

2005 SUB-REGIONAL GREEN CUSTOMS INITIATIVE WORKSHOP

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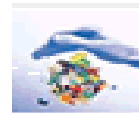
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1 BACKGROUND

Environmental crime is a big and increasingly lucrative business – a multi-billion dollar global enterprise. Illegal international trade in “environmentally-sensitive” commodities such as Ozone Depleting Substances (ODSs), toxic chemicals, hazardous wastes and endangered species is an international problem with serious consequences: it directly threatens human health and the environment, contributes to species loss, and results in revenue loss for governments.

Another serious effect of illegal trade in environmentally sensitive commodities is that it also seriously undermines the effectiveness of Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) by circumventing rules and procedures agreed in international treaties.

National and international regimes for integrated chemical management rely on customs to monitor and control flows of regulated chemicals at borders¹. International agreements related to chemical management often restrict the national supply and demand of specific chemicals and some set incentives for phase out of the most harmful substances. If illegal trade in these chemicals occurs, the incentives set by the MEAs for control and phase out of chemicals are considerably weakened. In those countries, which have the appropriate laws or policies already in place, the national customs authorities must have the capacity to monitor and control the flow of chemicals and goods covered by MEAs.

However, customs agencies operating in isolation are not sufficient. At the national level, customs is but one element of a “compliance and enforcement chain” that includes:

- Clear and enforceable legislation,
- Authority equipped with an institutional set up (skilled experts in this field) for MEA implementation,
- Monitoring detection and seizure of illegal shipments by customs agencies,
- Prosecution of criminal cases involving such shipments by prosecuting attorneys,
- Appropriate sentencing by the judiciary.

Stakeholders will face difficulties in phasing out their consumption of environmentally sensitive commodities, without;

- Enacting of enforceable legislations,
- Competent authorities who update them about obligations of MEAs and provide customs authorities with proper technical and policy advice,
- Effective detection and seizure by customs,
- Deterrent punishment to those who have attempted to abuse the legislations.

All five individual links in this chain must be strong in order to achieve our goal of phasing out consumption of environmentally sensitive commodities and to succeed as a whole. In many developing countries these key players suffer from either weakness

¹ This also applies to international regimes protecting endangered species.

or lack linkages amongst themselves (for example; without enacting enforceable legislations, lack of training of customs officers, legal advisors etc.). As a result this encourages illegal trade that is difficult to control, which in turn makes it difficult to be in compliance with these MEAs.

The Green Customs Initiative aims at strengthening compliance and enforcement of MEAs through integrated capacity building for customs officers within the MEA enforcement chain. It plans to provide customs officers with training that covers several MEAs at the same time, making it more efficient than separate training on individual agreements.

2 OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP

The main aim of this meeting, organized by UNEP (ROAP, DTIE & DEC), and OPCW was to gather the key stakeholders (customs officers, customs training institutes, MEA national focal points, judges, prosecutors) of MEAs from 8 countries in the Asia region to enable them to familiarize themselves with the MEAs (Montreal Protocol, Rotterdam, Stockholm, Basel and CITES) and discuss face-to-face the concerned issues, as well as to identify the role of each stakeholder in order to facilitate achieving compliance with the relevant MEAs.

The workshop thus aimed at:

- Creating awareness amongst customs officers on their role in enforcing MEAs
- Presenting the trade aspects of each of these MEAs and the impact on customs officers
- Presenting the existing international setting for MEA enforcement (including MEA secretariats)
- Highlighting interlinkages and possible synergies in enforcement of the various MEAs
- Encouraging bilateral and regional dialogues on trade practices related to MEAs
- Presenting available resources for customs administration on MEA enforcement issues, particularly amongst international organizations involved in these issues
- Testing the Green Customs Manual being developed by the partners so that it can be adapted to the training needs of the national customs administration
- Encouraging creation of links at the national level between key MEA enforcement stakeholders: customs officers, customs training institutes, MEA national focal points, judges, prosecutors
- Discussing possibilities and relevance of expanding the training to focus also on judges and prosecutors in the next phase of work
- Preparing a second phase in which the generic training manual will be adapted to national training needs.

