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DESCRIPTION

The Africa region's side event aims to outline the many pressing challenges of hazardous waste management of end-of-life MAPs especially in developing countries where there is limited or no infrastructure to support ESM of hazardous wastes. At the same time the session will underpin the importance of prioritizing phase out of certain MAPs such as fluorescent lamps, dental amalgam, and cosmetics from the challenges of mercury exposure, of ESM and disposal. The session will also explore potentially sustainable funding sources, economies of scale and options for the ESM and disposal of MAPs and elemental mercury

SPEAKERS

- **David Kapindula**, Africa Region Expert
- **Roger Baro**, Minister of Environment in Burkina Faso
- **Chris Kanema**, Acting Director of Operations, Zambia Environmental Management Agency
- **Rachel Kamande**, Global Campaign Lead, Clean Lighting Coalition
- **Ibrahima Sow**, Senior Environmental Specialist, Global Environmental Facility
- **Percy Onianwa**, Executive Director, Basel Convention Coordinating Centre for the African Region (BCCC-Africa)
- **Siddika Sultana**, Executive Director, Environment and Social Development Organization-ESDO
- **Michael Bender**, Director, Mercury Policy Project and International Co-coordinator, Zero Mercury Working Group