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## Celebrating 5 Years of the WHO Lead Week of Action



2017 Volcano Art Prize (VAP) Entry. Title: 1.2 million, Lead-safety Message: The LEAD Group's target for 2018 is that 1.2 million people ask their doctor for a blood lead test and start to reduce their body burden of lead. Artists: Elizabeth O'Brien (text, film & voice), Ian Smith (soundtrack), Poornima Murthy (editor). Materials: Video filmed on iPhone 4S. Voice improvisation composed by Ian Smith, recorded & edited using Ableton. Edited using Filmora by Wondershare.

<http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/1.2-million/>;

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SgtTm1p-JDc>

### Editorial

The International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action is held in October every year since 2013 and this year organisations from 42 countries held an event. We have event reports from eight organisations from around the world to showcase the need for public awareness in eliminating and preventing lead poisoning.



The Lead Week of Action has a particular focus on eliminating lead in paint, one of the major contributors to lead poisoning. This is showcased in the Les Amis de la Terre (ADT) / Friends of the Earth (FOE) event report on their use of a press conference and debate conference in hope to develop regulations and standards to phase out lead in paint in their respective countries. There is both a French and English ADT event report which was kindly translated by our Spanish and French translator volunteer, Orlando Aguirre-Lopez. Following the 2017 reports is the ADT's 2016 event report in French. Children's Environmental Health Foundation, Republic of Zambia, (CHEF) event reports also utilised a press conference and several of the PowerPoint materials on lead poisoning that were used during the event are accessible through our library.

Public awareness is effective in facilitating change. This can be seen in Toxics Link, an organisation in India, who reports on how their continuous efforts resulted in the government of India issuing a gazette notification for lead in paint that was enforced in November 2017. Following this, is the event report from Environmental and Social Development (ESDO), an organisation in Bangladesh that started the lead free paint campaign in Bangladesh in 2008. ESDO used a rally and human chain that was widely documented by the media to promote awareness of lead in paint.

Aside from lead in paint, lead in dust is common and during the Lead Week of Action, the National Institute of Public Health in Slovenia, focused on preventing exposure to dust by running workshops on hygiene and healthy diets.

Generating social awareness and educating the public is a key process in reducing lead poisoning. The Shelby County Event in the United States of America reports on their various displays of information on protecting young children and homes from lead poisoning. The following report from Ulster University, Northern Ireland, provides further information on how lead toxication impacts on pregnant woman and a possible new technology to detect toxicity levels of lead.

The final event report is the event we run yearly in Australia which is the Volcano Art Prize Competition and includes a variety of the colourful entries with lead safe messages.

Following these event reports is a short summary of each event that was held during the Lead Week of Action in 2017. Concluding this newsletter is a list and maps of all the countries that held an event during the Lead Week of Action from 2013-2017. It is clear that preventing lead poisoning has become increasingly important and more organisations around the world are joining in to tackle this challenge. The LEAD Group particularly encourages countries listed on the last page of this newsletter to organise an event for International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action 2018 (Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> to Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018).



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## **Friends of the Earth (ADT) Togo Lead Week of Action Event 2017 (English translation)**



*volonté-force-travail*

*Written (in French) by Les Amis de la Terre (ADT) / Friends of the Earth (FOE) - Togo FOET «will-force-work», translated into English by Orlanda Aguirre-Lopez, for The LEAD Group.*

**Event:** press conference followed by a debate-conference and mobilization for the creation of a regulation to ban the production, commercialization, and use of lead paint in Togo.

**Date, Time and Location:** 23 October 2017, from 9am to 1:30pm, Lomé, Entente du CASEF, Togo

### **Description of the Event:**

#### **Activity 1: organization of a press conference**

#### **Three statements were raised about:**

- The challenges associated with the use of lead paint;
- The aims of the Semaine d'action internationale pour la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb/ International Week of Action for the Elimination of Lead Paint (GAELP);
- The necessity of adopting legislation for banning lead paint in Togo.

After this series of presentations, a debate was opened. The interventions have allowed the organizers to evaluate the level of media mobilization, the pros and cons of compromising Togo in the elimination of lead paint.

Such as the last year, the debates have been long. The problems around intoxication with lead from paint constitute a subject that continues year after year. Different aspects of the question have been analyzed by the journalists; this shows that the theme is not only a question of curiosity, but of interest for the society as well.

After the discussions, the participants decided their commitment to getting together in an alliance in front of the decision makers for the creation and setting of a regulation targeting a ban on the production, commercialization and use of lead paint in Togo.



## **Activity 2: organization of a debate-conference**

One by one, the following themes were the subject of presentations:

- The challenges associated with the use of lead paint;
- The aims of the International Action Week for the Prevention of Intoxication with Lead;
- The necessity of adopting legislation banning lead paint in Togo.

It was a meeting of participants who were very anxious for information about the subject and who have followed attentively the different presentations. The questions allowed participants to lament the deficit of information about such an important subject over such a long time. Being grateful to the organizers, who have the merit of lighting their lanterns about that; the participants are committed to raise the subject inside their respective communities. The documentation that has been put in their hands has allowed them to better understand key aspects of the question. Most of the participants have signed an engagement card (petition), asserting their agreement in favour of a Togo free from lead paint, by 2020.

- This list of signatures from participants supporting a ban on lead paint in Togo by 2020, was the outcome that the event was designed to achieve.

## **Activity 1: organization of a press conference**

**10 representatives of press groups are informed about the intoxication with lead from paint and have the idea of presenting the information to the general public.**

## **Activity 2: organization of a debate-conference**

One debate, including 12 officials of ministries in charge of the environment and health, 8 economic operators of paint, 3 physicians, 5 university teachers, 6 students of faculties directly concerned, 10 NGOs for the environment and consumers, 6 representatives of SNU [Système des Nations Unies / United Nations] (PMF FEM [Programme de Micro Financement du Fonds pour l'Environnement Mondial / Program Micro Finance Fund for Global Environment], OMS [L'Organisation Mondiale de la Santé (OMS) / The World Health Organization (WHO)], UNICEF [Fonds des Nations Unies pour l'Enfance / United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund]) about the challenges associated with the use of lead paint, were all in favour of setting regulations and other prevention measures against intoxication with lead.





- **Target audience(s)**

**Activity 1 (A.1):** The newspapers;

**Activity 2 (A.2.):** the officials of public administration, paint professionals, health professionals, the universities, the media and public interest groups.

**Sponsor:**

PMF FEM [Programme de Micro Financement du Fonds pour l'Environnement Mondial / Program Micro Finance Fund for Global Environment].

**Attendees:**

**Activity 1:** seventeen (17) people representing the press organisations have participated in the press conference, i.e: written articles for their newspaper (Union for the Country, Independent Express, The Guardian), written press online (Gapola.net, Togotopnews, Afreepress, Manationtogo.com), television (TV7), or radio (Zephyr, Carre Youngs, Nana FM, Pyramide FM, Victory FM, Kanal FM).

**Activity 2:** 34 participants, being the officials of public administration (Direction de l'environnement / Environment Directorate, Agence nationale de gestion de l'environnement / National Agency of Environmental Management, Ministère de la Santé / Ministry of Health, etc.), the societies of commercialization of paints (Ets Delta peinture / Ets Delta Paint), the organizations of painters (Syndicat National de Peinture du Togo / National Paint Union of Togo), the professionals of health (Internal medicine, diabetes specialist), the members of university (Université de Lomé / University of Lomé), the media, NGOs and associations (Association Togolaise des Consommateurs / Togo Association of Consumers, Ligue des Consommateurs du Togo / League of Consumers of Togo, etc.) have taken part in the debate-conference.

**Prominent People:** (the most important people that came and, and why they are prominent or important people)

-The representative of the Direction de l'environnement / Environment Directorate: he is an important person because the director of environment was interested and supposed to attend, given the environmental dimension in the options of development.

-The internal physician, diabetes specialist: this was very important because of the explanations given to the participants in order to show the stakes attached to the intoxication with lead paint. He told the assembly about the cares necessary to take for confronting the potential source of exposition to lead.