3 PARTNERS

International Partners

The following international organizations co-operated in the preparation of the workshop:

- Chemical Weapons Convention (OPCW)
- The World Customs Organization (WCO)
- Secretariats of the following MEAs:
 - o Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for certain hazardous chemicals and pesticides in international trade.
 - o Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna (CITES)
- U.S. Department of State
- Divisions of the United Nations Environment Programme
 - o Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (UNEP ROAP):
 - o Division of Technology, Industry and Economics (UNEP DTIE)
 - o Division of Environmental Conventions (UNEP DEC)

Regional Partners

The following regional organizations co-operated in the preparation of the workshop:

- WCO Asia Pacific Regional Office for Capacity Building (ROCB)
- IUCN Country Office Nepal
- Interpol Asia
- Asia-Pacific Regional Centre for Hazardous Waste Management Training and Technology Transfer (Basel Convention Regional Centre in China)

National Partners

The following national agencies co-operated in the preparation of the workshop:

- National Environment & Commission, The Royal Government of Bhutan
- Department of Revenue & Customs, The Royal Government of Bhutan

4 METHODOLOGY

The meeting was organized over a period of four days in order to give enough time for all concerned to express their experiences, visions and accomplishments, to discuss with relevant secretariats and agencies, future action plans and also facilitate the enforcement of regional legislations relevant to MEAs, as well as to curb illegal trade on a regional level by cooperating with relevant authorities and organizations.

In order to achieve these objectives, the meeting followed the agenda previously prepared by the Compliance Assistance Programme (CAP) of ROAP in consultation with all resource persons (Annex 1).

All presentations and related documents addressed during the meeting were distributed to the participants in both hard copy and soft copy format.

Alls participants, including resource persons were requested to fill in an evaluation questionnaire on the proceedings of the workshop and the usefulness of the Green Customs Training Manual.

Local media, including television and newspapers, covered the meeting.

5 PARTICIPANTS

The meeting was inaugurated under the patronage of H. E. Wangdi Norbu, Minister, Ministry of Finance, Royal Government of Bhutan. The opening ceremony was attended by high-level officials of the National Environment Commission and the Department of Revenue & Customs and welcome notes given by Mr. Sonam Yangley, Director, National Environment Commission, the Royal Government of Bhutan and Mr. Rajendra Shende, Head Ozone Action Programme, Division of Technology, Industry and Economics, United Nations Environment Programme.

Eight countries in the Asia Region participated in the workshop: Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Thailand. Each country was requested to nominate three participants, one law or environmental officer from the Environment Department and 2 representatives from the Customs Department, preferably with one officer working at the Airport and another officer working at the Border. For Bhutan, two additional participants being a Prosecutor and a Judge were invited to the workshop. Bhutan also sent several observers from National Environment Commission and Department of Revenue & Customs.

Resource persons came from the relevant organizations, including the Chemical Weapons Convention (OPCW), World Customs Organization (WCO), WCO Asia Pacific Regional Office for Capacity Building (ROCB), Basel Convention Regional Centre in China, Interpol Asia, IUCN Nepal, and U.S. Department of State – in addition to UNEP.

6 EXPECTED OUTCOME

The workshop aimed at achieving the following:

- Training of customs officers and other national stakeholders leading to a greater awareness of MEA issues, available resources and contacts at national and international levels.
- Synergies created between international, regional and national stakeholders (especially customs) on the implementation of trade regulations of MEAs
- Bilateral, sub-regional and regional dialogues created on combating illegal trade in environmentally-sensitive commodities
- Feedback received on Green Customs Manual and integrated for a final result, which could be adapted to national needs.

7 KEY ISSUES CONCLUDED

Following were the conclusions of the workshop based on the discussions in the working groups, and following the presentations.

