



## **Guidance to assist Parties in developing efficient strategies for achieving the prevention and minimization of the generation of hazardous and other wastes and their disposal**

"Review and discuss the responses of government officials on their applicability"  
**23-24 February 2019 , Alexandria, Egypt**

### **Provisional Agenda**

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Organizational matters, objectives and structure of the meeting
3. Cartagena Declaration on the Prevention, Minimization and Recovery of Hazardous Wastes and Other Wastes
4. Presentation of the guidance document to assist Parties in developing effective strategies to achieve prevention of the generation and disposal of hazardous and other wastes.
5. Presentation of the project entitled "Testing and verifying the applicability of guidance to assist Parties in developing effective strategies to achieve prevention, minimization and elimination of hazardous wastes and other wastes"
  - 5-a. Project goals
  - 5-b. Activities to be implemented:
    - Develop a questionnaire to test whether guidance is understandable and usable and assess national positions in selected Basel Convention Parties in the region, in accordance with the guidelines
    - Conducting a questionnaire among officials at selected Basel Convention Parties in the region
    - Held a two-day regional workshop on introduction and discussion of guidance and comments from government officials from the region on their applicability to use to assist selected Parties in the region to develop and reduce their waste prevention strategies
  - 5-c. Expected results to be achieved / start and finish dates for implementation of activities
6. Presentation of the results of the responses received from the Arab States on the questionnaire on guidelines
7. Presentation of Arab countries' proposals on measures and strategies applied at the national level to reduce and reduce the generation of hazardous and other wastes (Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Lybia, Morocco, Oman, Sudan, Somalia, Saudi Arabia, Palestine, Tunisia, Yemen)
8. Distribution of working groups to review and discuss the questionnaire and prepare responses to specific questions from the questionnaire
9. An open discussion to present the results of the work and the extent to which the guidelines and their applicability can be used in Arab countries
10. Closing and presenting the final report