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*Fostering Active and Effective Civil Society Participation in
Preparation for Implementation of the Stockholm Convention*

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About the International POPs Elimination Project

On May 1, 2004, the International POPs Elimination Network (IPEN <http://www.ipen.org>) began a global NGO project called the International POPs Elimination Project (IPEP) in partnership with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP). The Global Environment Facility (GEF) provided core funding for the project.

IPEP has three principal objectives:

- Encourage and enable NGOs in 40 developing and transitional countries to engage in activities that provide concrete and immediate contributions to country efforts in preparing for the implementation of the Stockholm Convention;
- Enhance the skills and knowledge of NGOs to help build their capacity as effective stakeholders in the Convention implementation process;
- Help establish regional and national NGO coordination and capacity in all regions of the world in support of longer term efforts to achieve chemical safety.

IPEP will support preparation of reports on country situation, hotspots, policy briefs, and regional activities. Three principal types of activities will be supported by IPEP: participation in the National Implementation Plan, training and awareness workshops, and public information and awareness campaigns.

For more information, please see <http://www.ipen.org>

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Global Day of Action on POPs in Ukraine

In the framework of the Global Day of Actions against POPs, MAMA-86 Ukrainian National Environmental NGO implemented the project "Organisation of the Global Day of Actions against POPs in Ukraine". The project sought to raise awareness of Ukrainian citizens of the problem of POPs and the Stockholm Convention; to involve members of the general public in the information campaign against POPs. On April 15, 2005, in the framework of the project, roundtable "Options to Raise Public Awareness of POPs and the Stockholm Convention" was held in Kiev. The range of the roundtable participants incorporated university lecturers; school, lyceum, gymnasium teachers, representatives of the academic community, non-governmental organisations, relevant ministries, publishers and mass media outlets. Students and school pupils were invited to participate as observers. Overall, about 500 persons participated in the event. After discussions, the roundtable participants approved the resolution and proposals to raise public awareness of the problem of POPs and the Stockholm Convention. For additional information, please contact: Olga Tzyguleva, "MAMA-86-Kharkov" NGO, mama-86@isc.kharkov.com