Cooperation: should be promoted both at the national and regional level:

- **National Cooperation**
 - Between national government agencies
 - Clustering of some Conventions when drafting Laws / Regulations may be considered
 - Need for high level political awareness, at Ministerial level and Parliamentarians
- **Regional Cooperation**
 - The ongoing regional coordination between ozone officers and customs officers in the South Asia and SEAP regional enforcement network as part of a Swedish bilateral project under the Multilateral Fund of the Montreal protocol is a good example that could be extended to include other MEAs. It includes a Customs officers network, exchange of information, and cooperation during investigation with colleagues in the Region
 - The Lusaka Agreement (CITES) is a good example of the Regional implementation in Africa of the CITES Convention. Similar Agreements in the Region and integration could be considered
 - Work with the Coalition against Wildlife Trafficking
 - INECE recently started a Regional network started in SEA/SA
- **Cooperation with International Organisations**
 - Making use the tools made available by WCO (HS codes); WCO RILO AP (CEN / environmental goods project) and Interpol (Ecomessage)
 - Such co-operation works both ways. National use of tools indicates importance of environmental crime to the Organisation, which may aim at increasing resources

Training: is vital for ensuring that all stakeholders can fully exercise control

- **Covering the full enforcement chain**
 - Include in and coordinate with existing programmes, e.g. the UNEP Judges Initiative
 - The Government of Nepal & IUCN proposed a national training programme for Customs, Judges, and Law Officers for 2006
- **Regional Centres of Excellence**

- o WCO Regional Training Centers could include a Green Customs training module into their curriculum

Immediate follow-up on the workshop: it is important for participants to follow-up on the training received when going back to the country

- **Country Participants**

- o Inform your colleagues: Discuss how it affects your work, what tools are missing to perform
- o Transfer the message to the central administration, including the tools you need
- o Use the materials in national training: Green Customs Partners can assist you in adapting the training materials to your national needs
- o Develop Case studies: Smuggling techniques, lessons learned, best practices
- o Before we meet again: Inform us on how to use existing mechanisms such as CEN, CAP, ..., communicate with the Green Customs Initiative for improvements, ask Questions and give suggestions

- **Organisers**

- o Raise awareness within the customs region
- o Improve the training materials
- o Identify Regional Centres of Excellence to make Green Customs sustainable at national level
- o Improve tools (e.g. HS codes matrix, Customs Quick Tool, website, e-learning...)
- o Improve cooperation between partners
- o Avoid duplication in activities

8 RECOMMENDATIONS EMERGING FROM THE QUESTIONNAIRES

The evaluation questionnaires allowed room for participants to make suggestions for improvement. A summary of recommendations:

1. Laboratory personnel working in the customs department and/or other research institutions should be included as participants in Green Customs Workshops.
2. More information such as a list of manufacturers of ODS, non-ODS and more information about chemicals covered by the MEAs should be added to the Green Customs training manual to familiarize customs officers without a scientific background with the substances under control.
3. Encourage the establishment of a practical linkage between environment officers and customs officers, linkage and coordination with MEAs
4. Establishment of a focal point in each country and for each MEA to facilitate exchange of information.

5. Implementation of a pilot project.
6. Create a follow-up communication system between local authorities and MEA secretariats.
7. The Bio-safety agreement should be included in the Green Customs Initiative.
8. HS codes for every chemical being under control by any MEA should be included in the Green Customs Training Manual.
9. A long-term programme should be implemented to support the concept of Green Customs.
10. Capacity building of customs should take into account the situation in Asian Countries.
11. Include reference articles names, sources, useful website and court decisions in the Green Customs Training Manual.
12. Cases studies and role-playing activities should be applied in the workshop.
13. More training to law enforcement officer, legal frame work for environmental protection, should be included in future work-programmes.
14. Implementation of environmental cases convergence of conventions.
15. Training material should be supplied 1 or 2 weeks earlier for pre-reading / studying.
16. More time should be provided for the working group session.

