowledge platform
SB-007468.12.01.02 (IW)	Budget allocated for procurement of equipment under SB-007468.12.05.02 revised to supplement IP for SSFAs for monitoring of 5 pilot stations		220,000	5 SSFAs to absorb revised budget
	Subtotal (USD)	195,100	220,000	
	Total	415,100		

Procurement of meetings				
SB-007468.11.04.02 (CW) SB-007468.12.04.02 (IW)	Organization of ASM meeting in Türkiye in 8- 10 April 2025		30,000 20,000	Procurement further to UNDP Türkiye rules and procedures (based on Fax Authorization with UNDP)
SB-007468.11.04.03 (CW) SB-007468.12.04.03 (IW)	Procurement of interpretation services for one Steering Committee Meetings		6,915 8,040	Procurement following UNON rules and procedures
	Subtotal (USD)		64,955	
	Total	64,955	-	
Procurement for disposal	of POPs and Mercury			
SB-007468.11.05.01 (CW) SB-007468.11.06.01 (CW) SB-007468.11.05.05 (CW) SB-007468.11.03.03 (CW) SB-007468.11.01.03 (CW) SB-007468.11.01.05 (CW)	Amendment of contract no. 4700025416 with Tredi to include additional quantities of PCB- containing equipment for disposal in Algeria	1,458,197 149,925 80,000 268,000 36,000 8,400 <b>Total: 2,000,522</b>		The amendment of the existing contract underway by UNON expected to be completed by Dec. 2024
SB-007468.11.05.02 (CW) SB-007468.11.05.05 (CW) SB-007468.11.02.02 (CW) MTF cofinancing (PoW 2024-2025 activity 5.2.5)	PCB-disposal contract covering Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro and Tunisia as well as Mercury in Tunisia	3,261,750 40,000 145,000 55,000 <b>Total: 3,501,750</b>		Procurement undertaken through engagement of UNOPS – Finance agreement extending till March 2026
	Subtotal (USD)	5,502,272		
	Total	5,502,272		

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Procurement for office sup	oplies, furniture and equipment			
SB-007468.11.04.04 (CW) SB-007468.12.04.04 (IW)	Contract for procurement of interpretation equipment and/or furnishings for the conference room at UNEP/MAP premises designated for holding steering committee meetings		18,431 16,000	Procurement through competitive bidding process following UNON rules and procedures
	Subtotal (USD)		34,431	
	Total	34,431		
	SUBTOTAL (USD)	5,752,423	544,286	
	TOTAL (USD)	6,29	6,709	

Annex VI Budget forecast

## Budget forecast based on actual spending of Child Project 1.1 (GEF ID 9684) of the Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme)

