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Référence : Adhésion au Global Mercury Partnership

Madame, Monsieur,

La Melanin Foundation tient à exprimer sa gratitude pour l'invitation du PNUE à participer à sa conférence du 14 au 15 Février 2023 sur le thème "Élimination du mercure que contiennent les produits de blanchiment de la peau". Nous souhaitons annoncer notre soutien au Partenariat mondial sur le mercure du PNUE et à la mise en œuvre de la Convention de Minamata.

La Melanin Foundation se consacre à lutter contre l'utilisation des produits de dépigmentation de la peau et d'informer les populations sur ses effets néfastes. Nos experts ont plus de 20 ans d'expérience dans le domaine et sont membres d'un groupe d'experts Suisses de la santé publique. Nous accomplissons cela en organisant des ateliers sur les effets physiologiques, psychologiques et sociaux de ces produits sur les communautés.

Bien que l'utilisation du mercure dans les produits cosmétiques soit interdite en Europe depuis 1971 et aux États-Unis depuis 1991, de nombreux produits contenant du mercure sont aujourd'hui facilement disponibles sur le marché mondial. Cela est un véritable fléau contre la santé publique car ce minéral se dépose principalement dans les reins et entraîne de graves complications de santé aux consommateurs.

Nous demandons humblement à rejoindre le Partenariat mondial sur le mercure du PNUE, car nous sommes pleinement engagés dans la réalisation de ses objectifs. Nous souhaitons apporter notre expertise et vous soutenir en :

- promouvant vos objectifs dans les publications et les médias
- organisant des ateliers dans les écoles et les universités
- lançant des campagnes locales d'information et de formation auprès des populations concernées

Nous vous remercions de votre temps et de votre considération, et nous nous réjouissons de travailler avec vous. Pour plus d'informations sur nos projets, veuillez consulter le site <https://melaninfoundation.org>.

Veuillez recevoir mes salutations distinguées.

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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:

www.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 releases 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 240 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.

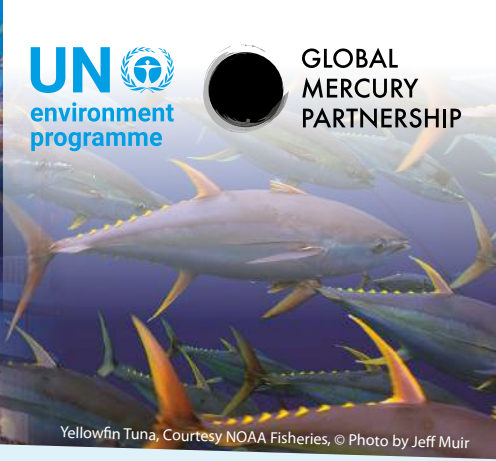
SUPPORT LETTER AND REGISTRATION FORM SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:

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PARTNERSHIP AREAS

Please check the partnership area(s) to which your organization intends to contribute to:

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

> Please specify in your support letter how your organization intends to contribute to each of the selected partnership area(s).

ORGANIZATION APPLYING TO BECOME A PARTNER

Name of Organization:

Type of Organization:

- Government
- Intergovernmental Organization
- Non-governmental Organization

- Industry
- Academia
- Other, please specify

Mailing Address:

Postcode: City: Country:

E-mail:

Telephone: Website:

ORGANIZATION'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNEP GLOBAL MERCURY PARTNERSHIP

Mr. Ms.

First Name: Last Name:

Functional Title:

Section / Department:

E-mail:

* UNEP Global Mercury Partnership registration forms are to be accompanied by a letter to UNEP signifying support for the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership and commitment to achieving its goal. The support letter should specify how the organization intends to contribute to meeting the goal of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership. Please submit the support letter and registration form to:

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