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### Capacity building

## ICCA awareness raising and capacity building activities

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1. This document provides an update on activities led by ICCA, related to awareness raising and capacity building.

#### Awareness raising

2. ICCA continues to promote GHS and chemical safety awareness through the National Associations worldwide

#### Capacity building workshops

3. ICCA conducted the following GHS workshops during 2019:
- (a) ICCA has started a cooperation project with the German Federal Ministry for the Environment on GHS implementation in a French and an English-speaking country in Africa: Ivory Coast and Ghana. The idea to work together to introduce and initiate implementation of the GHS. A work plan is now being defined based on the individual country needs. Workshops in each country took part in the first quarter of 2019. Unitar also participated
  - (b) ASEAN Global Regulatory Cooperation workshop. Industry and government officials from the 10 ASEAN countries met in Hanoi for 3 days to work on GHS implementation and chemical inventory building. Workshops started in 2016 and virtual working groups (VWG) were formed to discuss GHS implementation on a regular basis
  - (c) LatAm Global Regulatory Cooperation workshop. A 2-day workshop was organised in Buenos Aires with government officials and industry representatives from Brazil, Argentina, Peru, Paraguay Mexico, Chile and Colombia. GHS and Risk Assessment were the topics of this workshop. Intention is to create a VWG to follow up GHS implementation in the LatAm countries. UNEP also participated in this workshop.
  - (d) Meeting with Gulf Petrochemicals Association (GPCA) in Oman (19-21 November) to discuss GHS and Product Stewardship. The objective was to exchange views on how an association can help its members fulfilling their obligation and how GHS will be applied in Gulf countries. Meeting with Gulf Petrochemicals Association (GPCA) in Oman (19-21 November) to discuss GHS and Product Stewardship. The objective was to exchange views on how an association can help its members fulfilling their obligation and how GHS

will be applied in Gulf countries. GPCA has organized a seminar for its members and GCC authorities focusing on the advertising and implementation aspects of their regional currently draft GHS standard. Further training activities are planned.

4. ICCA activities on capacity building will be continued in 2020.
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