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SUMMARY OF THE 10 YEAR FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME ON SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION IN AFRICA

The Second African Expert Meeting on the 10 Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production was held from 17-18 February 2005 in Nairobi, Kenya. The meeting was coorganized by UN-DESA and UNEP in consultation with the Secretariats of the African Ministerial Conference on Environment (AMCEN) and the African Roundtable on Sustainable Consumption and Production (ARSCP). It was attended by 36 participants consisting of 18 Government-nominated experts and 18 sustainable consumption and production experts and development partners and was opened by the Deputy Executive Director of UNEP, Mr. Shafqat Kakakhel. The meeting was structured having an opening plenary session followed by three sets of parallel working group sessions consisting of four groups each. The outcomes from the working groups were discussed during a closing plenary session.

The opening plenary session focussed on reviewing the outcome of the First Experts Meeting on Sustainable Consumption and Production that was held in Casablanca 19-20 May 2004, which identified the key priorities that could be undertaken under the thematic areas of: energy, water, urban development, and industrial development. Each thematic area was considered in the context of NEPAD Environmental Action Plan and regional poverty reduction priorities. This was followed by two sets of working group sessions which further deliberated on the development of specific actions under the respective thematic areas. The following are the priority areas under which specific actions were proposed [Detailed descriptions of the specific action proposals in each area are contained in the attached reports of the working groups. Additionally attached are project proposals developed through sub-regional consultation processes under the ARSCP and which are referred to in the reports of the working groups.

Priority areas on energy

- Assessment and identification of best practices on renewable energy used along the life cycle of agriculture including policy analysis and recommendations.
- Implementation of projects on renewable energy technologies in rural agriculture, by providing direct assistance to local communities.
- Promotion and development of mini-hydropower for small rural enterprises.
- Promote and support increased utilization of improved woodfuel stoves by households with appropriate financing mechanisms.

- Promote the use of energy efficient light bulbs and electric appliances through affordable prices and information to consumers.
- Develop campaigns on environmental education and information for sustainable use of energy through schools and other institutions in cooperation with NGOs and local communities.

Priority areas on water and sanitation

- Knowledge Management of Best Practice in Africa
- Technology Transfer in Water and Sanitation
- Regional awareness raising and education on SCP in water and sanitation
- Replication of successful experiences in safe reuse of wastewater
- Promoting the Implementation of Integrated Water Resource Management, ensuring the inclusion of LCA and SCP.

Priority areas habitat and sustainable urban development

- Integrated Solid Waste Management (ISWM)
- Sustainable Urban Mobility
- Reduction of Vehicular Emissions
- Sustainable Urban Development

Priority areas on industrial development

- Strengthening the capacity of the African Roundtable on Sustainable Consumption and Production and its members.
- Explore the expansion of value chains for agricultural products and by-products by expanding their industrial uses.
- Improve markets for sustainable goods and services to ensure competitiveness irrespective of destination market.

In addition to the above areas of activities, three concept notes for concrete projects that have been developed through other sub-regional and regional technical consultation forums were submitted to the meeting and was agreed to include them as an attachment to this report for further considerations. The concept notes are on:

• Mainstreaming sustainable consumption and production in Lake Victoria Region as a pilot project on mainstreaming sustainable

consumption and production in regional development programmes.

- Sustainable consumption and production of plastics in Africa as a demonstration of integrated solid waste management in Africa.
- Regional training and awareness programme on Life Cycle Analysis as a planning and decision-making tool¹.

Subsequent to AMCEN consultation the set of proposed actions considered favourably by AMCEN will be presented for funding through the Marrakech Process on SCP. Implementation of these activities is subject to resource mobilization and funding availability.

In the final plenary session the participants recommended that the ARSCP be recognized by AMCEN as a Center of Excellence on Sustainable Consumption and Production in the context of the NEPAD Environmental Action Plan.

The participants in the Expert Meeting would like to thank UNEP ROA for organizing and hosting this meeting and UNDESA, UNEP DTIE, AMCEN Secretariat and the ARSCP as co-organizers of the meeting. The Group will also like to thank the Government of Germany for the valuable financial support provided for this meeting.

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