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International POPs Elimination Project

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

Global Day of Action on POPs in Argentina

Citizen's Anti-incineration Coalition

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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 Argentina

For the Global Week of Action the Citizen's Anti-Incineration Coalition held an information dissemination campaign. They prepared and distributed a press release on the global launch of the release of The Egg Report, putting specific emphasis on the POPs releases from waste incinerators and the need to take action to eliminate those toxic releases. Copies of the Egg Report were delivered to local and regional governments throughout the country, and a letter was sent to the Secretary of Environment and Sustainable Development. The letter reminded the promise made by the Argentine government when ratifying the POPs treaty, of taking the measures to minimize and eliminate POPs, highlighted the existence of incinerator alternatives that do not produce POPs and urged the government to phase out waste incineration and implement alternatives for waste management. The letter was sent with a copy of the Egg report in Spanish. As part of the campaign, members of the Coalition made special presentations on radio shows on the launch of The Egg report.