

# International High-Level Expert Conference on Chemical Safety and Rotterdam Convention: Policies and Practices

29th of March 2012, Institute for Occupational Health of NAMS of Ukraine  
Ukraine, Kyiv, 75, Saksaganskogo Str.



8.30 – 9.00	<b>Registration</b>		
9.00 – 10.00	<b>OPENING SESSION</b>		
	<b>Welcome speeches</b> <b>Representative</b> , Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine <b>Representative</b> , Ministry of Health of Ukraine <b>Anna Golubovska- Onisimova</b> , Chair of UNENGO MAMA-86 <b>Prof. Yurii Kundieev</b> , Director Institute for Occupational Health of NAMS, Ukraine <b>Alexander Mangwiro</b> , Secretariat of the Rotterdam Convention <b>Dr. Rokho Kim</b> , World Health Organisation, Europe Office <b>Representative</b> , Delegation of the European Union to Ukraine (tbc) <b>Representative</b> , Embassy of Sweden (tbc)		
10.00 – 11.20	<b>1. ROTTERDAM CONVENTION AS TOOL FOR CHEMICAL MANAGEMENT IN UKRAINE</b> In this session key aspects of chemical safety and the results of the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention in Ukraine will be discussed		
10.00 – 10.30	<b>Representative</b> , Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine State Control over the implementation of the Rotterdam Convention		
10.30 – 11.00	<b>Alexander Mangwiro</b> , Secretariat of the Rotterdam Convention How Rotterdam Convention can help Russia address problems of chemical safety		
11.00 – 11.20	<b>Representative</b> , Hygienic Regulation Committee of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine Chemical management under the Rotterdam Convention in Ukraine		
11.20 – 11.50	<b>Coffee break</b>		
		11.50 – 14.00	<b>2. USE AND PRODUCTION OF CHRYSOTILE ASBESTOS</b> In this session the most controversial chemicals, which are already under the Rotterdam Convention or planned to be included will be discussed, in particular chrysotile asbestos. The nature and scale of asbestos production and use in Ukraine, EECCA region and the lessons learned in the EU will be presented.
		11.50 – 12.00	Welcome Speech
		12.00 – 12.20	<b>Mykhaylo Volynets</b> , Head, Confederation of free trade unions, Ukraine <b>Olexandr Serkin</b> , President, Ukrainian Chrysotile Association Activities implemented by the Ukrainian Chrysotile Association
		12.20 – 12.40	<b>Alexey Shumilo, Cand. law Sci</b> , EcoPravo-Khariv, Ukraine Legislative measures for asbestos management and prevention of asbestos risks in Ukraine
		12.40 – 13.00	<b>Vladimir Korotenko</b> , BIOM Kyrgyzstan Findings of asbestos inventories in EECCA region
		13.00 – 13.20	<b>Dmytro Skrylinkov</b> , BEI, Ukraine, <b>Alexey Vedmidsky</b> , Terra Defence, Ukraine Chemical safety linked to import of asbestos materials and waste
		13.20 – 13.40	<b>Olga Tsygulova, Cand. chem. Sci.</b> , UNENGO MAMA-86, Ukraine Findings of inventory on asbestos in Ukraine
		13.40 – 14.00	<b>Sascha Gabizon</b> , Woman in Europe for a Common Future Lessons learned in the EU
		14.00 – 15.00	<b>Lunch break</b>

15.00 – 16.40

### 3. ASBESTOS AND ASBESTOS RELATED DISEASES

In this session the potential health risks of asbestos use will be discussed. Ukrainian and international experts will present scientific results of health studies on asbestos exposure.

15.00 – 15.20

**Varyvonchyk D.V., Dr. med. Sci.**, *Head of laboratory of carcinogenic hazard and prevention of occupational cancer, Institute for Occupational Health of NAMS, Ukraine*  
*Assessment of carcinogenic hazard of chrysotile asbestos-cement production in the use of chrysotile asbestos in Ukraine*

15.20 – 15.40

**Prof. Basanets A.V., Dr. med. Sci.**, *Head of Department of occupational pathology, Institute for Occupation Health of NAMS, Ukraine*  
*State of health of workers exposed to chrysotile asbestos dust*

15.40 – 16.00

**Demetskaya A.V., Cand. med. Sci.**, *Head of Laboratory of labor hygiene in electrowelding production and toxicology of welding aerosols*, **Salnikova N.A., Cand. med. Sci.**, *Laboratory for measuring asbestos content, Insitute for Occupational Health of NAMS of Ukraine*

16.00 – 16.20

*Hygienic assessment of work conditions in the asbestos-cement production in Ukraine*  
**Dr. Rokho Kim**, *WHO Regional Office for Europe*  
*Asbestos and asbestos related diseases*

16:20 - 17:00

**Discussion**

17.00 – 17.30

Tea break

17:30 - 18:30

### 4. CLOSING SESSION

The session will focus on a concluding discussion of the main views expressed during the conference. This session will consider an inter-active development of national recommendatios and a call for action, for which all participants feel ownership.

18:30

**CLOSING OF CONFERENCE**

18:30 - 19:30

**PRESS CONFERENCE**

*Invited participants only*

19:00

**RECEPTION**