- One of the representatives of the Ministère de la santé / Ministry of Health stated his commitment to continuing the dynamism of this conference in making Togo free of lead paint intoxication

**Event Agenda:**

<b>PROGRAM : 23 October 2017</b>			
<b>Session Number</b>	<b>Schedule</b>	<b>Activities of Press Conference</b>	<b>Actors</b>
1	7h 45-08h 00	Arrival of media women and men	Media women and men
2	08h 05-8h 10	Welcome speech	M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm, acting Director, of the NGO Friends of Togo Land, jurist, environmentalist, Coordinator of project « Study of paints in Togo »
3	8h10-8h 25	Statements about <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the challenges attached to the use of lead paint</li> <li>- the right justification of the international action week for the prevention of intoxication with lead and</li> <li>- the need of adopting a legislation suspending the lead paint in Togo</li> </ul>	M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme, Environmentalist Jurist, resource Person
4	8h 25-8h 50	Time for questions and answers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm</li> <li>- M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme</li> </ul>



5	8h 50-8h 55	The taking of commitment of the press in favour of a Togo free from the intoxication with lead.	Media women and men, organizers
6	8h 55-9 h00	Thank you speech	M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm
7	9h 00	Snack and departure of media women and men	Media women and men, organizers

Session Number	Schedule	Activities of Debate Conference	Actors
8	9h 10	Entrance of the participants for the debate-conference	Participants, organizers
9	9h 20-9h 25	Welcoming	M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm, Acting director of the NGO The Friends of the Togo Land, jurist  Environmentalist, Coordinator of Project « Etude de peintures au Togo »
10	9h 25-10h 25	Statements about <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The challenges attached to the use of the lead paint</li> <li>- The right justification of the international action week for the prevention of the intoxication with lead and</li> <li>- The need of adopting a legislation suspending the lead paint in Togo</li> </ul>	Media women and men  M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme
11	10h 25-10h 45	Brief presentation of the outcomes of the study of paints in Togo	M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme





12	10h 45-11h 45	Exchanges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Participants, Representatives of Ministry in charge of the environment</li> <li>- M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm</li> <li>- M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme</li> </ul>
13	11h 45- 11h 55	Taking the commitments of the decision-making participants in favour of a Togo free from intoxication with lead	Decision-making participants
14	11h 55-12h 00	Thanks speech	M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm
15	12h 00	Snack and departure of participants	Participants, organizers

### Event Materials:

We have used the materials available at the Web site of L'Organisation Mondiale de la Santé (OMS) / The World Health Organization (WHO)

([http://www.who.int/ipcs/lead\\_campaign/fr/](http://www.who.int/ipcs/lead_campaign/fr/)) and the one sent by Manny Calonzo of IPEN [International Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) Elimination Network]

(<http://www.ipen.org/>).



### Media Coverage:

All the press organisations that have taken part in the press conference have passed information to the grand public.

Among the online publications we can note:

<http://togotopnews.com/index.php/sante/item/562-l-ong-les-amis-de-la-terre-togo-en-guerre-contre-l-intoxication-au-plomb>



<http://afreepress.info/afreepress/index.php/nouvelles/sante/item/2635-l-ong-les-amis-de-la-terre-togo-contre-l-utilisation-de-la-peinture-au-plomb-au-togo>

<http://www.gapola.net/2017/10/les-amis-de-la-terre-togo-engages.html>

<http://www.manationtogo.com/les-amis-de-la-terre-togo-plaide-pour-linterdiction-de-la-peinture-au-plomb-au-togo/>

<https://lesamisdelaterretogo.wordpress.com/2017/10/23/semaine-daction-de-prevention-de-lintoxication-au-plomb/>

One video about two minutes long will be posted very shortly in the network and the link will be notified.

## **Evaluation**

### Turnout of Event

- Activity 1: More than 10 people attended, they were men and women of the media, 17 people have taken part of the event, being a surplus of seven people.
- Activity 2: Over 50 people responded, 34 participated in the debate conference, 16 have not been able to honour with their presence the debate-conference.

In total, given the political climate at the moment, marked by politic demonstrations organized by the opposition, and also counter-demonstrations begun by the government, that has created a tension in the country, the turnout was impressive. The number of participants might have been bigger if it wasn't for that psychosis in the country.

In general the target groups attended. It can be noted that the institutions of the system of the United Nations were invited but were not able to participate in the debate-conference. Nevertheless, the PMF/FEM has provided financial support.

### Success of Event and possible improvements

In general we were in the limits of the objectives set. We have not been able to raise the challenge of the number participants attending, nor could we stay on track with the agenda. The media arrived later than expected, which had an incidence on the timing of the two activities. Next time we will not start the press conference so early (7 H 45).

For next time, we would like to make stickers and other handouts that are going to stay with the participants after the act, and will permit them to keep the spirit of the



problematic of the intoxication with lead paint. They will be able of talking about that each time that is necessary to develop the cause of the international action week for the prevention of the intoxication with lead.

In the year 2016, we organized a press conference and this year we organized both a press conference and debate-conference. In 2018, we wish to organize some activities that can stay for several days with the aim that the question gets to be well known and taken into account. The Friends of the Togo-Land could, managing the ways, propose to the government the elaboration of a regulation tending to ban the production, commercialization and use of the lead paint in Togo.

### **Follow Up Plan**

We aim to build on the guarantees that the participants have given to both activities, and we have organized that through obtaining their signatures on the engagement card (petition). These cards will be a great support for us in order to raise a plea to the government for regulatory text about restricting the use of lead paint.

- To do this, we will work with the physician that represents the Ministère de la Santé / Ministry of Health, who is going to be our intermediary between his supervisor in the ministry and his colleagues to advocate.
- We hope to work with the institutions of the Système des Nations Unies (SNU) / United Nations (UN) for their moral and financial support.
- In this mobilization, we can count on the Direction de l'environnement / Environment Directorate and with the Agence nationale de gestion de l'environnement / National Agency of Environmental Management.
- We will collaborate with the media who have already invited us in their broadcastings and who have made the re-broadcastings through the radio (Radio Zéphyr).
- Finally, we will work hand in hand with IPEN and the Semaine d'action internationale pour la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb/ International Week of Action for the Elimination of Lead Paint (GAELP) with their allies in order to find a happy end to this struggle by 2020.

## Photos



Partial view of participants.





# Les Amis de la Terre (ADT) Togo Lead Week of Action Event 2017



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Modèle de rapport d'événement, Préparez un rapport de 2 à 4 pages sur l'en-tête de votre organisation, comprenant les éléments suivants:

**Nom de l'événement:** conférence de presse suivie d'une conférence-débat et de mobilisation en vue de la mise en place d'une réglementation visant à interdire la production, la commercialisation et l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb au Togo.

**Date, heure et lieu:** 23 octobre 2017, de 9h 00 à 13 h 30, Lomé, salle Entente du CASEF

**Description de l'événement:** Décrivez brièvement l'événement, notamment:

- Type d'activité (par exemple forum, pétition, manifestation, réunion, conférence de presse, etc.

## **Activité 1 : organisation d'une conférence de presse**

Trois exposés ont été faits sur :

- les défis liés à l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb ;
- le bien-fondé de la semaine d'action internationale pour la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb et ;
- la nécessité d'adopter une législation interdisant la peinture au plomb au Togo.

A la suite de cette série de présentations, un débat é été initié. Les interventions ont permis aux organisateurs d'apprécier le niveau de mobilisation des médias, les avantages et contraintes à engager le Togo dans l'élimination de la peinture au plomb.

Tout comme l'année dernière, les débats ont été nourris. La problématique de l'intoxication à la peinture au plomb est un sujet qui reste d'actualité. Différents contours de la question ont été abordés par les journalistes ; ce qui démontre que la thématique est non seulement une question de curiosité mais également d'intérêt dans la société.

Au terme des discussions, les parties prenantes ont marqué leur adhésion à mettre en place une alliance pour un plaidoyer auprès des décideurs en vue de la mise en place d'une réglementation visant à interdire la production, la commercialisation et l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb au Togo.





## **Activité 2 : organisation d'une conférence-débat**

Tour à tour, les sujets suivants ont fait l'objet de présentation :

- les défis liés à l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb ;
- le bien-fondé de la semaine d'action internationale pour la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb et ;
- la nécessité d'adopter une législation interdisant la peinture au plomb au Togo.

C'est une assemblée de participants très avides d'information sur le sujet qui a suivi attentivement ces différents exposés. Les questions ont permis de déplorer le déficit, dans le temps passé, d'information sur un sujet aussi crucial. Ayant remercié les organisateurs qui ont eu le mérite d'éclairer leurs lanternes, les participants se sont engagés à parler du sujet dans leurs communautés respectives. La documentation qui a été mise à leur disposition leur a permis de mieux cerner les contours de la question. La majorité des participants a signé la fiche d'engagement marquant leur accord en faveur d'un Togo libéré de la peinture au plomb, d'ici à 2020.

- Résultat que l'événement a été conçu pour atteindre

## **Activité 1 : organisation d'une conférence de presse**

10 représentants d'organes de presse sont informés sur l'intoxication à la peinture au plomb et sont enclins à relayer l'information auprès du grand public.

## **Activité 2 : organisation d'une conférence-débat**

Un échange impliquant 12 cadres de ministères chargés de l'environnement et de la santé, 8 opérateurs économiques de la peinture, 3 médecins, 5 universitaires, 6 étudiants des facultés directement concernées, 10 ONG de l'environnement et de consommateurs, 6 représentants du SNU (PMF/FEM, OMS, UNICEF) sur les défis liés à l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb et en faveur de la mise sur pied de réglementations et autres mesures de prévention de l'intoxication au plomb.

- Public cible (s)

**Activité 1 :** la presse (A.1.) ;

**Activité 2 :** les cadres de l'administration publique, les professionnels de peinture, les professionnels de santé, les universitaires, les médias et les groupes d'intérêt public (A.2.)

**Sponsors:** si d'autres organisations ont coparrainé l'événement, veuillez les lister.

Programme de micro financement du Fonds *environnemental mondial* (PMF/FEM).