CW		Expenditu		CW Budg et and Expenditures As of 20 September 2024		Annual CW Budget Forecast for 2024			Annual CW Budget Forecast for 2025	Total Forecasted CW Budget for approval at SCM (Budget for 1 October 2024 to 31 March 2025)	Total Forecasted CW Budget 1 (October 2024 to 31 March 2025)	
Budget line SB-007468.11 S1-32GFL-000632	Expenditure Areas	Total	CW Budget	BALANCI		Q3		Q4	Q1	Sum of CW 2024 Q and 2025 Q1	4 Sum of CW 2024: Q4; 2025: Q1	TOTAL PROJECT BALANCE ( As At 31st March 2025)
	FT30_010 PROJECT STAFF AND PERSONNEL					I	_					
SB-007468.11.06.01	MedPCU - Programme Officer CW (P3)	\$	747,845	\$ 413,	525		\$	53,700	\$ 42,000	\$ 95,700	\$ 263,700	149,925
N/A	MedPCU - Finance and Budget Officer (P2)	\$	324,955	\$ 292,	800	\$ 32,155	\$	30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 212,155	112,800
SB-007468.11.06.02	MedPCU - Finance and Budget Assistant (G5)	\$	90,200	\$ 53,	271	\$ 15,927	\$	15,900	\$ 15,900	\$ 31,800	\$ 68,927	271
SB-007468.11.06.03	MedPCU - Programme and Administration Assistant (G5)	\$	28,000	\$ 28,	000					\$-	\$ 15,900	12,100
SB-007468.11.02.01	Regional consultants CW (capacity building / training)	\$	42,500	\$ 34,	925				\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	28,925
SB-007468.11.02.02	Regional Technical Experts/Consultants (CW - POPs)	\$	230,000	\$ 152,	740					\$-	\$-	152,740
SB-007468.11.02.03	Regional Technical Experts/Consultants (CW - Hg)	\$	130,000	\$ 95,	030					\$-	\$-	95,030
SB-007468.11.02.04	Gender Specialist (C&W - IW)	\$	10,000	\$ (1,-	420)					\$-	\$-	(1,420)
SB-007468.11.02.05	National consultants to support POPs disposal actitivites (Lebanon)	\$	20,000	\$ 6,	727					\$ -	\$ -	6,727
	Subtotal	\$	1,623,500	\$ 1,075,	599	\$ 48,082	\$	99,600	\$ 93,900	\$ 193,500	\$ 566,682	557,099
	FT30_140 GRANTS TO IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS (IP)											
SB-007468.11.01.01	PCA with SCPRAC - POPs (FPOS, SCCP, HBCD) prevention (assessment, training awareness) and mercury prevention pilots	\$	775,000	\$	-	\$ 26,747				\$ -	\$ 26,747	0
SB-007468.11.01.02	SSFA with MapX for visualization and assessment of inventories	\$	20,000	\$	(1)					\$ -	\$ -	(1)
SB-007468.11.01.03	SSFA Algeria (national consultants and PCBs inventorying)	\$	195,000	\$ 36,	000		\$	36,000		\$ 36,000	) \$ 36,000	0
SB-007468.11.01.05	SSFA Tunisia (national consultants and POPs inventorying)	\$	448,400	\$ 8,4	400	\$ 21,226	\$	8,400		\$ 8,400	\$ 29,626	0
SB-007468.11.01.06	SSFA Bosnia and Herzegovina (national consultants)	\$	180,000	\$	-					\$-	\$ -	0
SB-007468.11.01.07	SSFA Albania (national consultants and PCBs inventorying)	\$	95,000	\$	-	\$ 52,972				\$-	\$ 52,972	0
SB-007468.11.01.08	SSFA Montenegro (CETI new SSFA)	\$	224,000	\$ 104,	000					\$-	\$ -	104,000
SB-007468.11.01.09	SSFA Morocco (national consultants and POPs inventorying)	\$	39,200	\$	200	\$ 20,271				\$-	\$ 20,271	200
SB-007468.11.01.10	SSFA Hg capacity / Hg ESM Tunisia	\$	147,500	\$	-					\$ -	\$ -	0
	Subtotal	\$	2,124,100	\$ 148,	599	\$ 121,216	\$	44,400	\$ -	\$ 44,400	\$ 165,616	104,199

CW		CW Budg Expendi As of 20 Septe	lures		Budget Forecast 2024	Annual CW Budget Forecast for 2025	Total Forecasted CW Budget for approval at SCM (Budget for 1 October 2024 to 31 March 2025)	Total Forecasted CW Budget 1 (October 2024 to 31 March 2025)	
Budget line SB-007468.11 S1-32GFL-000632	Expenditure Areas	Total CW Budget	BALANCE	Q3	Q4	Q1	Sum of CW 2024 Q4 and 2025 Q1	Sum of CW 2024: Q4; 2025: Q1	TOTAL PROJECT BALANCE ( As At 31st March 2025)
ļ	FT30_160 TRAVEL	1		•			n		
SB-007468.11.03.01	Staff Travel & Transport (MedPCU) (CW - IW)	\$ 14,000	\$ 6,057	\$ 715	\$ 2,000		\$ 2,000	\$ 2,715	4,057
SB-007468.11.03.02	MED POL technical staff and regional consultants (C&W - IW)	\$ 35,000	\$ 9,844	\$ 2,907		\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,907	7,844
SB-007468.11.03.03	Participants capacity builling workshops CW	\$ 495,000	\$ 459,071			\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	409,071
SB-007468.11.03.05	Gender site assessments travel and DSA (C&W - IW)	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000			\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	8,000
	Subtotal	\$ 554,000	\$ 484,972	\$ 3,622	\$ 2,000	\$ 54,000	\$ 56,000	\$ 59,622	428,972
	FT30_120 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES								
SB-007468.11.05.01	POPs disposal for Algeria (phase 1 and phase 2 amendment)	\$ 3,110,000	\$ 1,458,197	\$ 446,800	\$ 237,420	\$ 232,919	\$ 470,339	\$ 917,139	541,058
SB-007468.11.05.02	Phase 2 - POPs and mercury disposal (Balkans and Tunisia)	\$ 3,261,750	\$ 3,261,750				\$-	\$-	3,261,750
SB-007468.11.05.03	POPs inventories and lab analyses	\$ 78,650	\$-				s -	\$-	0
SB-007468.11.05.04	Contractual services to support national activities in Lebanon	\$-	\$-				\$-	\$-	0
SB-007468.11.05.05	Assessment Montenegro - EMP and regional assessment	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000		\$ 120,000		\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	0
SB-007468.11.05.06	Assessment and management plan Kasserine Tunisia	\$ -	\$-				\$-	\$-	0
SB-007468.11.05.07	Mercury wastes removal EIAs	\$ -	\$-				\$-	\$-	0
	Subtotal	\$ 6,570,400	\$ 4,839,947	\$ 446,800	\$ 357,420	\$ 232,919	\$ 590,339	\$ 1,037,139	4,249,608
	FT30_135 EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES AND FURNITURE								
SB-007468.11.04.04	Office equipments (IT conference room equipment)	\$ 20,000	\$ 18,431				\$-	\$ -	18,431
	Subtotal	\$ 20,000	\$ 18,431	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	18,431
	FT30_125 OPERATING AND OTHER DIRECT COSTS								
SB-007468.11.04.01	Knowledge management strategy	\$ 75,000	\$ 59,667		\$ -	\$-	\$-	\$-	59,667
SB-007468.11.04.02	Annual Stocktaking meeting	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000			\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	30,000
SB-007468.11.04.03	Steering Committee for CP 1.1	\$ 75,000	\$ 6,915			\$ 6,915	\$ 6,915	\$ 6,915	0
SB-007468.11.04.05	Contribution to IW:LEARN (1% IW grants)	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000				\$-	\$-	20,000
	Subtotal	\$ 230,000	\$ 146,582	\$-	\$-	\$ 36,915	\$ 36,915	\$ 36,915	109,667
	TOTAL	\$ 11,122,000	\$ 6,714,229	\$ 619,720	\$ 503,420	\$ 417,734	\$ 921,154	\$ 1,865,974	\$ 5,467,975

