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Discussion 1:

- Topic: Where are there laws? A global and regional overview
- Date: 10th March 2021
- Time: 14:00 – 15:30 (GMT + 2.00)
- Presenters: Kenneth Davis, UNEP and Elena Jardan, WHO
- Facilitator: Andrea Rother, University of Cape Town
- Chair: Maxine Brassell, MPH student, University of Cape Town

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Discussion 1:
Where are there laws? A global and regional overview

PRESENTERS

Ken Davis, UNEP
Policy and technical expert

Elena Jardan, WHO
Chemicals and health consultant
Introduction
Presented by: Kenneth Davis, UNEP

- Newly released Update on the Global Status of Legal Limits on Lead in Paint that reports on new laws, new tools and momentum in global progress toward eliminating lead in paint.
- Effort by the Lead Paint Alliance since 2017, when only 67 countries reported having a lead paint law
- At the start of 2021, 79 countries have a lead paint law in place
To accelerate establishing and implementing protective legal limits on lead in paint, several tools and guidance documents are available from the Lead Paint Alliance.

- Global Status Update (annual publication)
- Lead Paint Regulatory Toolkit
- Model Law and Guidance for Regulating Lead Paint (Includes a 90 ppm limit)
- Policy and Technical Brief: Global Elimination of Lead Paint
- Steps to Establish a Lead Paint Law (and its companion factsheet)
• Eliminating lead exposure at its source is the most effective action to protect people from harmful effects of lead

• Continued use of lead paint in the world remains an important source of lead exposure
  • Aging paint crumbles and flakes, releasing lead into household dust.
  • Workers can be exposed to lead during paint manufacture, application and removal
To prevent lead exposure, laws, regulations or enforceable standards are needed in every country to stop the manufacture, sale and import of lead-containing paints.

Only **41% of countries (79)** in the world have lead paint laws
Throughout today's discussion, we invite you to ask questions to the presenters and to each other about status of lead paint laws in your country, region and globally.
Background for Question 1 (cont.)

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Stages of adopting a lead paint law (Jan 2019 - present)

**Government initial interest**
Countries have participated in the SAICM GEF project regional workshop or contacted partners

**Steps towards laws not yet taken**
No progress has been recorded there since the beginning of the SAICM GEF Project in 2019.

**Early stages of drafting**
Countries have organized a drafting meeting and produced a draft law

**First steps taken**
Countries with plan to draft a lead paint law or have held a Multistakeholder meeting

**Final stages of drafting**
Countries have produced a final draft law which are awaiting political validation

**Final lead paint law**
Countries have adopted a lead paint law
Background for Question 1 (cont.)
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Countries making progress towards laws, January 2019 to December 2020

*This is the progress towards laws in active SAICM GEF project countries
Since the inception of the SAICM GEF project, the Lead Paint Alliance has been working with over 60 countries, assisting them in taking steps towards the development of lead paint laws.

26 countries are currently in the early and final stages of drafting a lead paint law.

8 countries have announced they have successfully established lead paint laws since the beginning of the project in 2019.

79 countries (41%) worldwide are in the stage 5 – Final lead paint laws.
Question 1

What is your country currently doing to move toward the next stage in establishing a law? If progress is not being made, what barriers are in the way?

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Thank you!
Background for Question 2 – Regional Approaches

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Percent and numbers of countries with lead paint laws in each UNEP region, as of December 2020

- **100% 2 countries**
  - Africa
- **38% 13 countries**
  - Asia and the Pacific
  - West Asia
  - Latin American and the Caribbean
  - North America
- **11% 6 countries**
  - Europe
- **45% 5 countries**
  - 78% 42 countries
  - 28% 11 countries
To create a level playing field, it is helpful when all the countries in a region have consistent and strong laws.

Benefits of consistent regional laws include:
- Support an extension of market shares for paint producers manufacturing compliant paint across the region
- Avoid the creation of barriers to trade between countries in the region
- Prevent trade of non-regulated lead paint across borders with neighbouring countries

Examples of existing regional regulations on lead paint are:
- EU Reach in the European Union
- East African Community Regional Standard

Additional regional groups are currently developing regional lead paint laws, as standards or technical regulations
- ECOWAS Regional Standard (ECOSHAM) on lead paint
- Eurasian Economic Union’s Regional Technical Regulation
In your opinion, how is activity to establish laws in your region leading to action toward laws in your own country, or alternatively, how have laws in your country led to action toward laws in your region? If it is not, how could the benefits of consistent laws across a region motivate action in your country?

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Awareness-raising - an activity to generate concern about lead paint – among different groups of stakeholders and to ensure that the issue is discussed both publicly and by policymakers.

Advocacy is a form of awareness-raising, but one that aims to change attitudes, policies and practices.

**Tips on how to build a campaign toward laws that features**

**Global Status Update**

- Deciding on outcome
- Deciding on audience
- Deciding on what information to present – depends on audience and desired outcome
- Deciding on key messages and actions:
  - general messages
  - messages based around calls to action for different audiences

[https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789240011496](https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789240011496)
Possibilities for events featuring the Global Status Update

- **Appropriate actions based on country stages**
- **Workshops, webinars and round-table discussions** with stakeholders: to present technical information and explanation of the rationale and supporting evidence for the elimination of lead paint.
- Development of a series of **case studies** describing how other countries have regulated lead paint and/or how manufacturers have phased lead out of their products.
- **Social media posts** can be used to convey key messages about lead paint and can provide links to more detailed information.
In your opinion, how can your country conduct an awareness-raising campaign using the 2020 Update on the Global Status of Legal Limits on Lead in Paint to build support toward laws? If an awareness-raising campaign will not work right now, how else could your country use the Global Status Update to build support towards lead paint laws?

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Save the date:
LiP CoP Discussion 2
Date: 9th June 2021
Time: 16:00 – 17:30 (GMT+2)
Topic: Reformulation is entirely possible

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