**Participants: Combien de personnes ont participé? (Veuillez décrire le type de personnes présentes (par exemple, membres de la communauté, agents de santé, représentants de l'industrie, universitaires, représentants du gouvernement) et les institutions qu'ils représentaient (par exemple, Département de l'environnement, Université de xx, etc.)**

**Activité 1 :** dix-sept (17) personnes représentant les organes de presse ont participé à la conférence de presse dont : presse écrite papier (Union pour la Patrie, Indépendant express, the Guardian), presse écrite en ligne (Gapola.net, Togotopnews, Afreepress, Manationtogo.com), télévision (TV7), radio (Zéphyr, Carré jeunes, Nana FM, Pyramide FM, Victoire FM, Kanal FM).

**Activité 2 :** 34 participants, soient les cadres de l'administration publique (Direction de l'environnement, Agence nationale de gestion de l'environnement, Ministère de la santé, etc.), les sociétés de commercialisation de peinture (Ets Delta peinture), les peintres (syndicat national de peinture du Togo), les professionnels de santé (Médecin interniste, spécialiste de diabète), les universitaires (Université de Lomé), les médias, les ONG et associations (Association togolaise des consommateurs, ligue des consommateurs du Togo, etc.) ont pris part à la conférence-débat.

**Personnes éminentes:** dressez la liste des personnes les plus importantes qui sont venues et si ce n'est pas évident, ce sont des personnes importantes.

- Le représentant du Directeur de l'environnement : il est une personne importante parce que le directeur de l'environnement est censé veiller à la prise en compte de la dimension environnementale dans les options de développement
- Le médecin interniste, spécialiste de diabète : il a été très important en raison des éclairages qu'il a apportés aux participants pour montrer les enjeux liés à l'intoxication à la peinture au plomb. Il a expliqué à l'assemblée les précautions qu'il convient de prendre lorsqu'on fait face à une source potentielle d'exposition au plomb. En tant que l'un des représentants du ministère chargé de la santé, il a marqué son engagement à soutenir la dynamique en faveur d'un Togo libéré de l'intoxication à la peinture au plomb.



**PROGRAMME : 23 octobre 2017**

<b>N° de sessions</b>	<b>Horaires</b>	<b>Activités</b>	<b>Acteurs</b>
1	7h 45-08h 00	Arrivée de femmes et hommes de médias	Femmes et hommes de médias
2	08h 05-8h 10	Mot de bienvenue	M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm, Directeur par intérim de l'ONG Les Amis de la Terre-Togo Juriste environnementaliste, Coordonnateur du Projet « Etude de peintures au Togo »
3	8h10-8h 25	Exposés sur <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- les défis liés à l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb</li> <li>- le bien-fondé de la semaine d'action internationale pour la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb et</li> <li>- la nécessité d'adopter une législation interdisant la peinture au plomb au Togo</li> </ul>	M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme, Juriste environnementaliste, Personne ressource
4	8h 25-8h 50	Séance de questions et réponses	- M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm - M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme
5	8h 50-8h 55	La prise d'engagement de la presse en faveur d'un Togo libéré de l'intoxication au plomb	Femmes et hommes de médias, organisateurs
6	8h 55-9 h00	Mots de remerciements	M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm

7	9h 00	Collation et départ des femmes et hommes de médias	Femmes et hommes de médias, organisateurs
8	9h 10	Installation des participants à la conférence-débat	Participants, organisateurs
9	9h 20-9h 25	Mot de bienvenue	M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm, Directeur par intérim de l'ONG Les Amis de la Terre-Togo Juriste environnementaliste, Coordonnateur du Projet « Etude de peintures au Togo »
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11	10h 25-10h 45	Présentation sommaire des résultats de l'étude de peintures au Togo	M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme
12	10h 45-11h 45	Echanges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Participants, Représentant du Ministère chargé de l'environnement</li> <li>- M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm</li> <li>- M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme</li> </ul>
13	11h 45- 11h 55	Prise d'engagement des parties prenantes en faveur d'un Togo libéré de l'intoxication au plomb	Parties prenantes



14	11h 55-12h 00	Mots de remerciements	M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm
15	12h 00	Collation et départ des participants	Participants, organisateurs

**Programme de l'événement:** s'il y avait un ordre du jour formel pour l'événement, veuillez le fournir, y compris les noms des conférenciers, les titres et les organisations.

**Matériel de l'événement:** Avez-vous produit / distribué du matériel lors de l'événement? Veuillez lister et joindre des copies.

Nous avons utilisé les matériels disponibles sur le site web de l'OMS et celui que IPEN nous a envoyé par l'entremise de Manny Calonzo



**Couverture médiatique:** Indiquez la couverture médiatique et fournissez des liens vers la couverture.

Tous les organes de presse qui ont pris part à la conférence de presse ont relayé l'information au grand public.

Parmi les publications en ligne, on peut noter :

<http://togotopnews.com/index.php/sante/item/562-l-ong-les-amis-de-la-terre-togo-en-guerre-contre-l-intoxication-au-plomb>

<http://afreepress.info/afreepress/index.php/nouvelles/sante/item/2635-l-ong-les-amis-de-la-terre-togo-contre-l-utilisation-de-la-peinture-au-plomb-au-togo>

<http://www.gapola.net/2017/10/les-amis-de-la-terre-togo-engages.html>

<http://www.manationtogo.com/les-amis-de-la-terre-togo-plaide-pour-linterdiction-de-la-peinture-au-plomb-au-togo/>

<https://lesamisdelaterretogo.wordpress.com/2017/10/23/semaine-daction-de-prevention-de-lintoxication-au-plomb/>





Une vidéo d'environ 2mn sera postée incessamment sur le net et le lien vous sera communiqué.

**Évaluation.** Évaluez l'événement en utilisant les critères suivants ou tout autre critère important pour votre organisation.

- Le nombre de personnes présentes a-t-il atteint ou dépassé les attentes ou avez-vous été déçu par le taux de participation?

**Activité 1 :** sur 10 personnes attendues, s'agissant des hommes et femmes de médias, 17 personnes ont pris part à l'événement, soit un dépassement de 7 personnes.

**Activité 2 :** sur 50 personnes attendues, 34 participants ont répondu présentes, 16 personnes n'ont pas pu honorer, de leur présence, la conférence-débat.

Dans l'ensemble, le bilan n'est pas si mauvais, vu le climat politique tendu du moment, caractérisé par des manifestations politiques organisées par l'opposition et des contre-manifestations initiées par le gouvernement, ce qui a créé une tension dans le pays.

Le nombre de participants aurait pu être plus grand s'il n'y avait pas de psychose dans le pays.

- L'événement a-t-il attiré le (s) public (s) cible (s) que vous espériez? Y a-t-il eu une participation de personnes ou d'organisations que vous n'aviez pas prévues à l'avance? Qui n'est pas venu que tu voulais être là?

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Globalement, les groupes cibles ont été atteints. On pourra noter que les institutions du système des nations Unies, bien qu'invitées n'ont pas pu participer à la conférence-débat. Néanmoins, le PMF/FEM a apporté un appui financier.

- L'agenda de l'événement s'est-il déroulé comme prévu? Que pourriez-vous améliorer pour la prochaine fois?

Les médias sont arrivés plus tard que prévu, ce qui a eu une incidence sur le timing des deux activités. Les prochaines fois, nous veillerons à ce que l'heure de démarrage d'une conférence de presse ne soit pas si matinale (7 H 45).

- Avez-vous atteint ou dépassé vos objectifs pour l'événement ou avez-vous été incapable d'atteindre vos objectifs? S'il vous plaît, expliquez.



Nous sommes restés, globalement, dans les limites des objectifs fixés. Nous n'avons pas pu relever le défi du nombre de participants attendus et le respect des heures de l'agenda.

Avez-vous eu les bons matériaux / documents? Si non, quels matériaux / documents seraient utiles à l'avenir?

Pour les prochaines fois, nous aimerions faire confectionner des autocollants, et d'autres supports de main qui vont rester avec les participants après l'atelier, et qui vont leur permettre de garder à l'esprit la problématique de l'intoxication de la peinture au plomb. Ils pourront, ainsi, pouvoir en parler autour d'eux chaque fois que de besoin et faire évoluer la cause de la semaine d'action internationale pour la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb.

Que feriez-vous différemment si vous pouviez recommencer l'événement?

L'année 2016, nous avons fait une conférence de presse, cette année, nous avons organisé, en plus d'une conférence de presse, une conférence-débat.

En 2018, nous aimerions organiser des activités qui pourront s'étaler sur plusieurs jours afin que la question soit mieux connue et prise en compte. Les Amis de la Terre-Togo pourrait, si elle parvenait à mobiliser des moyens, proposer au gouvernement l'élaboration d'une réglementation visant à interdire la production, la commercialisation et l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb au Togo

Comment comptez-vous faire le suivi après la réunion? Prière de fournir des détails.

Nous comptons capitaliser la caution que les parties prenantes ont apportée aux deux activités que nous avons organisées à travers la signature de la fiche d'engagement.

Ces fiches seront pour nous un support de taille pour engager un plaidoyer auprès du gouvernement pour la prise d'un texte contraignant sur la peinture au plomb.