ANNEX 1: AGENDA

Agenda Green Customs Workshop 29 October – 1 November, Thimphu, Bhutan	
Friday 28 October 2005	
18.00 – 18.30	Briefing for Session Chairs
18:00 – 19:00	Registration of Participants
Saturday 29 October 2005	
Inaugural Session 08:45 – 09.45	OPENING OF THE REGIONAL WORKSHOP <u>Master of Ceremony: Mr. Ritu Raj, Bhutan</u> Traditional Bhutan Ceremony Welcome Address <i>Mr. Sonam Yangle, Director National Environment Commission (NEC)</i> Opening remarks <i>Mr. Rajendra Shende, Chief, OzonAction Programme, UNEP</i> Address by the Chief Guest, Bhutan <i>H.E. Wangdi Norbu, Minister, Ministry of Finance, Bhutan</i>
09.45 – 10.45	Briefing of the Media TEA / COFFEE BREAK <i>Showing of video: Combating the Illegal Trade in Ozone Depleting Substance: A Guide for Enforcement Officers</i>
10.45 – 11:00	Introduction of Participants
Session 1 11:00 – 12:00	INTRODUCTION TO THE GREEN CUSTOMS INITIATIVE <u>Chaired by Mr. Sonam Dorji, Bhutan</u> Objectives and Approach of the Workshop <i>Ms. Ludgarde Coppens, Policy & Enforcement Officer, UNEP-ROAP</i> Green Customs: Coordinated Method of Capacity Building <i>Mr. Rajendra Shende, UNEP</i> Q&A – Discussion
12.00 – 13.30	LUNCH BREAK

<p>Session 2 13.30 – 15.00</p>	<p>Country presentation by Bangladesh (10 Minutes) COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF MEAs <i>Chaired by Ms. Ludgarde Coppens, UNEP</i> Overview of the UNEP guidelines and manual on compliance with and enforcement of MEAs <i>Mr. Carl Bruch, Legal Officer, UNEP</i> Status of Ratification, <i>Paper with status of ratification will be circulated</i> Q&A - Discussion <i>A round table discussion by the countries on their most pressing issues in terms of implementation of legislation, difficulty to adopt a legislation, enforcement and illegal trade, with focus on common elements in different MEAs.</i></p>
<p>15.00 – 15.30</p>	<p>TEA / COFFEE BREAK</p>
<p>Session 3 15:30 – 16:30</p>	<p>Country presentation by India (10 minutes) THE ROLE OF WCO IN ENFORCEMENT OF MEAs <i>Chaired by Mr. Subhash C. Varshney, India</i> Harmonized System – Recommendations Major amendments to the HS from 1 January 2007 (Environmental goods) <i>Mr. Izaak Wind, Deputy Director, Tariff and Trade Affairs, WCO</i> The role of the Regional Office for Capacity Building of WCO in the Region <i>Ms. Yoko Odashima, Technical Attaché, WCO Asia Pacific Regional Office for Capacity Building (ROCB)</i> Q&A – Discussion</p>
<p>Session 4 16:30 – 18:00</p>	<p>CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES IN COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT OF MEAs Country presentation by Nepal (10 minutes) <i>Chaired by Mr. Rajendra Shende, UNEP</i> National legislation and Licensing systems, Enforcement of national Legislation, Identification and Interdiction <i>Mr. Lawrence I. Sperling, Senior Adviser, U.S. Department of State</i> Q&A – Discussion</p>
<p>18: 00 – 19:30</p>	<p>Reception hosted by UNEP</p>