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POPs disposal for Algeria (phase 1 and phase 2 amendment) :- Addational Usd 55,000 secured under Co-Finance contribution from 2024-2025 (MTF activity 5.2.5. Strengthen the MAP result-based programmatic framework including gender) mainstreaming and sustainability of operations

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IW			IW Bud Expend f 20 Sept	ditu		Annual IW Budget Forecast for 2024		E For	nnual IW Budget recast for 2025	Total Forecasted IW Budget for approval at SCM (Budget for 1 October 2024 to 31 March 2025)	Bu	tal Forecasted IW udget (1 Octoberl 2024 to 31 March 2025)		
Budget line SB-007468.12 S1-32GFL-000621	Expenditure Areas	Total I	W Budget		Balance		Q4		Q1	Sum of IW 2024: Q4 and 2025:Q1	Sur	m of CW 2024: Q4; 2025: Q1	BALA	AL PROJECT NCE ( As At March 2025)
	FT30_010 PROJECT STAFF AND PERSONNEL										1			
SB-007468.12.06.01	MedPCU - MedProgramme Coordinator (P4)	S	248,585	\$	67,967	\$	31,500	\$	31,500	\$ 63,000	_	67,967		(0)
SB-007468.12.06.03	MedPCU - Finance and Budget Officer (P2)	\$	119,415	\$	0					\$ -	\$	-		0
SB-007468.12.02.01	Regional consultants IW - TDA	\$	470,000	\$	160,481	\$	-	\$	137,100	\$ 137,100	\$	137,100	\$	23,381
SB-007468.12.02.02	Gender Specialist (C&W - IW)	\$	10,000		1,960	\$	1,960			\$ 1,960		1,960	\$	0
	1	\$	848,000	\$	230,409	\$	33,460	\$	168,600	\$ 202,060	\$	207,027	\$	23,382
	FT30_140 GRANTS TO IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS (IP)													
SB-007468.12.01.01	PCA with Plan Bleu - Thematic assessments Socio-economic/Driver TDA IW	\$	250,000	\$	-					\$ -	S	-	\$	-
SB-007468.12.01.02	SSFA with 5 countries for the offshore monitoring stations	S	200,000		200,000			\$	-	\$-	S	-	\$	200,000
SB-007468.12.01.03	SSFAs with 9 countries for NAPs/PoM addressing national TDA assessments	\$	530,000	\$		\$	-			\$ -	S	-	\$	173,850
		\$	980,000	Ş	373,850	Ş	-	\$	-	ş -	Ş	-	\$	373,850
	FT30_160 TRAVEL													
SB-007468.12.03.01	MedPCU travel to support the project (C&W - IW)	\$	14,000	\$	3,224			\$	3,000	\$ 3,000	\$	3,000	\$	224
SB-007468.12.03.02	MED POL technical staff and regional consultants (C&W - IW)	\$	80,000	\$	62,600			\$	62,600	\$ 62,600	\$	62,600	\$	(0)
SB-007468.12.03.03	Workshops and meetings IW	\$	360,000	\$	283,761			\$	50,000	\$ 50,000	s	50,000	\$	233,761
SB-007468.12.03.04	Gender site assessments travel and DSA (C&W - IW)	\$	10,000	\$	10,000					\$ -	S	-	\$	10,000
		\$	464,000	\$	359,585	\$	-	\$	115,600	\$ 115,600	S	115,600	\$	243,985
	FT30_120 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES													
SB-007468.12.05.01	Other Thematic assessments TDA IW	\$	-	S	-					\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
SB-007468.12.05.02	Equipment pilot offshore monitoring stations IW	\$	220,000	\$	220,000	\$	-			\$ -	S	-	\$	220,000
		S	220,000	\$	220,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	S	-	\$	220,000
	FT30_135 EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES AND FURNITURE	**********		20000										
SB-007468.12.04.04	Office equipment	S	16,000	s	16,000			\$	-	\$ -	s	-	\$	16,000
		\$	16,000	S	16,000	S	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	16,000
	FT30_125 OPERATING AND OTHER DIRECT COSTS													
SB-007468.12.04.01	Knowledge management strategy	\$	50,000	\$	50,000			\$	-	\$ -	s	-	\$	50,000
SB-007468.12.04.02	Annual Stocktaking meeting	\$	40,000	\$	40,000			\$	20,000	\$ 20,000	S	20,000	\$	20,000
SB-007468.12.04.03	Steering Committee for CP 1.1	S	50,000	\$	8,040			\$	8,040	\$ 8,040	\$	8,040	\$	0
SB-007468.12.04.05	Contribution to IW:LEARN (1% IW grants)	S	10,000		10,000					\$ -	\$	-	\$	10,000
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	S	380,000		285,026	S	-	S	38,040	\$ 38,040	S	38,040	\$	246,986
		\$	2,908,000	\$	1,484,869	\$	33,460	\$	322,240	\$ 355,700	\$	360,667	\$	1,124,202

