



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

**BASEL CONVENTION REGIONAL CENTRE FOR TRAINING AND
TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FOR SOUTHEAST ASIA – STOCKHOLM
CONVENTION REGIONAL CENTRE FOR CAPACITY BUILDING AND
THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN**

AND

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CONVENTION REGIONAL CENTRE FOR CAPACITY BUILDING AND
THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY, INDONESIA**

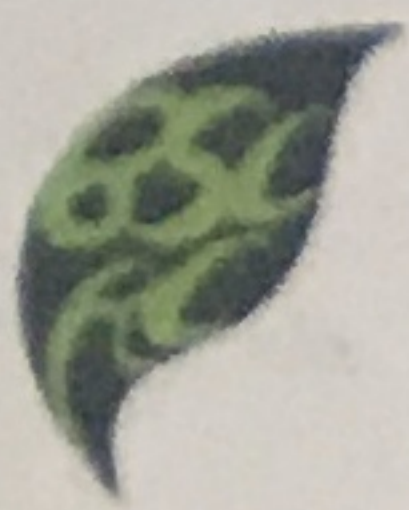
on

STRENGTHENING COOPERATION

To strengthen Asian Regional Centers cooperation for improving environmental management on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), assist to implementation of chemicals and waste related international conventions, Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for Southeast Asia and Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for Capacity-Building and the Transfer of Technology, Indonesia (hereinafter referred to as “BCRC-SCRC Indonesia”), Basel Convention Regional Centre-Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Asia and Pacific Region, Islamic Republic of Iran (hereinafter referred to as “BCRC-SCRC Islamic Republic of Iran”) that hereinafter referred to as "Parties" have reached the following understanding on the below provisions:

1. To cooperate in activities in the field of the environmentally sound management of Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), according to relevant provisions of the <Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants>, <Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM)> and relevant international environmental initiatives, cooperative efforts will be associated with, but not limited to:

- (a) Collaborate on training, conferences, workshops and other activities



carried out by BCRC-SCRC, Indonesia and BCRC-SCRC, Islamic Republic of Iran related to Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) and chemicals and waste management and treatment;

- (b) Jointly develop and apply for tripartite, regional and multinational projects in areas relevant to Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), chemical and waste management and treatment;
- (c) Share the experiences and support technically to replicate success stories in member countries of Parties;
- (d) Visit the Parties region timely subject to the availability of budget or other financial resources; and
- (e) Cooperate in other areas as mutually agreed upon whenever such opportunities arise.

2. This MOU constitutes an expression of a shared intention of the Parties to endeavor to develop foundations for achieving their shared objectives relating to the protection of the environment and developing and strengthening systems, institutions, organizations and individuals concerned with environmental protection.

3. Each Party's actions under this MOU will be considered to be that Party's sole and separate action for all purposes, including liability, and neither Party will claim to be acting on behalf of, or as agent for, the other Party to this MOU.

4. The present MOU is not going to impose any financial obligations on the Parties and does not contain any commitment in respect of the activities.

5. This MOU is neither legally binding nor forces any legal obligation. The domestic laws and regulations of the parties take precedence over any other obligations included in the present MOU.

6. The contact person will be designated and communicated by the executive directors of the parties to each other in due course after the signature of this MOU. Any change relating to the information of the contact person will be updated in a timely manner.

7. This MOU may be changed or amended by written agreement between the Parties. Such amendment will form an integral part thereof.

8. The present Memorandum of Understanding will enter into effect upon signature by the Parties for 5 years unless either party notifies, in written form, the



other party/parties of its intention to terminate the Memorandum of Understanding at least one month in advance of the termination date. The termination of this Memorandum of Understanding will not affect the validity and duration of any ongoing programs or activities made under this Memorandum of Understanding.

9. Any differences or disputes between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/or implementation and/or application of any of the provisions herein will be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiation between the Parties through diplomatic channels, without reference to any third Party or international tribunal.

This Memorandum of Understanding was signed by the Parties in Geneva on 10/05/2023 (Gregorian Calendar) corresponding to 20/02/1402 (Iranian Calendar) in three original copies. All texts being equally authentic.

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