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Inventory, Monitoring and Analysis of Obsolete Pesticides in Armenia for Environmentally Sound Disposal

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Researchers from the Czech Republic and Armenia are addressing the threat of chemical pollution in Armenia, posed by hazardous pesticide chemicals and the attempt of their environmentally sound disposal. Problems relevant to waste management, including obsolete pesticides, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)-containing oils, etc. are of priority, urgency and importance for Armenia. The complexity of resolving these problems is aggravated by the fact that in Armenia there are lacking specialized sites for toxic waste treatment/decontamination of toxic waste, industrial facilities for processing and destruction of hazardous wastes.

The project aim is to provide the necessary facilities and training in order to characterize pesticide residues throughout the country. A centralized laboratory is being equipped for the chemical analysis comprising the requisite instrumentation such as gas chromatographic mass spectrometry and young scientists are being trained for standard operation procedures for sampling and analysis.

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