Annex VII Revised Budget and Variances

	Cc	omponent 1: Che	emicals and Was	te	G	omponent 2: Int	ernational Wate	rs	Compone	nt 3: M&E	PN	лс		Grand Total	
BUDGET REVISIONS (GEF ID 9684)	Output 1.1 POPs disposal	Output 1.2 Mercury disposal	Output 1.3 POPs prevention	Output 1.4 Mercury prevention	Output 2.1 Updated TDA	Output 2.2 Progress to impacts	Output 2.3 Offshore monitoring	Output 2.4 Data sharing policy	Chemicals and Waste (60%)	International Waters (40%)	Chemicals and waste	International waters	Chemicals and waste	International waters	Total Project Overall Budget
UMOJA CODE															
FT30_010 STAFF AND PERSONNEL															
1001 MedPCU - MedProgramme Coordinator (P4)	-	-	-	-	33,750	68,750	68,750	68,750	-	-	-	8,585	-	248,585	248,585
1002 MedPCU - Programme Officer CW (P3)	29,825	100,010	188,240	202,000		-	-	-		-	77,845	-	597,920		597,920
1009 MedPCU - Finance and Budget Officer (P2)	-	-	-	-				-	-	-	324,955	119,415	324,955	119,415	444,370
1003 MedPCU - Programme Financial Assistant (G5)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90,200	-	90,200		90,200
1004 MedPCU - Programme and Administration Assistant (G5)	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28,000	-	28,000		28,000
1005 Regional/national consultants CW (capacity building / training)	-	-	-	42,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42,500	-	42,500
1006 Regional consultants IW - TDA	-			-	298,400	43,500	43,500	43,500		-				428,900	428,900
1007 Regional/national Technical Experts/Consultants (CW - POPs)	-		83,580				-	-		-			83,580	-	83,580
1008 Tech support friom MED POL P4 (100% salary contribution from MTF)	-	-	-	-			-	-	-	-	-		-		-
1010 Regional/national Technical Experts/Consultants (CW - Hg)	-	65,000	-	65,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130,000	-	130,000
1011 Gender Specialist	-	11,420	-	-	-	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,420	10,000	21,420
National consultants to support POPs disposal activities (Lebanon)	20,000	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,000	-	20,000
subtotal	49,825	176,430	271,820	309,500	332,150	122,250	112,250	112,250	-	-	521,000	128,000	1,328,575	806,900	2,135,475
FT30_140 GRANTS TO IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS (IP)															-
2201 SCPRAC - POPs prevention (assessment, training/awareness) and mercury	-	-	275,000	500,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	775,000	-	775,000
2202 SSFA with MapX for visualization and assessment of inventories	20,000	-	-	-	41,100	-	-	-		-	-	-	20,000	41,100	61,100
2203 SSFA Algeria (national consultants and PCBs inventorying)	123,000	36,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	159,000	-	159,000
SSFA Lebanon (national consultants) [ELIMINATED; \$60k moved to 1201															í í
2204 Phase 1 POPs disp.; \$10k moved to consultants; \$10k moved to		-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-		-
contractual services]															
2205 SSFA Tunisia (national consultants and POPs inventorying)	21,600	418,400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	440,000	-	440,000
2206 SSFA Bosnia and Herzegovina (national consultants)	-	180,000		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	180,000		180,000
2207 SSFA Albania (national consultants and PCBs inventorying)	95,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	95,000	-	95,000
2208 SSFA Montenegro (national consultants)	224,000	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	224,000	-	224,000
2209 SSFA Morocco (national consultants and POPs inventorying)	20,000	19,200	-	-				-	-	-	-	-	39,200	-	39,200
SSFA capacity building/Mercury waster removal (EMP, Tunisia)		147,500		-									147,500	-	147,500
2210 PCA Plan Bleu - Thematic assessments Socio-economic/Driver TDA IW	-	-	-	-	250,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	250,000	250,000
2211 SSPA with 5 countries for the offshore monitoring stations	-				100 C		420,000	-						420,000	420,000
NEW BL SSFA with INFORAC									15,000	35,000			15,000	35,000	50,000
2212 SSFAs with 9 countries for national TDA IW	-	-		-	530,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	530,000	530,000
subtotal	503,600	801,100	275,000	500,000	821,100	-	420,000	-	15,000	35,000	-	-	2,094,700	1,276,100	3,370,800