- Pour ce faire, nous travaillerons avec le médecin représentant le ministère de la santé qui va être notre porte-voix auprès de son ministère de tutelle et de ses collègues pour un lobby gagnant.
- Nous espérons travailler avec les institutions du système des nations unies pour leurs appuis financier et moral.



- Dans cette mobilisation, nous saurons compter sur la Direction de l'environnement et l'agence nationale de gestion de l'environnement.
- Nous collaborerons avec les médias qui nous ont déjà invités dans leurs émissions et qui ont, pour certains (Radio Zéphyr), fait la rediffusion de ces émissions.
- Enfin, nous travaillerons main dans la main avec IPEN et l'Alliance mondiale avec leurs partenaires pour trouver une issue heureuse à cette lutte d'ici à 2020.

**Photos.** Photos. Veuillez fournir des photos de l'événement avec légendes suggérées et attribution de photos.





Vue partielle des participants.





## Les Amis de la Terre (ADT) Togo Lead Week of Action Event 2016



*volonté-force-travail*

*Written (in French) by Les Amis de la Terre (ADT)*

**Name of Event:** Sensibilisation du public, en général, et des décideurs, en particulier, sur les dangers liés à l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb et les coûts économiques associés

**Date, Time and Location:**

- Vendredi 28 octobre 2016, de 8h 00 à 10 h 00, à Tokoin Casablanca, Lomé
- Samedi 29 octobre 2016, de 9 h 00 à 10 h 00, au quartier administratif, Lomé

**Description of the Event:** Briefly describe the event, including.

- Type of activity (for example: forum, petition drive, demonstration, meeting, press conference, etc.)  
Deux activités principales ont été menées : organisation d'une conférence de presse et sensibilisation sur une radio nationale

I. Organisation d'une conférence de presse

Il s'est agi de convier la presse locale et sous-régionale à une présentation (en fichier attaché) sur le thème suivant : **les défis liés à l'exposition à la peinture au plomb.**

La présentation était structurée autour de deux points saillants :

(I ) Que faut-il savoir sur les peintures au plomb? (II) Que faire pour éviter ou traiter le saturnisme ?

Après l'exposé, un groupe de 10 élèves de l'Ecole Primaire Publique Camp Gnassingbé Eyadema (EPP Camp G. E.) a lu un message (argumentaire) sur les raisons pour lesquelles il est important d'arrêter de fabriquer, commercialiser et utiliser les peintures au plomb, tout en formulant des mesures à prendre par les fabricants, le gouvernement et les consommateurs, à toutes fins utiles.





Les deux présentations (l'exposé et l'argumentaire) ont suscité des questions, auxquelles un panel a répondu. Au terme de l'exposé des interviews ont été accordées par l'exposant, spécialiste en gestion des risques chimiques et technologiques, Coordonnateur du Programme POPs et déchets chimiques, Point Focal CBRN Togo et l'un des élèves ayant présenté l'argumentaire.

## II. Sensibilisation sur une radio nationale

Notre organisation a participé, au lendemain de la conférence de presse, à une émission sur Radio Lomé (une des deux radio d'envergure nationale du pays) au sujet de la problématique de l'intoxication au plomb. Pendant 60 minutes, le coordonnateur du projet « Etude sur la peinture au Togo » et son assistant ont expliqué ce qu'est la peinture, le plomb, la peinture au plomb, les risques et sources d'exposition au plomb, les effets négatifs sur la santé humaine et l'environnement, ainsi que les coûts économiques induits par l'intoxication au plomb. Il ont également informé le public sur les couches sociales les plus exposées à l'intoxication au plomb, les modes de prévention et de traitement de l'intoxication au plomb, etc. L'émission était interactive puisque l'antenne a été ouverte au public qui a posé des questions et obtenu des réponses aux préoccupations soulevées.

- Outcome that the event was designed to achieve

Les deux activités visaient à :

- Sensibiliser les médias, et par ricochet, l'opinion nationale, sur l'empoisonnement au plomb et les coûts économiques associés ;
- Sensibiliser les opérateurs à renoncer à la commercialisation des peintures au plomb ;
- Présenter les mesures prises, par certains Etats, pour l'élimination du plomb dans la peinture ;
- Inciter l'Etat (plaidoyer) à prendre les mesures juridiques visant à éliminer le plomb dans la peinture, d'ici à 2020, et créer un cadre multipartite de suivi.



- Target audience(s)

La conférence de presse avait pour groupes cibles : les presses locale et sous-régionale; les jeunes élèves et le corps enseignant ; les associations de défense des consommateurs; les organisations de protection de l'environnement; les cadres techniques du ministère chargé de l'environnement.

La sensibilisation, à travers la radio, avait pour groupes cibles : le public en général, les décideurs, les parlementaires, en particulier.

**Sponsors:** IPEN et Les Amis de la Terre-Togo

**Attendees:** How many people attended? Please describe the type of people that attended (for example, community members, health workers, industry representatives, academics, government officials) and the institutions they represented (for example, Department of Environment, University of xx, etc.)

La conférence de presse a regroupé 46 personnes. Celles-ci proviennent des organes de presse publique et privée, (à la fois les presses en ligne, écrite et audiovisuelle) des organisations de la société civile (mouvements écologiques; organisations de défense des consommateurs; organisations travaillant sur la gestion des produits chimiques, et la problématique des catastrophes); du ministère de l'environnement et du monde scolaire.

La sensibilisation par la radio pourrait atteindre un nombre critique de personnes. En effet, Radio Lomé est la station radio la plus écoutée au Togo. De plus, il est accessible sur satellite et su internet à [www.radiolome.tg](http://www.radiolome.tg). Enfin l'émission « **carte sur table** » qui nous a accueillis est très suivie par les auditeurs.

**Prominent People:** List the most important people that came and, if it isn't obvious, tell why they are prominent or important people.

S'agissant de la conférence de presse

- Les personnes de premier plan qui ont participé à cette rencontre sont les professionnels des médias. En effet, l'activité en question étant une conférence de presse, le groupe cible principal est composé des organes de presse (22 personnes). Ils sont sensés d'une part, s'appropriier les informations mises à leur disposition par les organisateurs, et d'autre part,



les relayer auprès de l'opinion publique. L'un des objectifs de la semaine d'action étant de sensibiliser les populations sur la problématique de l'intoxication au plomb, la présence massive des médias à cet événement vient à point nommé.

- La deuxième plus grande catégorie de personnes représentée est constituée de délégués de la société civile (13). Les organisations de la société civile sont les principaux alliés de l'ONG Les Amis de la Terre-Togo dans la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb; c'est ce qui explique leur nombre important à cette conférence de presse. Dans le cas d'une campagne nationale de sensibilisation sur le sujet, leur contribution sera décisive.
- Au nombre de 10, les enfants constituent le 3<sup>e</sup> groupe de corps le plus important. Comme on le sait, les enfants constituent la couche sociale la plus vulnérable à l'exposition au plomb. Il est important de les sensibiliser et les impliquer dans le cadre d'une campagne de sensibilisation future. La participation de ces élèves est symbolique, mais démontre que nous comptons sur le monde scolaire pour porter haut notre message.
- Viennent ensuite le corps enseignant représenté par 1 personne et le gouvernement représenté par le représentant de la Direction de l'environnement, un spécialiste en gestion des risques chimiques et technologiques, Coordonnateur du Programme POPs et déchets chimiques, Point Focal CBRN Togo.

#### En ce qui concerne la sensibilisation à la radio

L'émission « **Carte sur table** » est suivie par la plupart des catégories socioprofessionnelles, voire des élèves et étudiants qui ont un peu de temps libre les samedis, jours de repos pour la plupart des fonctionnaires.



**Event Agenda:** If there was a formal agenda for the event, please provide it, including speakers' names, titles and organizations.

S'agissant de la conférence de presse, le chronogramme se présente comme suit :

N° de sessions	Activités	Horaires	Acteurs
1	Arrivée des parties prenantes	7h 45-08h 00	Parties prenantes
2	Mot de bienvenue	08h 05-8h 10	M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm, Juriste environnementaliste, Coordonnateur du Projet « Etude de peintures au Togo » <b>ONG Les Amis de la Terre-Togo</b>
3	Discours d'ouverture officielle	8h10-8h15	M. NADJO N'Ladon Casimir Ingénieur Biologiste, Spécialiste en gestion des risques chimiques et technologiques, Consultant International, Coordonnateur du Programme POPs et déchets chimiques, Point Focal CBRN Togo, Autorité Nationale Désignée à la Convention de Rotterdam <b>Direction de l'Environnement</b>



4	Exposé sur les défis liés à l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb	8h15-8h40	M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme, Juriste environnementaliste, Assistant au Coordonnateur du Projet « Etude de peintures au Togo » <b>ONG Les Amis de la Terre-Togo</b>
5	Présentation de l'argumentaire des enfants sur la nécessité d'adopter une législation interdisant la peinture au plomb	8h 40-8h 50	Mlle KARKA Asséssara, porte parole du Groupe d'élèves de l' <b>Ecole Primaire Publique Camp Général Gnassingbé Eyadema</b>
6	Débats	8h 50-9h 35	- M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm - M. NADJO N'Ladon Casimir - M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme
7	Photo de famille	9h 35-9h 40	Organisateurs
8	Collation	9h 40-10h 00	Parties prenantes
9	Départ des parties prenantes	10h 00	Parties prenantes





**Event Materials:** Did you produce/handout materials at the event? Please list and attach copies.

Plusieurs supports ont été produits par l'ONG Les Amis de la Terre-Togo, rendus disponibles par IPEN ou téléchargés sur le site web de l'OMS et mis à la disposition des participants à la conférence de presse.

