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IPEN and its Approach to Obsolete Pesticides Stockpiles Problem

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International POPs Elimination Network = IPEN, www.ipen.org

- Both partners of the project „Scaling up Experience“ – Arnika Association and AWHHE have long history of cooperation in IPEN and since 2000 also in its informal European working group
- IPEN - global network of more than 700 public interest non-governmental organizations working for the elimination of persistent organic pollutants (POPs).

IPEN



- 4 working groups
- Pesticides WG
- Dioxin, PCBs and Waste WG
- Community Monitoring WG
- Heavy Metals WG
- Project in Armenia deals mainly with work of two of them (Pesticides WG and Dioxin, PCBs and Waste WG)

IPEN and Obsolete Pesticides Stockpiles

- IPEN promotes approach in accordance with the Stockholm Convention goals and requirements
 - STOP of use of all POPs pesticides (e.g. DDT, lindane, HCHs, chlordane and others)
 - total elimination of obsolete pesticides stockpiles as well as contaminated sites
 - use of destruction technologies that do not create new POPs (such as dioxins or PCBs)

IPEN and Obsolete Pesticides Stockpiles

IPEN opposes solutions that lead to continuous or new contamination



- leaving obsolete pesticides to pollute air, water, soil as well as whole food chain
- destruction of POPs by technologies such as waste incineration or other combustion technologies (these technologies lead to new POPs)

IPEN's work on this field

DDT in Eggs A Global Review

IPEN Pesticides Working Group

May, 2009



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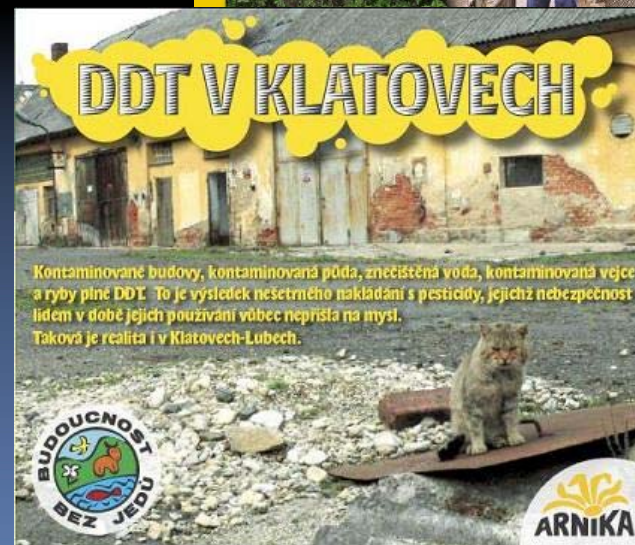
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IPEN's work

- IPEN's and its participating organizations participation in specific projects (UNIDO non-comb. projects, clean-up of Klatovy - Luby, African Stockpiles Project etc.)
- Work on guidelines under Stockholm Convention at international level (e.g. Best Available Techniques and Best Environmental Practices Guidelines Relevant to Article 5 and Annex C of the Stockholm Convention)

IPEN's work

- Participation in national implementation of the Stockholm Convention in different countries (National Implementation Plans, new legislation etc.)
- National inventories of obsolete pesticides stockpiles
- International monitoring projects (The Egg Report, DDT in Eggs Report, Mercury in products in 8 countries/4 UNEP Regions)

International POPs Elimination Network (IPEN)

<http://www.ipen.org>

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants:

<http://www.pops.int>

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

<http://www.unep.fr/en/branches/chemicals.htm>

Armenian Women for Health and Healthy environment

<http://www.awhhe.am>

Arnika Association – English website

<http://english.arnika.org>



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