### **Budget Revisions** per Component for Child Project 1.1 (GEF ID 9684) of the Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme)

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### **Budget Revisions** per Component for Child Project 1.1 (GEF ID 9684) of the Mediterranean Sea Programme (continued)

		6	omponent 1: Che	micals and Was	te	Co	omponent 2: Int	ernational Wate	rs	Compone	nt 3: M&E	PN	лс		Grand Total	
BUDGET RE	VISIONS (GEF ID 9684)	Output 1.1 POPs disposal	Output 1.2 Mercury disposal	Output 1.3 POPs prevention	Output 1.4 Mercury prevention	Output 2.1 Updated TDA	Output 2.2 Progress to impacts	Output 2.3 Offshore monitoring	Output 2.4 Data sharing policy	Chemicals and Waste (60%)	International Waters (40%)	Chemicals and waste	International waters	Chemicals and waste	International waters	Total Project Overall Budget
FT30_120 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES																
1201 Phase 1 POPs disp	osal	3,652,325	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,652,325	-	3,652,325
1202 Phase 2 POPs and		1,054,100	2,392,650	-	-	-			-					3,446,750		3,446,750
1205 POPs inventories -		78,650	-	-	-	-			-	-	1	-		78,650	-	78,650
	non [ELIMINATED; \$250k moved to 1201 Phase 1 POPs d	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-
	es to support national activities in Lebanon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	-			-	-
1217 Assessment Mont		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	ngt plan Kasserine Tunisia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1219 Mercury wastes re		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1221 Other Thematic as		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	fshore monitoring stations IW	4 705 777								-					-	
subtotal		4,785,075	2,392,650	-	-	-	-	-			-	-		7,177,725	-	7,177,725
FT30_160 TRAVEL																
1601 MedPCU travel to :		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	28,000
	staff and regional consultants	20,000	15,000	-	-	50,000	-	15,000	15,000		-	-		35,000	80,000	
	tity buidling workshops CW	227,000	-	-	-	-	-			-	-	-	-	227,000	-	227,000
1604 Workshops and m			-	-	-	60,000		150,000	150,000		-	-			360,000	360,000
1606 Gender site assess	sments travel and DSA	10,000	-	-		-	10,000		-	-		14.000		10,000 286.000	10,000	20,000
		257,000	15,000	-		110,000	10,000	165,000	165,000	-	-	14,000	14,000	286,000	464,000	750,000
FT30_135 EQUIPMENTS, VEHICLES	AND FURNITURE															
4201 Office equipment subtotal			-	-	-		-		-	20,000	16,000	-		20,000	16,000	36,000
										20,000	16,000			20,000	16,000	36,000
FT30_125 OPERATING AND OTHER																
3001 Knowledge manag		-	-	-	•	-	-	-	-	60,000	15,000	-	-	60,000	15,000	75,000
3002 Annual Stocktakin		-	-	-		-			-	60,000	40,000	-	-	60,000	40,000	100,000
3003 Steering Committe	applies, consumables, equipments	-	-	-		-		-	-	75,000	50,000	-		75,000	50,000	125,000
3004 Office premises, st 3005 Contribution to IW		-	-	-	-	-	-	-		20,000	10,000	-		20,000	10,000	30.000
3006 Publications - TDA	(LEARIN (176 IVV grants)		-	-		50.000	30.000		-	20,000	10,000	-		20,000	80,000	30,000
Other workshops/			-	-		150,000	30,000					-			150.000	150,000
3007 Midterm review (U						150,000								48,000	32,000	80,000
		-	-	-		-		-	-	-	-	-	-	· · · · ·		· · · · ·
3008 Terminal Evaluation	on (UNEP)	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,000	60,000	140,000
subtotal		-	-	-		200,000	30,000	-	-	215,000	115,000	-		343,000	437,000	780,000
			I													
TOTAL		5,595,500	3,385,180	546,820	809,500	1,463,250	162,250	697,250	277,250	250,000	166,000	535,000	142,000	11,250,000	3,000,000	14,250,000
		POPs	Mercury	Total CW	IW		TOTAL									
	Total available	6,250,000	5,000,000	11,250,000	3,000,000		14,250,000									
	Total budgeted above, see cells below	6,564,320	4,557,680	11,122,000	2,908,000		14,030,000									
	Component 1 (1.1 + 1.3)	6,142,320		6,142,320	-		6,142,320									
	Component 1 (1.2 + 1.4)		4,194,680	4,194,680			4,194,680									
	Component 2 (2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4)		7,107,080	4,134,080	2,600,000		2,600,000									
			-													
	M&E	125,000	125,000	250,000	166,000		416,000									
	РМС	297,000	238,000	535,000	142,000		677,000									
		4.74%	5.51%	5.05%	5.13%		5.09%									

