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The Global SCP Clearinghouse is the knowledge management platform of the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production (10YFP), and more generally a one-stop hub for Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP), which gathers a network of more than 3000 registered members to date. National Focal Points and other members can exchange, collaborate, and highlight the work that they and their institutions are doing in SCP, in all sectors and in all regions. The Clearinghouse is designed to be an interactive space, where previously fragmented information can be brought together to form linkages and partnerships to scale up and replicate SCP action on the ground.

As the government focal points connecting the 10-Year Framework of Programmes with SCP action at the country-level, the National Focal Points can use this platform to collect, synthesize and spread information about SCP in their countries. By doing so, they can illustrate to a large audience their efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in particular SDG 12 and other SCP-related targets across the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Numerous tools exist which allow National Focal Points to have a comprehensive look at projects, resources, events and other news at the national level, as well as extract relevant information and statistics for examination and dissemination.

The Clearinghouse also provides the opportunity for National Focal Points to share experiences, join a broad network of governmental and non-governmental actors and identify opportunities for synergies or cooperation.

All National Focal Points are invited to sign up for the Global SCP Clearinghouse and join the global 10YFP community. Registered National Focal Points can post and manage information on their country’s policies, initiatives and resources, as well as news and events (e.g. reports, publications, manuals), and access the platform’s networking and cooperation tools – www.scpclearinghouse.org. Material in the Clearinghouse is continuously disseminated through several social media channels to reach wide audiences quickly, for example Twitter: @globalSCP and @10YFP.
THE ONE-STOP HUB FOR KNOWLEDGE SHARING AND COOPERATION

The Global SCP Clearinghouse is a platform under constant development to respond to the needs of the 10YFP and SCP community worldwide. The services and tools it provides are as follows:

1. Sustainable Consumption and Production worldwide
   - Search and post on a worldwide database of SCP policies and initiatives, sorting relevant initiatives by, inter alia, region, sector of activity, and inclusion in the 10YFP programmes. This database aims to bring together projects and activities from the entire SCP community around the globe;
   - Access key information about regional strategies, cooperation mechanisms and networks;
   - Read about and share news and events around the world.

2. Networking and cooperation
   - Liaise with the other actors of the 10-Year Framework of Programmes, including all the National Focal Points and partners of the programmes. All 10YFP stakeholders will be tagged with their particular role (Board, National Focal Points, Stakeholder Focal Points, members of regional platforms, programme Co-leads/Coordination Desks, Multi-stakeholder Advisory Committees members and partners).
   - Search the expert directory to identify experts from all regions, with expertise in multiple sectors and areas. Other potential partners can be identified among the members of the Clearinghouse, across sectors and thematic areas.
   - Participate in exchange groups on diverse topics in order to exchange documents, participate in discussion fora, and coordinate partnerships, events and other collaborations.

3. Tools and resources
   - Search and share tools and resources (e.g. reports, publications, manuals, toolkits) across regions, themes and sectors;

4. MySCP for National Focal Points
   - Personal National Focal Points’ profile, including favorite contents, submitted contents, contacts, upcoming events. The MySCP section allows them to personalize and organize their experience in the Clearinghouse, so that they have all the necessary information at their fingertips.
THE 10YFP ON THE GLOBAL SCP CLEARINGHOUSE

The 10YFP has a central role within the Clearinghouse, and the profile of this capacity building framework continues to grow with the adoption of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda, and SDG target 12.1 on its implementation. The 10YFP programmes and National Focal Points have at their fingertips a host of tools to interact, connect and engage.

A dedicated hub on the Global SCP Clearinghouse is being developed for each 10YFP programme, featuring member directories, programme portfolios of activities and opportunities to engage. The objective is to create more opportunities for communication within the 10YFP and the SCP global community through interactive exchange tools and being able to locate members based on regions, areas of expertise or role in the 10YFP.

SHOW YOUR COUNTRY’S ACTION ON SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION TO THE WORLD: HOW TO MAKE THE BEST USE OF THE GLOBAL SCP CLEARINGHOUSE

The 10YFP National Focal Points have an important role to play in the Global SCP Clearinghouse, which will provide a dynamic window into the work being done at the national level around the world.

In addition to the tools and functions listed above, the Global SCP Clearinghouse provides new capabilities for the National Focal Points to play a role as resource persons and points of reference and coordination in their country. The role of the National Focal Points as liaisons between the countries and the 10YFP is reinforced in the upgraded platform, and facilitated through a number of elements.

Increasing visibility

- Ability to post information on national SCP policies, initiatives, resources, events, news and any other relevant content;
- Request that content submitted by their government be acknowledged as contributing to the 10YFP and be labelled as such;

Managing governmental information and reporting

- Screen contents from governmental sources of their country before they are published, to ensure coherence and accuracy;

Networking and collaboration

- Identify and be identified by others with a role in the 10YFP, through specific tags within user profiles (10YFP Board Members, National Focal Points, Stakeholder Focal Points, programme co-leads/co-ordination desks, Multi-stakeholder Advisory Committees members, partners);
- Contact the coordination desks of the 10YFP programmes, express interest of their country to join as partner;
- Participate in or create exchange groups for National Focal Points, global and regional to discuss collaboration, exchange documents and other resources, and plan activities.

Capacity-building

- Access the toolkit for National Focal Points in a user-friendly format in order to easily locate relevant tools, tips and other information about Sustainable Consumption and Production across regions, sectors and the 10YFP.

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