Il s'agit entre autres

a. Documents produits par Les Amis de la Terre-Togo

- Du Mot de bienvenue du coordonnateur de l' « Etude des peintures au Togo » (voir fichier attaché) ;
- De l'exposé sur les défis liés à l'utilisation de la peinture au plomb (voir fichier attaché);
- De l'argumentaire des enfants sur la nécessité d'adopter une législation interdisant la peinture au plomb (voir fichier attaché) ;
- De la banderole sur l'événement (voir photo 6)
- Des T-shirts portés par les élèves (voir photos 7, 9 à 11).

b. Documents de l'OMS

- Différents posters disponibles sur le site web de l'OMS (voir photo 5) ;
- Qanda\_lead\_week2016\_fr (Voir IPEN)

c. Documents de IPEN

- Message from m Rep. Angelina Tan (Voir IPEN)
- Message from Sen. Risa Hontiveros (Voir IPEN)
- Final Final News Release for the IPEN Global Paint Report OK\_FR (Voir IPEN)
- Infographics (Voir IPEN)



**Media Coverage:** List media coverage and provide links to coverage.

Plusieurs médias ont couvert l'événement. Il s'agit notamment de

a. MEDIAS PUBLICS

(i) Télévision

- Télévision Togolaise (TVT) : Journaux télévisés du 31 octobre 2016, éditions de 13 h 00, 20 h 00 et de 22 h 00. Par ailleurs, un DVD sur le sujet vous sera transmis en marge du Forum mondial de IPEN à San Francisco.

(ii) Agence

- Agence togolaise de presse (ATOP) paru le 31 octobre 2016, 5 document attaché lire fichier en PDF « **Agence Togolaise de presse** ».

(iii) Presse écrite

- Togo presse, grand quotidien national d'information du lundi 31 octobre 2016 N° 9904 (Voir annexe, coupure de presse, page 17 « **Togopresse** »).

(iv) Radio

- Radio Lomé (journal parlé) vendredi 28 octobre 2016, Journal de 12 h 30
- Radio Lomé, Emission « **Carte sur table** » du 29 octobre 2016, de 9h 00 à 10 h 00. Par ailleurs, un CD sur le sujet vous sera transmis en marge du Forum mondial de IPEN à San Francisco.

b. MEDIAS PRIVÉS

(v) Presse écrite

- Quotidien Liberté ; (Voir annexe, coupure de presse, page 18, « **Liberté** »)
- Quotidien Forum de la Semaine (Voir annexe, coupure de presse, page 19, « **Forum de la Semaine** »)
- The Guardian (Voir annexe, coupure de presse, page 20, « **The Guardian** »)



(vi) Radios

- Kanal FM ;
- Nana FM ;
- Zéphir FM ;
- Victoire FM ;
- WADR.

(vii) Presse en ligne

- Afreepress : <http://mobile.icilome.com/news.asp?reg=&idnews=829155>
- Savoir news : <http://www.savoirnews.net/Intoxication-au-plomb-L-Ong-Les>
- Environnement-news : <http://www.environnement-news.info/sensibilisation-sur-lintoxication-au-plomb/>
- Radio Lomé (journal en ligne)  
<HTTP://WWW.RADIOLOME.TG/2016/10/28/LE-PLOMB-CONSTITUE-UNE-SOURCE-DINTOXICATION/>

**Evaluation:** Evaluate the event using the following criteria or any other criteria that is important to your organization.

- Did the number of people who attended meet or exceed expectations or were you disappointed in the turnout?

S'agissant de la conférence de presse

Le nombre de participants a excédé nos prévisions. Au départ, nous attendions une vingtaine de représentants d'organes de presse et autour de 10 autres invités.

A la fin, 46 personnes ont, effectivement, participé à la conférence de presse. Nous sommes satisfaits de cette participation massive.

En ce qui concerne la sensibilisation sur la radio

Nous n'avons pas un chiffre sur les personnes qui ont suivi l'émission. Néanmoins, beaucoup de personnes nous ont appelés au téléphone pour nous dire l'intérêt qu'ils ont porté à l'émission.



- Did the event attract the target audience(s) you hoped for? Was there participation by individuals or organizations that you hadn't anticipated in advance? Who didn't come that you wanted to be there?

La conférence de presse a rassemblé les groupes cibles attendus. Certaines organisations de la société civile se sont déplacées sans qu'une invitation formelle leur soit adressée. Il en est ainsi d'un organe de presse qui a été informé par un média tiers.

Par contre, deux médias n'avaient pas pu honorer de leur présence cet événement, en raison de leurs agendas chargés.

Nous aurions aimé inviter d'autres acteurs (ministère chargé de la santé, le bureau national de l'OMS, les représentants des fabricants et commerçants de peinture, les parlementaires, etc.) mais les ressources financières n'auraient pas suffi à couvrir les frais liés à leur participation.

Au cours de l'émission à la radio l'animateur a reçu deux membres de l'ONG Les Amis de la Terre-Togo, le coordinateur de l'Etude sur les peintures au Togo, M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm, et son assistant sur le projet, M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme.

- Did the event agenda go off as planned? What might you improve for next time?

Le chronogramme de la conférence de presse s'est déroulé globalement bien. Le fait que l'équipe de la Télévision Togolaise ne soit pas arrivée à temps a eu une incidence sur le temps imparti à la conférence. Nous en tiendrons compte à l'avenir.

La sensibilisation à la radio s'est produite sans aucune contrainte de temps.

- Did you meet or exceed your objectives for the event or were you unable to achieve your objectives? Please explain.

En se référant aux objectifs définis, en amont, on peut affirmer que ces derniers ont été atteints. En effet, les deux activités ont permis :

- De sensibiliser les médias, et par ricochet, l'opinion nationale, sur l'intoxication au plomb et son coût économique ;



- De présenter les mesures prises, par certains Etats, pour l'élimination du plomb dans la peinture ;
- D'inviter l'Etat à prendre les mesures juridiques visant à éliminer le plomb dans la peinture, d'ici à 2020, et créer un cadre multipartite de suivi.

- Did you have the right materials/handouts? If not, what materials/handouts would be helpful to have in the future?

Nous avons eu les matériels nécessaires pour faire le travail, grâce à l'IPEN, l'OMS et Dr KUEPOUO, Point de contact Hub régional Afrique Francophone de IPEN et nos propres recherches.

- What would you do differently if you could do the event all over again?

Nous aurions souhaité mobiliser davantage de ressources financières pour organiser au-delà de la conférence de presse, d'autres activités telles que : des conférences dans les universités et écoles, des émissions sur les télévisions et radios rurales, des marches de sensibilisation, des sensibilisations par le canal des langues locales dans les cinq régions administratives du pays pour que le sujet soit davantage cerné et approprié par le maximum de citoyens.

Nous nous proposons d'organiser (si nous parvenons à mobiliser des ressources) un atelier sur le sujet avec des professionnels de la santé, de l'environnement, les opérateurs économiques, les associations de défense de consommateurs, les parlementaires, etc. pour trouver les voies et moyens d'aller rapidement à une législation en faveur de la peinture sans plomb dans le pays.

- How do you plan to follow up after the meeting? Please provide details.

Nous envisageons :

- d'élaborer un rapport narratif sur les présentes activités à partager avec les structures suivantes : Primature, Assemblée Nationale, Ministère chargé de l'environnement, Ministère chargé de la santé et OMS.



- D'initier un plaidoyer pour l'adoption d'un cadre normatif sur la fabrication, l'importation, l'exportation, la distribution et l'utilisation de la peinture au Togo. Pour ce faire, nous initierons ou maintiendrons un contact avec la Direction de l'environnement, Point Focal national sur le SAICM, la Primature, et la Commission Environnement du Parlement Togolais pour les discussions. Nous élaborerons un argumentaire pour la mise en place d'une législation de peinture sans plomb au Togo.

Ce plaidoyer sera nourri des résultats de notre participation à l'atelier pour l'Afrique Centrale et de l'Ouest sur l'élaboration des réglementations et des normes nationales et régionales sur les peintures au plomb et la réunion sous-régionale pour l'Afrique de l'IPEN qui auront lieu les 8-9 et 10-11 décembre 2016 à Yaoundé.

Nous tiendrons IPEN informé de l'évolution du plaidoyer.