### **Budget Variances per output for Child Project 1.1 (GEF ID 9684) of the Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme)**

		Budg	et Revision-Variance						1		
Project title:	Reducing Pollution fr	om Harmful Chemic	als and Wastes in Mediterrane	an Hotspots and Me	easuring Progress to Impa	acts (CP 1.1)					
Project number:	GEF ID 9684 - CP1.1	CW and IW - MedP	rogramme								
	REVISED BUDGET APR 2024		REVISED BUDGET October 2024			VARIAN	ICE	OVERALL T	ATION		
UNEP Budget Line	C1, C2, M&E Project Budget REVISED APR 2024	Project Management Cost REVISED	C1, C2, M&E Project Budget REVISED APR 2024	Project Management Cost REVISED	TOTAL Variance (Other Components)	TOTAL Variance (PMC)	TOTAL Variance % (Other Components)	TOTAL Variance % (PMC)	Budget Ammendment 1 - April 2024	Proposed Budget Ammendment 2 - October 2024	Difference
PERSONNEL COMPONENT											
1100 Project personnel											
1001 MedPCU - MedProgramme Coordinator (P4)	240,000	8,585	240,000	8,585	-	-	-	-	248,585	248,585	-
1002 MedPCU - Programme Officer CW (P3)	670,000	77,845	520,075	77,845	(149,925)	-	(22)	-	747,845	597,920	- 149,925
1009 MedPCU - Finance and Budget Officer (P2)	-	444,370	-	444,370	-		-	-	444,370	444,370	-
1003 MedPCU - Programme Financial Assistant (G5)	-	90,200	-	90,200	-	-	-	-	90,200	90,200	-
1004 MedPCU - Programme and Administration Assistant (G5)	-	28,000	-	28,000	-	-	-	-	28,000	28,000	-
1199 Sub-total	910,000	649,000	760,075	649,000	(149,925)		(22)		1,559,000	1,409,075	- 149,925
1200 Consultants											
1201 Regional consultants CW (capacity building / training)	42,500	-	42,500	-	-	-	-	-	42,500	42,500	-
1202 Regional consultants IW - TDA	470,000	-	428,900	-	(41,100)	-	-	-	470,000	428,900	- 41,100
1203 Regional Technical Experts/Consultants (CW - POPs)	230,000	-	83,580	-	(146,420)	-	(64)	-	230,000	83,580	- 146,420
1204 Tech support friom MED POL P4 (100% salary contribution from MTF)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1205 Regional Technical Experts/Consultants (CW - Hg)	130,000	-	130,000		0	-	0	-	130,000	130,000	-
1206 Gender Specialist	20,000	-	21,420	-	1,420	-	7	-	20,000	21,420	1,420
1207 National consultants to support POPs disposal activities (Lebanon)	20,000	-	20,000	-	-	-	-	-	20,000	20,000	-
1299 Sub-total	912,500	-	726,400	-	(186,100)	-	(57)	-	912,500	726,400	- 186,100
1300 Administrative Support											
1399 Sub-total											
TRAVEL COMPONENT											
1600 Travel on official business											
1601 MedPCU travel to support the project	-	28,000	-	28,000	-	-	-	-	28,000	28,000	-
1602 MED POL technical staff and regional consultants	115,000	-	115,000	-	-	-	-	-	115,000	115,000	-
1603 Participants capacity builling workshops CW	495,000	-	227,000	-	(268,000)	-	(54.14)	-	495,000	227,000	- 268,000
1604 Workshops and meetings IW	360,000	-	360,000		-	-	-	-	360,000	360,000	-
1606 Gender site assessments travel and DSA	20,000	-	20,000		-	-	-	-	20,000	20,000	-
1699 Sub-total	990,000	28,000	722,000	28,000		-	(54)	-	1,018,000	750,000	- 268,000
1999 Component total	2,812,500	677,000	2,208,475	677,000	(604,025)		(133)		3,489,500	2,885,475	- 604,025

