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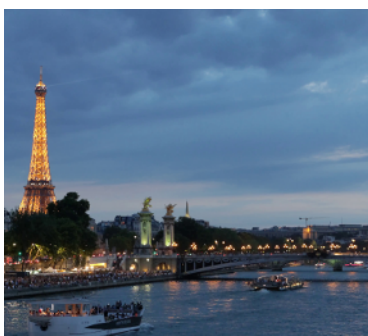
### Latest news from the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership – November 2022

In this edition, learn about recent and upcoming events, latest mercury-related publications and initiatives, and meet our new members. Good reading!

The Secretariat of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership

## HIGHLIGHTS

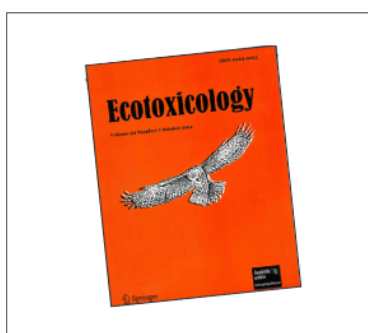
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**The Thirteenth Meeting of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Advisory Group (PAG-13)** will meet on 9 and 10 November, in Paris, France and online, back-to-back with the OECD Global Forum on Environment. PAG-13 will exchange on recent activities and priorities for future work on cross-cutting issues. Deadline for registration: 4 November. [More info here](#).



**The OECD Global Forum on Environment** on 7 and 8 November will be dedicated to [Working towards the elimination of mercury and reducing its harmful impacts on human health and the environment](#), with a focus on promoting effective engagement, collaboration and action to eliminate or reduce mercury from the supply chain.



**Call for submissions on Mercury in Ecotoxicology:** As part of the investigative synthesis on spatiotemporal patterns of mercury exposure and methylmercury effect on biota, the Area of Work on Mercury Air Transport and Fate Research invites relevant resources on taxa groups, geographic areas, or biomes. [Click here for further information and contact details](#).



**invited to participate in a "Proficiency Testing"** under the "Project for promoting the Minamata Convention on Mercury by making the most of Japan's knowledge and experiences". Details on how to participate and results of the first round of laboratory testing on the [project page](#).



**Minamata Online session: How mercury science can drive policy towards mercury-free ASGM?** will be held on 2 November. The session intends to explore scientific options for driving policy towards mercury-free ASGM, including through recently developed resources on the topic. [More information and registration](#).



Photographers from all over the world are [invited to participate](#) in the **#MakeMercuryHistory Photo Contest** and raise awareness on the ongoing global concern of toxic mercury. Deadline: 31 December 2022.

## RECENT EVENTS

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**Minamata Initial Assessments (MIA): Latest trends, key findings and data analysis tools webinar** on 27 September featured presentations on initial analysis of aggregated data from the current 74 MIA countries, as well as efforts to further strengthen the mass balance approach and default factors of the UNEP Mercury Inventory Toolkit. [Watch webinar recording](#).



**Mercury Waste Management Partnership Area** held its [annual meeting](#) on 20 September, in Singapore, back-to-back with the International Solid Waste Association World Congress. The meeting discussed workplans of working groups and explored options for collaboration with other areas of the Partnership.

9H-10H00 / 17H-18H00

## Technical guidelines on mercury waste management

### [Guidelines on Mercury Waste Management](#)

were held on 5 October featuring presentations of the updated technical guidelines for the environmentally sound management of mercury waste as well as an overview of activities under the Partnership Area on Mercury Waste Management.



Watch the recording of the webinar "[Clean Lighting: How States Can Cut Mercury Pollution, Protect the Climate, and Reduce Utility Bills by Phasing Out Fluorescent Bulbs](#)" organized on 24 October by Appliances Standards Awareness Project, partner of the Clean Lighting Coalition.

## LATEST RESOURCES

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Explore qualitative and quantitative information and get further insights on [ASGM National Action Plan](#) through new [interactive dashboards](#).



Watch the [webinar recording and read presentations](#) of [Technical information-sharing session on best practices to reduce mercury emissions from the cement industry](#) held on 23 June.



Check-out the [debate on the ASGM sector in Costa Rica](#), on 5 October, featuring an overview from NAP Focal Point Maria Del Mar Solano Trejos on the practices in the ASGM sector, as well as objectives and content of the National Action Plan developed in the framework of the Minamata Convention.

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