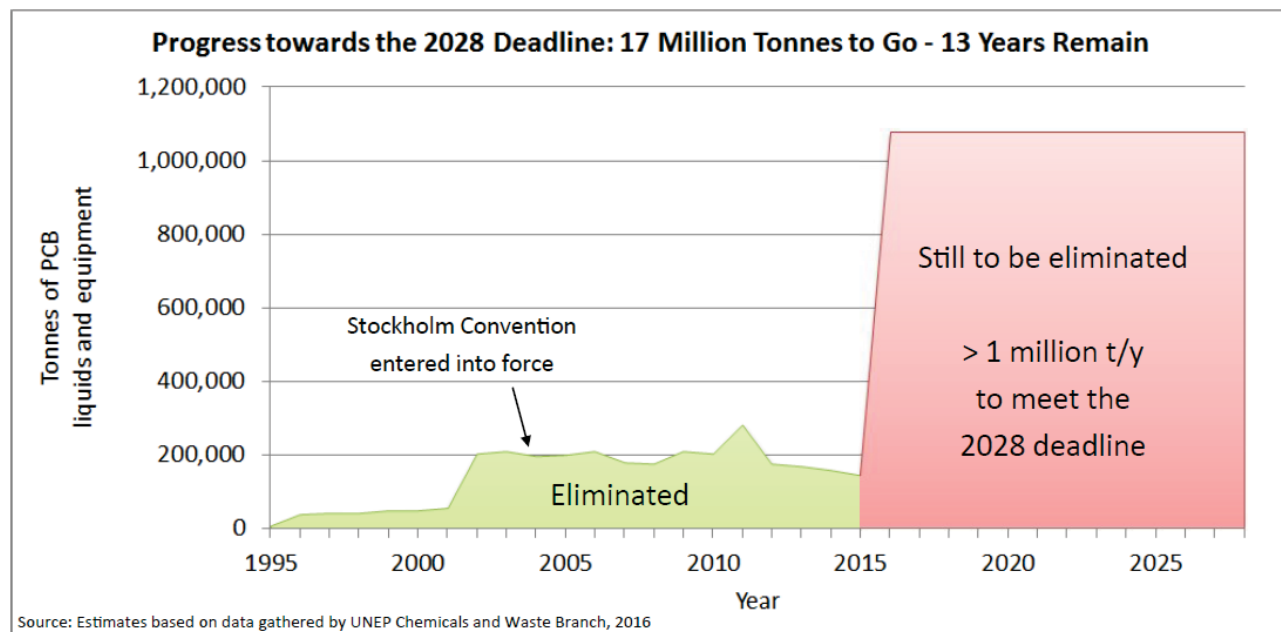


The consolidated assessment:

- In cooperation with the Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB) Elimination Network (PEN) Advisory Committee and the BRS Secretariat, UNEP Chemicals and Waste Branch developed an assessment of the progress made in eliminating equipment PCB
- The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) obliges Parties to phase out the use of PCB by 2025 and ensure the environmentally sound management by 2028

Key findings

- It is estimated that ca. 4 million tonnes of equipment and material containing or contaminated with PCB have been eliminated to date—meanwhile, ca. 14 million tonnes remain to be disposed. This is more than 80% of the total.



Conclusions and Recommendations:

- There is a severe lack of information; complete and accurate inventories are critical
- Open applications and contaminated sites have so far not received sufficient attention
- Parties are currently not on track to meet the 2028 deadline
- There is an urgent need for the mobilization of additional human and financial resources