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Subject	UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Membership		

Dear Sir/Madam,

Through this letter, TAUW bv, an international consultancy firm based in Europe, wishes to express its interest in joining the Global Mercury Partnership. TAUW supports the goal of the Partnership in protecting Human health and the global environment from the release of mercury and it's compounds by minimizing and, where feasible, ultimately eliminating anthropogenic mercury releases to air, water and land.

TAUW has a large number of experts, knowledgeable in soil, groundwater and contaminated building materials. In these fields we work for both the chemical industry as (inter)governmental organizations. TAUW can contribute to the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership in a number of ways;

- Through our Foundation where are supporting projects for the small scale remediation of ASGM sites in Indonesia. This project is funded from our own resources and the results will be shared on an open platform and with the
- Through our work with many of the large industrial clients in decommissioning of mercury cell Chloralkali facilities, we can bring knowledge to the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership in the sustainable management of mercury contaminated sites
- Through our network with both industry and governments

We hope you can accept the admission of TAUW to the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership and look forward to playing an active role.

Yours sincerely,



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Appendix 1 Registration form



UNEP GLOBAL MERCURY PARTNERSHIP

Yellowfin Tuna, Courtesy NOAA Fisheries, © Photo by Jeff Muir

INFORMATION ON BECOMING A PARTNER

This information sheet provides an overview of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Global Mercury Partnership for prospective partners. Further information is available at:

web.unep.org/globalmercurypartnership

GOAL OF THE PARTNERSHIP

The overall goal of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership is to protect human health and the global environment from the release of mercury and its compounds by minimizing and, where feasible, ultimately eliminating global, anthropogenic mercury releases to air, water and land.

PARTNERSHIP AREAS

The UNEP Global Mercury Partnership is a voluntary and collaborative relationship between various parties, governmental, non-governmental, public and private, in which all participants agree to work together in a systematic way to achieve its goal.

Initiated in 2005¹, the Partnership today focuses its work on supporting timely and effective implementation of the Minamata Convention on Mercury; on providing state of the art knowledge and science on mercury; and on delivering outreach and awareness raising towards global action on mercury.

¹ UNEP Governing Council Decision 23/9

The Partnership is structured around eight areas:

- Artisanal and small-scale gold mining
- Mercury cell chlor-alkali production
- Mercury air transport and fate research
- Mercury in products
- Mercury releases from coal combustion
- Mercury waste management
- Mercury supply and storage
- Mercury releases from the cement industry

OUR PARTNERS

Over 200 partners from governments, IGOs, NGOs, private sector and academic institutions:

- Support the overall goal of the Partnership.
- Contribute resources or expertise to the development and implementation of Partnership activities.
- Network with other organizations, agencies, entities and individuals addressing mercury issues.

BECOMING A PARTNER

To become a partner, interested entities or individuals should submit a letter to UNEP signifying their support for the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership and their commitment to achieving its goal. The letter should also specify how they will contribute to meeting the goal of the Partnership.

Together with this letter, UNEP requests interested entities or individuals to also complete and submit the registration form (see reverse). Participation in the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership will be confirmed by UNEP. Partners' letters of support will be made public through the UNEP's website.

SUPPORT LETTER AND REGISTRATION FORM SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:

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