**Photos.** Please provide photos of the event with suggested captions and photo attribution

I. Photo de l'émission à la radio



Photo 1 : De dos l'animateur de l'émission « carte sur table » ; aux extrémités le coordinateur du projet et son assistant

## II. Quelques photos de la conference de presse



Photo 2 : Des journalistes consultant les documents mis à leur disposition par les organisateurs juste avant de suivre la présentation



Photos 3 et 4 : M. MOUGUE Bibi Pacôme au cours de sa présentation



Photo 5 : Au fond, contre le mur, quelques supports téléchargés du site de l’OMS pour sensibiliser sur le sujet



Photo 6 : la banderole utilisée au cours de l'activité





Photo 7 : Elèves de l'École Primaire Publique Camp Général Gnassingbé Eyadéma disposés dans la salle de conférence peu avant le début de la présentation



Photo 8 : Les panelistes répondant aux questions des participants, au milieu le Coordonnateur du projet, M. AMEGADZE Kokou Elorm



Photos 9 et 10 : Elèves de l'Ecole Primaire Publique Camp Général Gnassingbé Eyadéma, à la fin de la conférence de presse





Photos 11 et 12 : Elèves de l'EPP. Camp G.E, avec leur enseignant. Ils posent avec quelques membres de la société civile présents au cours de la partie



Photo 13 : Interview à l'issue de la conférence de presse : M. NADJO N'Ladon Casimir, spécialiste en gestion des risques chimiques et technologiques, Coordonnateur du Programme POPs et déchets chimiques, Point Focal CBRN Togo  
**ANNEXES : COUPURES DE PRESSE**

**PREVENTION DES INTOXICATIONS**

### « les Amis de la Terre-Togo » dit non à la peinture au plomb

Le siège de la Fédération des ONGs au Togo, (FONGTO), à Lomé, a abrité, vendredi une conférence de presse sur le thème « Interdire la peinture au plomb ». Initiée par « les Amis de la Terre-Togo » (ADT-Togo), cette rencontre avec la presse, s'inscrit dans le cadre de la semaine d'action internationale pour la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb. Elle a pour objectif de sensibiliser l'opinion publique à l'empoisonnement au plomb et d'exhorter le Togo à prendre des mesures pour éliminer la peinture au plomb.

**CONFERENCE DE PRESSE**  
 Organisée par Les Amis de la Terre-Togo avec l'appui de IPEN

*Les responsables des Amis de la Terre-Togo avec les enfants. (Photo Mlle HOMAWOO)*

Qu'ils sont beaux ces bâtiments scolaires, crèches, habitations, aires de jeu, matériels sportifs, jouets d'enfants et autres, lorsqu'ils sont décorés à la peinture ! Malheureusement, ce produit d'embellissement qu'est la peinture, génère, au bout d'un temps donné, des impacts négatifs sur la santé humaine. Tels ont été les termes introductifs d'une conférence de presse tenue, vendredi, à Lomé, par « les Amis de la Terre-Togo » sur le thème « Interdire la peinture au plomb ».

Défini comme métal toxique naturellement présent dans l'écorce terrestre, le plomb a de nombreux usages parmi lesquels les batteries plomb-acide pour véhicules motorisés, pigments et peintures, soudure, munitions, glaçures céramiques, bijoux, jouets, etc. On le retrouve dans certains cosmétiques et médicaments traditionnels. Son traitement, son utilisation et son élimination peuvent contaminer l'environnement et entraîner une exposition humaine, aboutissant à une intoxication.

« Les externalités négatives du plomb sur l'homme sont désastreuses », a affirmé le coordonnateur du projet « étude sur la peinture au Togo » de l'organisation « les Amis de la Terre-Togo », M. Amégadzé-Kokou Etorin. Aujourd'hui, poursuit-il, il existe des preuves inévitables que l'exposition au plomb nuit gravement à la santé humaine : la peinture au plomb altère le cerveau, augmente les cas d'amaurose mentale et réduit les performances scolaires. Elle réduit également les opportunités d'emploi et de productivité au travail et augmente le risque de comportement impulsif et violent.

Pour M. Amégadzé, il est dès lors impératif de renforcer et de porter, à l'échelle, la sensibilisation aux risques de santé liés au plomb, afin de prévenir des dommages à la santé aux générations futures.

A cette conférence de presse, une dizaine d'enfants, représentant tous les enfants togolais, ont lu un message conviant les fabricants de peintures à éliminer le plomb de leurs produits. Ils ont, en outre, convié le gouvernement à adopter, dès maintenant, une réglementation obligatoire sur les peintures au plomb et des mesures efficaces de surveillance et de conformité. Enfin, les enfants ont exhorté les consommateurs à acheter toujours les peintures sans plomb.

**Régine AKONGA**

### Des remèdes contre les nausées

Ballonnements, reflux gastriques ou contractions de l'estomac... Les nausées peuvent se manifester de différentes manières, mais il existe pourtant des astuces simples et naturelles pour les soulager.

Le gingembre est reconnu par la Haute Autorité de Santé (HAS) en France comme efficace contre les nausées, sous forme de gingembre frais, confit, en poudre ou en huile essentielle, etc.

En acupuncture, il existe un point spécifique « anti-nausée » : le point P6 (ou point Neiguan). Il est situé sur la face interne de l'avant-bras, deux largeurs de pouce et demi au-dessus du poignet, entre les tendons. Dès que vous sentez les nausées arriver, appuyez fermement avec votre pouce sur ce point.

Le citron serait également efficace, pris à jeun, le matin avec un peu d'eau.



## L'Ong « Amis de la terre-Togo » en guerre contre les peintures à plomb

L'Ong « Amis de la terre-Togo » s'inscrit dans la bataille lancée contre les peintures contenant du plomb au Togo. Dans le cadre de la semaine de la campagne d'action internationale pour la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb, tenue dans le monde entier du 23 au 29 octobre 2016, cette organisation a rencontré les journalistes pour les outiller, afin qu'ils sensibilisent à leur tour les populations sur les dangers sur l'exposition à ce métal. Cette rencontre a été tenue le vendredi 28 octobre dans l'enceinte de la Fédération des Ong du Togo (FONGTO).

Au cours de cette réunion, les responsables de l'Ong,

ont invité les Togolais à éviter au maximum toute exposition au plomb qui pourrait avoir de graves conséquences sur leur santé. Pour eux, le plomb est l'un des métaux les plus toxiques au monde. Selon les évaluations de l'Institute for Health Metric and Evaluation (IHME), en 2013, l'exposition au plomb était responsable de 853.000 décès, dus à des effets à long terme sur la santé. Les pays à revenu faible ou intermédiaire dont le Togo étaient encore les plus touchés par ce phénomène.

L'exposition au plomb est beaucoup plus dangereuse pour les enfants qui en payent le plus lourd tribut, car elle influe négativement sur le développement



Les responsables de l'ONG « Amis de la terre » lors de la rencontre avec les médias

de leur cerveau. Cette influence se manifeste chez ces derniers par des baisses de performances et la déficience intellectuelle. Chez une femme enceinte, elle peut provoquer l'altération du développement fœtal. De même, des études dévoilent que

l'exposition au plomb peut conduire à l'hypertension artérielle et à une insuffisance rénale. Il est également nuisible pour le système immunitaire et l'appareil reproducteur.

« Nous n'avons aucunement l'intention de faire peur à la population, mais plutôt d'éveiller son attention sur les risques que contient le plomb. C'est aussi pour amener les autorités nationales à adopter une réglementation pour interdire les peintures au plomb afin que la

population soit exempte de saturnisme qui est la maladie liée à l'exposition au plomb », a déclaré Pacôme Mougébibé, assistant au coordonnateur de la semaine internationale de l'exposition au plomb.

En ce qui concerne l'arsenal juridique, le Togo a ratifié les conventions internationales portant sur l'utilisation des produits chimiques, notamment la convention de Stockholm sur les produits organiques persistants, la convention de Rotterdam et l'accord de Bamako sur l'interdiction d'importer en Afrique les déchets. Il dispose aussi depuis plusieurs années d'une loi-cadre sur l'environnement et d'un décret interdisant l'importation de l'essence contenant du plomb. Les organisateurs ont donc lancé un appel aux autorités togolaises à faire plus d'effort pour prendre des mesures afin d'éradiquer totalement les produits à plomb dans le pays.

Shalom A

## Mise au point de l'ASVITTO

L'Association des victimes de torture au Togo (ASVITTO) trouve inacceptable les propos provocateurs que le Directeur Exécutif du CACIT, Monsieur André AFANOU ne cesse de tenir sur certains médias, et elle voudrait réagir par cette mise au point.

L'ASVITTO voudrait d'abord éclairer l'opinion que le « Fonds de contributions volontaires des Nations Unies pour les victimes de la torture », qui est la cause du différend entre les deux structures a été créé par l'Assemblée

organisation ; c'est le lieu d'éclairer tout esprit que le « Fonds » n'appartient ni à l'ASVITTO, ni au CACIT, mais il est plutôt destiné aux victimes de torture et à leur famille en vue de les aider à se remettre du traumatisme subi. Les ONG n'assurent que la bonne gestion du projet.

L'ASVITTO, fidèle à ses valeurs de justice et d'honnêteté, et également dans son refus d'être

le financement, histoire d'aplanir les divergences pour restaurer le climat de confiance qui avait prévalu lors de l'élaboration dudit projet qui avait reçu l'expertise technique incontestable des fonctionnaires du bureau du HCDH en février 2013.