Sunday 30 October 2005

Session 5 09.00 – 10.15	Country presentation by China (10 minutes) COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF SPECIFIC MEAs <i>Chaired by Mr. Izaak Wind, WCO</i> Basel Convention on Trans-boundary Movement of Hazardous Wastes <i>Mr. Liu Hao, Basel Convention Regional Centre, China</i> Q&A – Discussion
10.15 – 10.45	TEA / COFFEE BREAK
Session 6 10.45 – 12.00	Country presentation by Indonesia (10 minutes) COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF SPECIFIC MEAs <i>Chaired by Mr. Hu Tian Shu China</i> Montreal Protocol on ozone depleting substances <i>Ms. Ludgarde Coppens, UNEP</i> Q&A – Discussion
12.00 – 13.00	LUNCH BREAK
Session 7 13.30 – 15.00	Country presentation by Thailand (10 minutes) COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF SPECIFIC MEAs <i>Chaired by Mr. Tharaka Seneviratne, Sri Lanka</i> Overview of the Rotterdam Convention <i>Ms. Ludgarde Coppens, UNEP</i> Q&A – Discussion
15:00 – 15.30	TEA / COFFEE BREAK
Session 8 15:30 – 16:30	Country presentation by Bhutan (10 minutes) COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF SPECIFIC MEAs <i>Chaired by Mr. Tharaka Seneviratne, Sri Lanka</i> Stockholm Convention <i>Mr. Lawrence I. Sperling, Senior Adviser, U.S. Department of State</i> Q&A – Discussion

Monday 31 October 2005

Session 9 09.00 – 10.15	Country presentation by Sri Lanka (10 minutes) COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF SPECIFIC MEAs <i>Chaired by Rezaul Hasan, Bangladesh</i> Introduction to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) <i>Mr. Carl Bruch, UNEP and Mr. Narayan Belbase, IUCN, Nepal</i> Q&A – Discussion
10.15 – 10.45	TEA / COFFEE BREAK
Session 10 10:45 – 12:00	ROLE OF INTERPOL IN IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF MEAS <i>Chaired by Mr. Madhu Sudan Bhattarai, Nepal</i> Environmental Crimes – Practical Guide on Cooperation with Interpol <i>Mr. Ho Wai Hong, Interpol</i> Q&A – Discussion
12.00 – 13.30	LUNCH BREAK
Session 11 13.30 – 15.00	REGIONAL & NATIONAL PERSPECTIVES ON CUSTOMS ISSUES Working Group Sessions Question 1. Legislative Framework Development, Enforcement and Compliance and approaches towards addressing needs identified <i>(Facilitators: IUCN and US Department of State)</i> Question 2. Data collection, analysis, reporting, detection, establishment of line/chain control, and approaches towards addressing needs identified <i>(Facilitators: WCO, Interpol, OPCW)</i> Question 3. Green Customs Training: synergies among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions, CITES, and the Montreal Protocol <i>(Facilitators: BCRC, UNEP-DEC, WCO-ROCB)</i>
15:00 – 15.30	TEA / COFFEE BREAK
Session 12 15:30 – 17:00	FEEDBACK SESSION <i>Chaired by Mr. Carl Bruch, UNEP</i> Reporting back of discussions in the small working groups Feedback on Green Customs Training Approach and Training Manual – discussion
18:30 -	Dinner hosted by the Department of Revenue and Customs, Bhutan

Tuesday 1 November 2005

Session 13 09:00 – 10:15	THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION (CWC) <i>Chaired by Mr. Kanis Isdul, Thailand</i> Introduction to the Chemical Weapons Convention <i>Mr. Carlos Trentadue, Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons</i> Q&A – Discussion
10.15 – 10.45	TEA / COFFEE BREAK
10:45 – 12:00	<i>Chaired by Mr. Kanis Isdul, Thailand</i> Customs Training on the Chemical Weapons Convention <i>Mr. Carlos Trentadue, Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons</i> Q&A – Discussion Regional and national perspectives of the Chemical Weapons Convention – role and functions of Customs Officers <i>Mr. Carlos Trentadue, Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons</i> Q&A – Discussion
12.00 – 13.30	LUNCH BREAK
13:30 – 15:00	<i>Chaired by Mr. Kanis Isdul, Thailand</i> Implementation and enforcement of the Chemical Weapons Convention and linkages with other MEAs – lessons learned <i>Mr. Carlos Trentadue, Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons</i>
15:00 – 15.30 Hrs	TEA / COFFEE BREAK
Session 14 15.30 – 16.30	CONCLUSIONS OF THE REGIONAL GREEN CUSTOMS TRAINING WORKSHOP Summary and Recommendations from the Workshop <i>Mr. Rajendra Shende, UNEP</i> <i>Mr. Carlos Trentadue, Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons</i> Q&A – Discussion

