

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

for

**Technical Assistance with the Project Preparation Grant (PPG) Stage of a
Regional Chemicals and Waste Project**

Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Caribbean

Trinidad and Tobago

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Background Information

The BCRC-Caribbean needs to secure the services individuals/firms to support **the development of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) PPG** for a potential chemicals and waste project currently being developed for the Caribbean Region.

The project concept has been developed in consultations with countries and regional partners over the past ten (10) months. The Programme Framework Document (PFD) is currently being reviewed by Global Environment Facility (GEF) Council for inclusion in the June 2019 Work Programme. The next step is the 18-month PPG stage where the regional/national project concepts are to be developed and submitted for GEF CEO Endorsement. The projects will be developed based on a combination of national level activities aimed at addressing national priorities and focussed on improving management of certain wastes with the involvement of the government, civil society and the private sector.

The programme's overarching objective is to support SIDS to enter into a safe chemical development pathway through strengthening their ability to control the flow of chemicals, products, materials into their territories and to unlock resources for long term management of chemicals and waste including integrated chemicals and waste management in SIDS. The programme is based on the following four (4) components common to the Caribbean, Indian Ocean and Pacific regions:

- Component 1: Preventing future build-up of chemicals in the SIDS environment;
- Component 2: Safe management and disposal of existing, historically produced wastes posing an immediate risk to people and natural resources;
- Component 3: Promoting systems for future management of wastes and chemicals entering SIDS by adopting and putting into practice 4R approaches including increased recovery of resources from wastes by adopting the principles of sustainable consumption and production;
- Component 4: Sharing knowledge and experience across all regions to address issues common to all SIDS and to stimulate inter regional cooperation to combat major global level challenges posed by wastes such as plastics, electronics and other major pollutants.

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