C'est d'abord malhonnête et gravissime qu'à quelques mois de la fermeture du bureau du HCDH, certaines personnes puissent se servir de l'expertise des Fonctionnaires Onusiens pour se faire des grands connaisseurs.

## Ça va se savoir

### Assoiffés

Kadévi adorait le sexe, elle ne passait pas devant un homme sans scruter son entrejambe. Elle ne pouvait pas se donner à un homme sans lui avoir préalablement soufflé dans la trompette de chair. Elle rencontra Anbola dans une soirée dansante et elle tomba sous son

Liberté



## Pour l'importation des peintures sans plomb L'ONG les Amis de la Terre s'engage

Une conférence de presse sur la prévention de l'intoxication du plomb, a rassemblé vendredi dernier, au siège de la Fondation des ONG du Togo (FONGTO), médias et responsables de l'ONG les Amis de la Terre. Il s'agit au cours de cette rencontre qui se situe dans le cadre de la semaine internationale de prévention de l'intoxication au plomb, et organisée par cette organisation non gouvernementale avec l'appui de l'IPEN, d'attirer l'attention des autorités compétentes sur les conséquences ou effets de l'exposition au plomb afin que les mesures légales d'interdiction du plomb dans la peinture soient prises dans un bref délai.

A son ordre Koko Amegadze, président de l'ONG les Amis de la Terre, l'exposition au plomb peut être à travers les infrastructures et jouets peints. Pour lui, cette exposition est « plus catastrophique pour les enfants, plus vulnérable aux effets neurotoxiques du plomb ». A s'en tenir à ses propos, l'affection au plomb a des conséquences néfastes sur la santé humaine, sur celle des enfants.

« L'affection au plomb réduit leur potentiel intellectuel, leur pose des difficultés d'apprentissage et leur occasionne des dommages aux reins », a relevé M. Amegadze.

Une sensibilisation à tous les niveaux « sur les risques de cette les



au plomb », selon le président des Amis de la Terre, s'impose donc « afin de prévenir des dommages à la santé aux générations futures ». D'où l'importance de cette semaine internationale d'action de prévention de l'intoxication au plomb qui, selon le premier responsable des Amis de la Terre, « constitue une évolution vers une société plus sûre aux plans sanitaire et écologique ».

Pour M. Nadjio du ministère de l'Environnement, le Togo a déjà ratifié plusieurs accords et conventions interdisant l'importation des déchets dangereux et des produits toxiques en Afrique. Le dernier accord dans ce sens en date étant l'interdiction de l'importation de l'essence contenant du plomb. C'est pourquoi, après avoir félicité les Amis de la Terre pour l'initiative, M. Nadjio a rassuré tout en insistant sur la

sensibilisation autour de la prévention de l'intoxication du plomb qu'un texte sera pris dans ce sens pour mettre fin à l'importation de la peinture contenant du plomb.

Il faut préciser qu'au cours de la rencontre, les enfants, principaux victimes de cette exposition au plomb ont passé un message afin d'éliminer les peintures au plomb au Togo. « Nous connaissons le fabricant de peinture à éliminer le plomb de leurs peintures », nous invitons le gouvernement à accélérer, maintenant, une réglementation obligatoire sur les peintures au plomb avec une limite de plomb totale de 90 ppm et des mesures efficaces de surveillance et de conformité », peut-on lire dans le message des enfants.

Michel AKOETE

## Pour porter plus haut la musique Gospel togolaise L'UCET à la recherche de solutions



S'asseoir ensemble et réfléchir sur les voies et moyens susceptibles d'améliorer les artistes gospel à satisfaire le public afin de porter plus haut la culture togolaise. C'est l'objectif visé par les artistes de la musique Gospel regroupés au sein de l'Union des Chanteurs de l'Eternel du Togo (UCET), en organisant le 1<sup>er</sup> et 02 novembre, au Club des Jeunes de Cotonou, une journée de réflexion sur l'état de la musique gospel au Togo. Une occasion de trouver les voies et moyens pour faire évoluer la musique gospel.

Pour Charlebon, président de l'Union des Chanteurs de l'Eternel du Togo (UCET), cette journée est une occasion pour poser les jalons afin de régler au cas par cas, les problèmes qui minent la gospel au Togo. « C'est des jalons que nous sommes en train de poser. A partir de cela, nous allons ressortir les vrais problèmes qui nous avons et au fil du temps, nous allons prendre problème par problème, cas par cas, pour pouvoir profondément agir sur les problèmes que nous avons et les transformer en force », a indiqué le président de l'UCET.

Pour ce faire, pendant deux (2) jours, artistes instrumentales et structures de promotion auront à passer par des séances de travail avec des recommandations et placages aux finesses des travaux. C'est pourquoi, la rencontre du 01/11/2017

des travaux qui ont démarré depuis hier mardi, a vu les différents participants à être « actifs, connectés sur les actualités afin qu'il en ressorte des décisions susceptibles de révolutionner la musique gospel ». Charlebon a également tenu l'occasion à elle-même pour remercier les organisateurs de l'Union des Chanteurs de l'Eternel du Togo (UCET) pour leur aide à la musique togolaise en général, et la gospel en particulier, et surtout, la culture togolaise.

Pour sa part, le Directeur de la promotion des arts et de la culture à qui il a été demandé de faire une communication portant sur les formations et les séminaires de voyage des artistes, a insisté sur le caractère des cas de voyage, le ministre n'a pas de pression outre sur les ambassadeurs et autres pour l'obtention des visas. Le ministre a ajouté, « apporte son soutien aux artistes, les aide à avoir une visibilité auprès des services concernés pour que ceux-ci acceptent de leur donner le visa ».

« Parfois ça marche. Mais parfois ça ne marche pas », a-t-il ajouté.

Les travaux de cette journée de réflexion qui ont débuté hier mardi, à l'issue de la 02 novembre prochain et prendront fin le même jour.

## Forum de la Semaine





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## Children's Environmental Health Foundation Lead Week of Action Event 2017, Republic of Zambia



*Written by: Michael Musemga, Children's Environmental Health Foundation*

### **EVENT REPORT**

**NAME OF MAIN EVENT:** Meeting of high level stakeholders for the development of regulations and standards to phase out lead in paint in the Republic of Zambia.

#### **DATES, TIME AND LOCATION:**

21<sup>st</sup> October, 2017 at 10:00hrs in Livingstone

Press release on high lead levels found in more than a third of solvent based paints sold in Zambia.

24<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 at 10:00hrs in Livingstone

Participating in the march past for celebration of Zambia's Independence Day.

27<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 at 10:00hrs Central business Centre Livingstone

Conducting person to person awareness raising to marketeers at the Central Business District market place. Awareness raising by educating marketeers on the importance of enacting the law to phase out lead in paint.

2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017 at 08:25hrs to 11:30hrs in Lusaka

High level stakeholders' consultative meeting on lead in paint legislation in Zambia at Nakatindi Hall in Lusaka.

**Description of the Event:** The event was designed to conduct High level consultative meeting aimed at lobbying support for the enactment of a law to phase out lead in paint and adopt 90 ppm world acceptable standard. And also meet the Paint Manufacturers, Medea houses and communities raising awareness for their support.



Type of activity: Press release, Person to person awareness raising to marketeers, march past with civic leaders and high level consultative meeting.

Outcome that the event was designed to achieve: The activities provided opportunity to engage relevant stakeholders particularly the government, industries, healthcare providers, academia, teachers' unions and public interest groups in supporting the enactment of the law to phase out lead in paint.

Target audience(s): The media, government authorities, Academia, the teachers unions, the general populace and NGOs.

**Sponsors:** IPEN.

**Attendees:** 31 government agencies, 5 Local Authorities, 4 regulatory authorities, 3 NGOs, 4 academia, 6 paint manufacturers, 3 labour movement and 6 Media houses ,

**Prominent People:**

- Hon. Lloyd Mulenga Kaziya MP– Minister of Water Development, Sanitation and Environmental Protection.
- Mr. Willieş Mangimela – Deputy Permanent Secretary Operations – Ministry of Home Affairs
- Dr. Francis Bwalya – Director – Health Promotion, Environment and Social Determinants
- Mr. Chiwele Kondomone – Assistant secretary – Provincial Administration, Southern Province
- Mr. Mwase Kumwenda – Parliamentary Counsel – Ministry of Justice
- Ms. Chilufya Chibiliti – Town Clerk – Livingstone City Council
- Mr. Timothy Mambalakata – Town Clerk – Choma Municipal council
- Mr. Cosmas Kalusa – Town Clerk – Chililabombwe Municipal council
- Mr. Sunday Chikoti – Economist – Ministry of Commerce Trade and Industry
- Mr. Goodson Mwenso – Paints Representative - Zambia Manufactures Association  
Mr Kabinda G. Mutale-- Director , Professional Teachers Union of Zambia  
Mrs. Emma Benkele -- Director Health, Zambia National Union of Teachers, HQ