<p>Closing Session 16:30 – 17:00</p>	<p>CONCLUSIONS OF THE REGIONAL GREEN CUSTOMS TRAINING WORKSHOP</p> <p><i>Master of Ceremony:</i></p> <p>Closing remarks</p> <p>UNEP <i>Mr. Carl Bruch, UNEP</i></p> <p>WCO <i>Mr. Izaak Wind, World Customs Organization</i></p> <p>OPCW <i>Mr. Carlos Trentadue, Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons</i></p> <p>Government of Bhutan <i>Mr. Ritu Raj Chhetri, Senior Legal Officer, Bhutan</i></p>
<p>19:00 -</p>	<p>Dinner hosted by National Environment Commission, Bhutan</p>

ANNEX 2: EVALUATION BY PARTICIPANTS

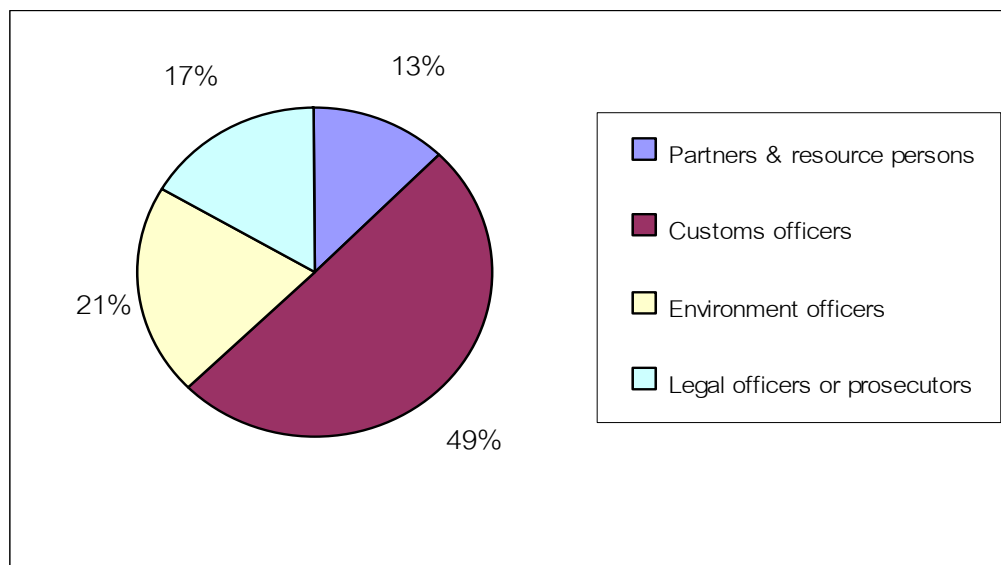


Fig 1: Percentage of participants

The total number of participants who completed the evaluation questionnaire is 24 persons, including 12 customs officers, 5 environment officers, 3 law officers, 1 prosecutor and 3 partners & resource persons.

