

Vacancy announcement: National Expert (Philippines) – Environmentally Sound Management of Industrial Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)

The Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions invites applications for a **National Expert (Philippines)** consultancy under the project “**Environmentally sound management of industrial POPs and addressing POPs in products and articles in the Philippines and neighboring countries**”, funded by the European Union.

The consultancy will support the Government of the Philippines in assessing newly listed industrial persistent organic pollutants (POPs) in relevant industrial production processes, priority sectors, and associated substances and mixtures, and, where relevant, selected products and articles in use.

The assignment will also support the preparation of a national policy on the management of industrial POPs, including the identification of potential needs for specific exemptions or other relevant provisions under the Stockholm Convention, as well as practical phase-out strategies and recommendations for environmentally sound management.

Duty station and duration

- **Duty station:** Philippines
- **Duration:** Up to **40 working days**, on an intermittent basis, during the project period **April to October 2026**

Main responsibilities

The selected consultant will work in close coordination with the Government of the Philippines, the BRS Secretariat, the Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for South-East Asia (SCRC-SEA), and an international expert. Responsibilities will include:

- Assessing the use of newly listed industrial POPs in industrial production and supply chains;
- Collecting and analysing information on relevant substances, mixtures, products and articles;
- Supporting the development of a **draft national policy** on the management of industrial POPs;
- Identifying safer and technically feasible alternatives and phase-out options;
- Supporting stakeholder consultations and national meetings; and

- Preparing draft technical reports, recommendations, and related documentation.

Qualifications

Applicants should have:

- An advanced university degree in environmental sciences, environmental engineering, chemistry, or a related field;
- At least five years of relevant professional experience in chemicals management, environmental policy, or implementation of environmental projects;
- Strong knowledge of persistent organic pollutants, industrial chemicals, or chemicals in products and articles;
- Experience working with government agencies and multi-stakeholder processes in the Philippines, which is highly desirable; and
- An excellent command of English, both written and spoken.

How to apply

Interested candidates are invited to submit:

- A **motivation letter** outlining their suitability for the assignment; and
- A **curriculum vitae (CV)**

Applications should be sent by email to kei.ohno@un.org by **9 April 2026**.

Please indicate “**Application – National Expert (Philippines)**” in the subject line of the email.

Terms of Reference

For further details regarding the consultancy, please consult the **Terms of Reference**.