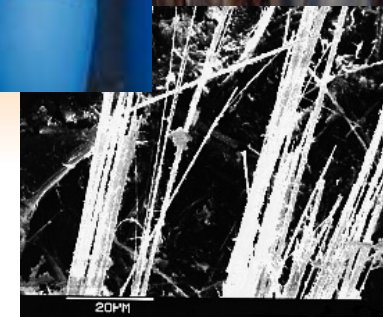


High Level International Expert Conference

Asbestos – Policies and Practices in Kyrgyzstan and International Chemicals Policy

20th of May 2011

Hotel Ak Keme, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan



9.00 – 9.30

Registration

9.30 – 10.00

OPENING SESSION

Keynote addresses

Biimirza Toktoraliev, Director of State Agency of Environment Protection and Forestry, Kyrgyzstan, Co-Chair

Tom Massie, EC Delegation in Kyrgyzstan

Holger Green, Ambassador Germany

Abdikarimov S.T., Deputy Minister, Chief State Sanitary Inspector, Ministry of Health, Kyrgyzstan

Donald Cooper, Co-Executive Secretary of the Rotterdam Convention, Co-Chair

10.00 – 11.00

IMPLEMENTING ROTTERDAM CONVENTION AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

Speakers

Jyldyz Kodoeva, State Agency of Environment Protection and Forestry, Kyrgyzstan, national focal point Rotterdam Convention

Donald Cooper, Executive Co-Secretary of Rotterdam Convention

Narinbek Mirsaliev, Ozone Center (tbc)

Issak Djumaev, former member Committee of Chemical Substance Scrutiny of Rotterdam Convention, National Academy of Science, Kyrgyzstan

Panel discussion: Implement the Rotterdam Convention, ratified by Kyrgyzstan, into the national legislation

Discussion moderated by Sascha Gabizon, WECF

11.00 – 11:30

Coffee / tea break

11.30– 12.30

ASBESTOS INVENTORY

Speakers

Tatiana Burova, Chu-Bishkek territorial direction of Environmental Protection and Forestry

Tiasia Neronova, Independent Expert, Kyrgyzstan

N.N., Joint-Stock Company Kant Cement & Slate Works, Kyrgyzstan

Kaisha Atakhanova, Eco Center, Kazakhstan

Dmitry Levashov, Ecosoglasie, Russia

Panel discussion: The nature and scale of asbestos production and use

In this discussion a panel of experts will present the state of use of asbestos in Kyrgyzstan and the EECCA region

Discussion moderated by the co-chair Biimirza Toktoraliev, State Agency of Environment Protection and Forestry, Kyrgyzstan

12:30 – 13.30

Lunch break

13.30 – 15.00

ASBESTOS AND ASBESTOS-RELATED DISEASES

Speakers

Tatiana Burmistrova, Scientific Clinic - Research Institute of Labour Medicine, Russian Academy of Medicine Science, Moscow

Rokho Kim, WHO Europe

Azizbek Kirgizbaev, ILO EECCA Region

Vladimir Gurvich, Scientific Medicine Center of Prevention and Protection of industrial workers

Nurlan Smagulov, Public Health Services Karaganda SNU, Kazakhstan

Panel discussion: *The potential health risks of asbestos use in Kyrgyzstan*

In this panel Kyrgyz and international experts will present experience with health studies from asbestos, including recommendations for action.

Discussion moderated by Sabirjan Abdikarimov, Deputy Minister, Chief State Sanitary Inspector, Ministry of Health, Kyrgyzstan

15.00 – 15.30

Coffee / tea break

15.30 – 16.00

ASBESTOS ALTERNATIVES

In this session international experts will present experience with good alternatives to asbestos.

Speakers

Rostom Gamisonia, Rural Communities Development Agency, Georgia

Sascha Gabizon, Women in Europe for a Common Future

16.00 – 18.30

DEVELOPING A STRATEGY ON ASBESTOS FOR KYRGYZSTAN

Speakers

Lessons learned from Asbestos Use

Alexander Nies, Ministry of Environment, Germany

Rokho Kim, WHO Europe

Strategy on asbestos for Kyrgyzstan

Ilias Sarybaev, State Agency of Environment Protection and Forestry, Kyrgyzstan

Nuriila Djoldosheva, Deputy Minister of Labour, Employment, and Migration, Kyrgyzstan (tbc)

N.N. Joint-Stock Company Kant Cement & Slate Works, Kyrgyzstan

Vladimir Korotenko, BIOM, Kyrgyzstan

Emil Shukurov, Ecological Movement of Kyrgyzstan „Aleyne“

Panel discussion: *Developing a strategy on asbestos in Kyrgyzstan*

In this panel Kyrgyz and international experts will identify next steps and recommendations to develop a strategy on asbestos in Kyrgyzstan and Kyrgyzstan's position regarding the Rotterdam Convention.

Discussion moderated by Alexander Nies, Ministry of Environment, Germany

18.30

Closing of the Meeting

19.30-20.00

Press Conference

18.30 – 21:00

Reception optional

Organizers:

WECF – Women in Europe for a Common Future, Netherlands/France/Germany

BIOM, Kyrgyzstan

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