### **Budget Variances per output for Child Project 1.1 (GEF ID 9684) of the Mediterranean Sea Programme (***continued***)**

		Budg	et Revision-Variance								
Project title:	Reducing Pollution fr	om Harmful Chemic	als and Wastes in Mediterrane	an Hotspots and Me	asuring Progress to Impa	cts (CP 1.1)					
Project number:	GEF ID 9684 - CP1.1	CW and IW - MedP	rogramme								
	REVISED BUDO	ET APR 2024 REVISED BUDGET October 2024		tober 2024			OVERALL TOTAL BUDGET ALLOCATION				
UNEP Budget Line	C1, C2, M&E Project Budget REVISED APR 2024	Project Management Cost REVISED	C1, C2, M&E Project Budget REVISED APR 2024	Project Management Cost REVISED	TOTAL Variance (Other Components)	TOTAL Variance (PMC)	TOTAL Variance % (Other Components)	TOTAL Variance % (PMC)	Budget Ammendment 1 - April 2024	Proposed Budget Ammendment 2 - October 2024	Difference
SUB-CONTRACT COMPONENT											
2200 Sub-contracts (MOUs/LOAs for supporting organizations)											
2201 SCPRAC - POPs prevention (assessment, training/awareness) and mercury prevention pilots	775,000	-	775,000	-	-	-	-	-	775,000	775,000	-
2202 SSFA with MapX for visualization and assessment of inventories - Grid Geneva	20,000	-	61,100	-	41,100	-	-	-	20,000	61,100	41,100
2203 SSFA Algeria (national consultants and PCBs inventorying)	195,000	-	159,000	-	(36,000)	-	(18)	-	195,000	159,000	- 36,000
SSFA Lebanon (national consultants) [ELIMINATED; \$60k moved to 1201 2204 Phase 1 POPs disp.; \$10k moved to consultants; \$10k moved to contractual services]	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
2205 SSFA Tunisia (national consultants and POPs inventorying)	448,400	-	440,000	-	(8,400)	-	(2)	-	448,400	440,000	- 8,400
2206 SSFA Bosnia and Herzegovina (national consultants)	180,000	-	180,000	-	-	-	-	-	180,000	180,000	-
2207 SSFA Albania (national consultants and PCBs inventorying)	95,000	-	95,000	-	-	-	-	-	95,000	95,000	-
2208 SSFA Montenegro (national consultants)	224,000	-	224,000	-	-	-	-	-	224,000	224,000	-
2209 SSFA Morocco (national consultants and POPs inventorying)	39,200	-	39,200	-	-	-	-	-	39,200	39,200	-
NEW SSFA capacity building/Mercury waster removal (EMP, Tunisia)	147,500	-	147,500	-	-	-	-	-	147,500	147,500	
2210 PCA Plan Bleu - Thematic assessments Socio-economic/Driver TDA IW	250,000	-	250,000	-	-	-	-	-	250,000	250,000	-
NEW SSFA - INFORAC	-	-	50,000	-	50,000		0		-	50,000	50,000
2211 SSFA with 5 countries for the offshore monitoring stations	200,000	-	420,000	-	220,000	-	110	-	200,000	420,000	220,000
2212 SSFAs with 9 countries for national TDA IW	530,000	-	530,000	-	-	-	-	-	530,000	530,000	-
2299 Sub-total	3,104,100	-	3,370,800	-	266,700	-	90	-	3,104,100	3,370,800	266,700
2300 Sub-contracts											
2301 Phase 1 POPs disposal	3,110,000	-	3,652,325	-	542,325	0	17	-	3,110,000	3,652,325	542,325
2302 Phase 2 POPs and mercury disposal	3,261,750	-	3,446,750	-	185,000	C	<mark>)</mark> 6	-	3,261,750	3,446,750	185,000
2303 POPs inventories - lab analyses	78,650	-	78,650	-		-	-	-	78,650	78,650	-
2304 Remediation Lebanon [ELIMINATED; \$250k moved to 1201 Phase 1 POP disp.]	s -	-		-	-	-	-	-	-		-
2305 Contractual services to support national activities in Lebanon	-	-		-		-	-	-			-
2306 Assessment Montenegro	120,000	-	-	-	(120,000)	-	(100)	-	120,000	-	- 120,000
2307 Assesment and mngt plan Kasserine Tunisia	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2308 Mercury wastes removal EIAs	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2309 Other Thematic assessments TDA IW	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2310 Equipment pilot offshore monitoring stations IW	220,000	-		-	(220,000)	-	(100)	-	220,000	-	- 220,000
2399 Sub-total	6,790,400	-	7,177,725	-	387,325		(177)	-	6,790,400	7,177,725	387,325
2999 Component total	9,894,500	-	10,548,525	-	654,025	-	(87)	-	9,894,500	10,548,525	654,025

