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**POPs** (Persistent Organic Pollutants) are **harmful chemicals** which circulate globally, travel rapidly and cause widespread damage.



A global treaty designed to protect human health and the environment, the **Stockholm Convention** reduces or eliminates releases of POPs. The Stockholm Convention entered into force in May 2004, and it has been ratified by **more than 150 countries**.



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