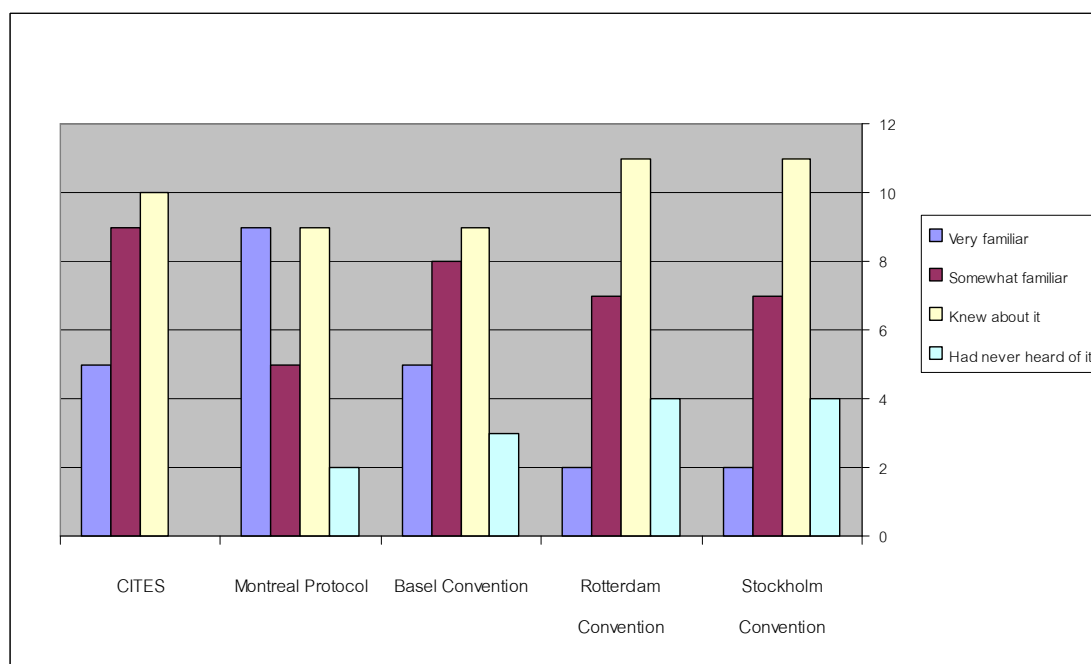
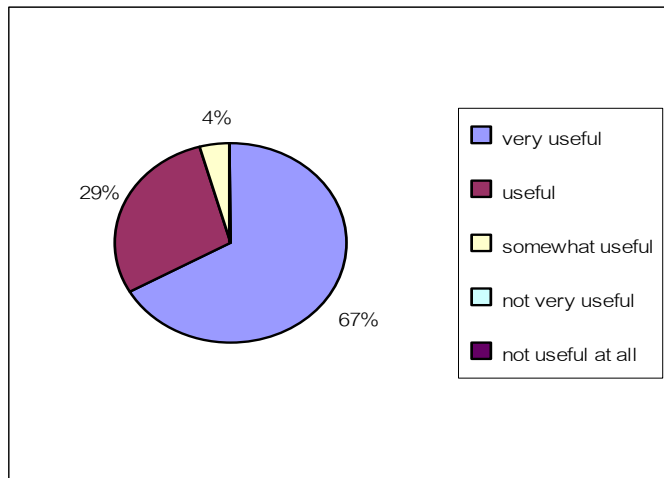


Fig 2: Participant's experience with Multilateral Environmental Agreements

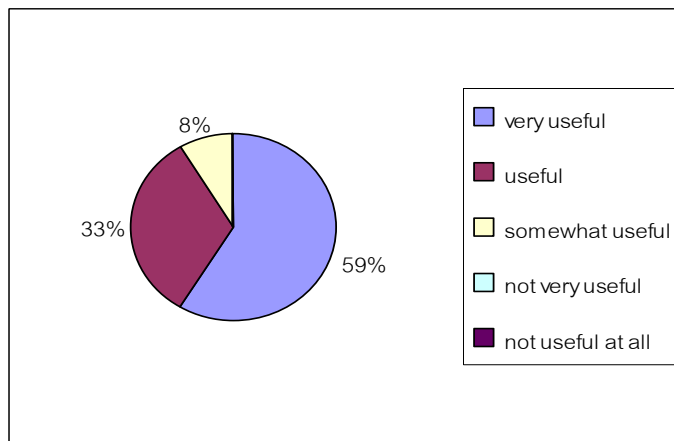
Prior to the workshop, most of participants knew about the Multilateral Environmental Agreements covered in the Green Customs Initiative. All participants knew about CITES and only a few had never heard about Montreal Protocol, Basel Convention, Rotterdam Convention and Stockholm Convention.