### **Budget Variances per output for Child Project 1.1 (GEF ID 9684) of the Mediterranean Sea Programme (***continued***)**

		Budg	get Revision-Variance								
Project title:	Reducing Pollution fr	om Harmful Chemic	cals and Wastes in Mediterrane	an Hotspots and Me	asuring Progress to Impac	ts (CP 1.1)					
Project number:	GEF ID 9684 - CP1.1	CW and IW - MedP	rogramme								
	REVISED BUDG	ET APR 2024	REVISED BUDGET Oct	REVISED BUDGET October 2024		VARIAN	ICE	OVERALL TOTAL BUDGET ALLOCATION			
UNEP Budget Line	C1, C2, M&E Project Budget REVISED APR 2024	Project Management Cost REVISED	C1, C2, M&E Project Budget REVISED APR 2024	Project Management Cost REVISED	TOTAL Variance (Other Components)	TOTAL Variance (PMC)	TOTAL Variance % (Other Components)		Budget Ammendment 1 - April 2024	Proposed Budget Ammendment 2 - October 2024	Difference
TRAINING COMPONENT											
3300 Meetings/Conferences											
3399 Sub-total											
3999 Component total									-		
EQUIPMENT AND PREMISES COMPONENT											
4200 Equipment, Vehicles and Furniture											
4201 Office equipment	36,000	-	36,000	-	-	-	-	-	36,000	36,000	-
4299 Sub-total	36,000	-	36,000	-	-		-	-	36,000	36,000	-
4999 Component total	36,000	-	36,000	-	-		-	-	36,000	36,000	-
MISCELLANEOUS COMPONENT											
5100 Operational Costs											
3001 Knowledge management strategy	125,000	-	75,000	-	(50,000)	-	(40		125,000	75,000	- 50,000
3002 Annual Stocktaking meeting	100,000	-	100,000	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	100,000	
3003 Steering Committee for CP 1.1	125,000	-	125,000	-	-	-	-	-	125,000	125,000	
3004 Office premises, supplies, consumables, equipments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3005 Contribution to IW:LEARN (1% IW grants)	30,000	-	30,000	-	-	-	-	-	30,000	30,000	
3006 Publications - TDA	80,000	-	80,000	-	-	-	-	-	80,000	80,000	
Other workshops/meetings	150,000	-	150,000	-	-	-	-	-	150,000	150,000	
5299 Sub-total	610,000	-	560,000	-	- 50,000	•	- 40	-	610,000	560,000	- 50,000
5500 Evaluation											
5501 Mid-Term Evaluation	80,000	-	80,000	-	-	-	-	-	80,000	80,000	
5502 Terminal Evaluation	140,000	-	140,000	-	-	-	-	-	140,000	140,000	
5599 Sub-total	220,000	-	220,000	-	-		-	-	220,000	220,000	
5999 Component total	830,000	-	780,000	-	- 50,000	-	- 40	-	830,000	780,000	- 50,000
GRAND TOTAL	13,573,000	677,000	13,573,000	677,000	-	-	(260)	) 0	14,250,000	14,250,000	-