

ROLE OF SCIENCE POLICY INTERFACE IN STRENGTHENING IMPLEMENTATION OF MINAMATA CONVENTION

As UNEP marks the 50th anniversary of its establishment this year, it is an opportunity to reflect on the past, and envision the future. The Science-policy interface has been at the center of UNEP's work for the past 50 years and has played a crucial role in informing action, for example, platforms such as the global mercury assessment, which informed the development of the Minamata Convention on Mercury. As part of commemorating the 50th year, the side event will raise awareness on the role of Science-Policy Interface in providing solutions in addressing the triple planetary crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution. It will reflect on past successes and consider the challenges ahead in utilizing the existing science and evidence to connect with the different solution providers effectively. In this context it will also explore how the work of MEAs (Minamata Convention) can be strengthened in the science-policy field in the medium to longer term.

LIST OF SPEAKERS

- Balakrishna Pisupati, UNEP, Law Division
- Lynwill Martin, International Conference on Mercury as a Global Pollutant (ICMGP)
- Luwedde Juliet Grace, Media Challenge Initiative
- Elena Lymberidi-Settimo, European Environmental Bureau, Zero Mercury Campaign
- Wang Zhanyun, International Panel on Chemical Pollution
- Eisaku Toda, Minamata Convention Secretariat



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