Fig 3 : (question no 5 : Overall, how do you think this training guide fulfils the function ?



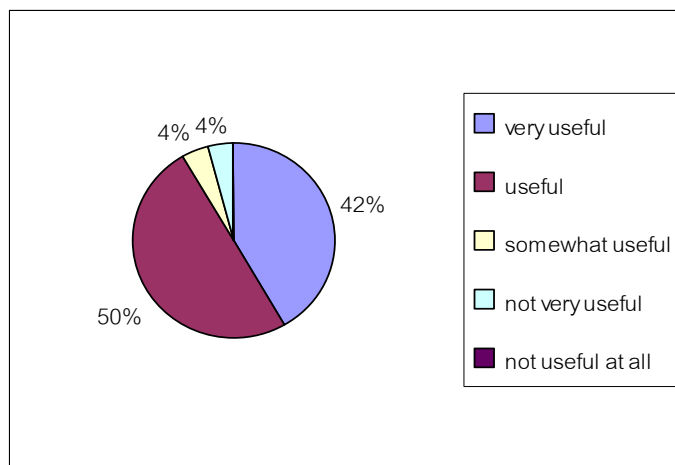
(a) As background document for this workshop.

16 participants found that the training guide as background document of this workshop very useful, 7 useful and 1 somewhat useful.



(b) As general introduction of the MEAs

14 participants found that the general introduction of the MEAs is very useful, 8 useful and 2 somewhat useful.



(c) As a tool to assist in day-to-day work.

10 participants found that the training guide is very useful as a tool to assist in day-to-day work, 12 useful, 1 somewhat useful and another one found that it is not very useful.

Responses to questions in the questionnaire are summarized as below:

Question 1. Would you consider that there is too much information or not enough information in this training guide?

Answer: 68% found that the information is sufficient, 18% felt that it is too much and 14% needed more information.

Question 2. Please indicate three things that you will remember from the training guide.

Answer: Major things the participants will remember from the training are guidance, practical aspects of implementation of MEAs, convergence of conventions, role of customs authority in implementation of MEAs, legislation for enforcement obligations under the protocol and cooperation & coordination required for execution of MEAs.

Question 3. What section was the most useful to you?

Answer: 22 % of participants considered CITES as the most useful section, 17% for Montreal Protocol and 61% for the other Conventions including role of Interpol.

Question 4. What section (if any) would you expand and which (if any) would you reduce?

Answer: 17 % of participants requested that the CITES section should be expanded, 13% for Stockholm Convention and 9% for Rotterdam Convention. Also the working group session should also be expanded. There is no major comment on the reduction of any section.

Question 5. Overall, how do you think this training guide fulfils the function?

Answer: Fig. 3

Question 6. Do you have any cases or examples relating to implementation of any of these MEAs from your experience, which could usefully be included in the training Guide? Would you like to provide it for inclusion of the guide?

Answer: 3 of the legal officers/prosecutors experienced cases or examples, 2 of the environment officers and only one customs officer know of such cases. Of those responding positively, only half were prepared to provide the cases for inclusion in the guide.

Question 7. What other tools do you think would complement this training guide, and why?

Answer: some suggestions were made as follows

- Include all MEAs related to chemicals in one guide book
- Example of case study, report, database for training for update and access
- Practical guidance for customs officer
- National guidance, information and legislation
- Interpreter for the workshop

Question 8. Is the CD-Rom a useful complement?

Answer: All participants found that CD-Rom useful. Participants required more specific information on CITES, Basel Convention and Rotterdam Convention. They also required some specific information for other sections as well.

ANNEX 3: LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

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