## Event Agenda:

S/N	Activity	Time Allocation	Name and Organisation
1	Official Opening by the Guest of Honor	08:25 – 08:30 (5 mins)	Hon. Lloyd M. Kaziya MP – MWDSEP
2	Welcoming remarks (Description of Africa Lead Paint Elimination Lead project including introduction of spokesperson)	08:30 – 08:40 (10 mins)	Mr. Michael Musenga – CEHF
3	Presentation of Study Results	08:40 – 09:00 (20 mins)	Mr. Michael Musenga – CEHF
4	Health Effects of Lead in paint	09:00 – 09:20 (20 mins)	Ms. Florence Kabinga/ Mr. Allan Mbewe – MOH/UNZA
5	Global Efforts to eliminate Lead in paint	09:20 – 09:40 (20 mins)	Dr. Masaninga. F. WHO
6	Zambian Government response to Lead Elimination	09:40 – 09:50 (10 mins)	Mr. Sunday Chikoti - MCTI
7	Paint Manufacturers' Response	09:50 – 10:00 (10 mins)	Mr. Goodson Mwenso – Rep. Zambia Manufacturers Association



8	Questions from the audience/medua	10:00 – 10:20 (20 mins)	All
9	Closing Remarks	10:20 – 10:25 (5 mins)	Dr. Francis Bwalya – MOH
10	Director of Programs	-	Mr. Kachikoti Banda - MOH

### Event Materials:

Banners  
Fliers,  
Presentations

### Media Coverage:

- Times of Zambia newspaper <http://www.times.co.zm>
- <http://www.daily-mail.co.zm/beware-of-poisonous-paint/>
- Zambezi FM Radio facebookzambezifm94.1

### Evaluation

The event agenda went as planned and the major targeted audience and main partners anticipated attended and actively participated as shown by the High level Government officials attendance including the Honorable Minister as well as representatives from academia, labour movement ,WHO and the paint industry. Our objectives were achieved as all stakeholders voted unanimously in favor of the enactment of a law to phase out lead in paint in the Republic of Zambia.

### Improvements

To improve this event next time, we would consider having more campaign materials (handouts) and make the submission of the action plan cardinal.



### Follow up plan

1. Submission of strategy and action plan on the mechanism of regulations aimed at the elimination of lead in paint in the republic of Zambia.
2. Visit the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Water Development Sanitation and Environmental protection, Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Justice and the Paint Industry Association representatives. As well as the WHO and World Bank for the support and guidance.
3. Strict follow up on the CEHF and IPEN recommendations on actions by the intended.
4. Conduct visits to paint companies on one to one explanation and on spot education as paint companies need this approach for their understanding as well as for collective action once understood. Thanks once more to the IPEN team for your quick actions during our planning and implementation of the High level meeting, you have saved us as well as making us proud with our Government.

Secondly I want to state that the support rendered by the Ministry of Local Government Permanent Secretary Mr. Amos Malupenga is very rare and for this would like the chair of IPEN or WHO/UNEP to recognize this and communicate to the Government.

**NB:** Visited Prozam paint Managing Director Mr Andrew Bawden on 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 and had very fruitful discussion. He has pledged to produce lead free Prozam paint starting April, 2018. He has ordered Lead free Dryers and He is looking for alternative Lead free Pigments





**Photos:**



The Hon. Lloyd M. Kaziya MP Minister of Water Development, Sanitation and Environmental Protection addresses the delegates. On his immediate left is the Deputy Permanent Secretary Operations Min. of Home Affairs and on his right is Mr. Goodson Mwenso Paint representative Zambia Manufacturers' Ass, DR. Francis Bwalya Director Health Promotion, Environment and Social Determinants.



Dr. Francis Bwalya giving closing remarks and pledged the Ministry of Health's support for the enactment of law adopting the 90ppm standard and on his right is the Assistant Secretary at the Provincial Administration (Southern Province) Mr. Chiwele Kondomone.



Mr. Michael Musenga, National lead elimination advisor answering questions from the audience.



Mr. Sunday Chikoti, Chief Economist Min. of Commerce, Trade and Industry submitting on government response to lead elimination support



Part of the participants following the presentation





Part of the delegates pose for a group picture



Dr. Fred Masaninga, WHO giving a presentation





Ms. Florence Kabinga, Chief Environmental Health Officer MOH making a presentation



Mr Kachikoti Banda Environmental Health Officer MOH Directing the Proceedings



Press Release lead in paint Zambia report to fourteen media houses on 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2017 in Livingston



Ms. Veronica Phiri leads the CEHF team on person to person awareness raising awareness on the dangers of lead in paint to marketeers.





The acting District Commissioner for Livingstone, Mr. James Zimba in a jacket accompanied by the media visits the CEHF demonstration table on 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2017 after the press release.



The media listens to CEHF team explanation on countries having legally binding regulations on lead in paint.





Paint representative for Zambia manufacturer association making responses on behalf of the manufacturers



Mr Alan R. Mbewe Assistant Dean undergraduate UNZA school of public health making a presentation



Florence Kabinga Chief environmental health officer, MoH/ HQ making a presentation



Micheal Musenga CEHF National Lead Elimination Advisor making a presentation



Part of ZAMCO and Livingstone Press club looking at the press release



CEHF Banner displayed at the Independence day celebration – Livingstone





CEHF team participation during the Zambia's Independence Celebration in Livingstone Tourist Capital City on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017.





CEHF team after field visitation in the Livingstone District business center



## Research and Awareness Program on Lead in Paint, Lead Week of Action Event 2017, India



Toxics Link

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Toxics Link ([www.toxicslink.org](http://www.toxicslink.org)) is an environmental organization working on chemicals safety and waste management issues. The organization has initiated the issue of lead in paint in 2006 and published its first research report in 2007, which observed very high amount of lead in decorative paints. Keeping lead hazards and policy gaps in mind the organization then started a campaign to eliminate lead from paints in India. The organization published a series of reports (2007-2017) and information materials were developed to support the campaign. As well as pushed the policy makers to take appropriate actions.

Due to the consistent efforts by Toxics Link, the Bureau of Indian Standards revised the standards for lead in decorative paints to 90 ppm in 2013. Similarly the Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Govt of India has issued gazette notification for lead in paint in November 2016 “Regulation of Lead Contents in Household and Decorative Paints Rules, 2016” which was enforced from November 2017. Toxics Link has played a pivotal role in lead in paint regulation in India; however there was delay in issuing the guideline for testing of the paint samples. In this context Toxics Link tested some enamel paint samples and released the research report during the lead prevention week to create awareness among the policy makers and general public for better implementation of new rule. This report was covered by some mainstream media and coincidentally the Govt. of India issued testing guidelines for paints to supplement the regulation soon after the report was released.

Along with this a radio talk show in Apna Radio 96.9 FM (A community radio of the Indian Institute of Mass Communication, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Govt. of India) was also organized on 12/10/2017 before ‘Dipawali’ as it is an important Hindu festival and people use to decorate/paint their houses. So keeping that in mind the talk



show was organized to spread mass awareness on the harmful impacts of lead and new rule on lead in paints in the country.



*Radio talk show on lead in paint issue*

**Media Coverage:**

1. <http://www.hindustantimes.com/environment/if-your-paint-label-doesn-t-say-lead-less-than-90-ppm-don-t-buy-it/story-agL3ICozFbenZct1y2afDI.html>
2. <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/delhi/over-73-of-paints-found-to-have-excessive-lead-study/articleshow/61327095.cms>
3. <http://www.timesnownews.com/health/article/should-you-be-concerned-about-lead-paint-in-your-home-over-73-of-house-paints-found-to-be-unsafe/115580>
4. <https://youtu.be/dacSeQYyLI4>

**Report Link:** <http://toxicslink.org/?q=content/toxic-paints-report-lead-paint>

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## Observation of International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action 2017, Bangladesh



*Written By: Environment and Social Development Organization-ESDO Bangladesh*

Environment and Social Development Organization-ESDO started the Lead Free Paint Campaign in 2008 and has been observing the International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week-ILPPW since 2013. As a regular program, last year in October, ESDO organized a high-level policy dialogue involving government representatives with a view to drawing government's attention to enact ban on lead paint in Bangladesh. Along with this, a human chain and rally was also being conducted with the theme of 'Learn the Risks, Educate Community and Ban Lead Paint' where around 200 girl guides and young members of green club of ESDO took part.

Addressing the emergence of an immediate regulation on Ban of Lead Paint in Bangladesh, ESDO organized a high level policy dialogue on 'Learn the Risks and Ban Lead Paint' on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 at ESDO Head office. The main agenda of the policy dialogue was the enforcement to enact a standard for limiting of maximum lead content in paints in Bangladesh to fifty (50) parts per million within 2017. Emergence of establishing a national regulatory framework to control the manufacture, legal and illegal import, export, sale, and use of lead paints and products coated with lead paint immediately was another major issue discussed in the meeting. Government officials from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Department of Environment (DoE), Bangladesh Standards and Testing Institution (BSTI), and ESDO officials were present at the meeting. Government delegations urged for an immediate regulation to ban hazardous lead paint by 2018 and expressed the necessity to immediately publish the gazette for a standard of 90 ppm lead content in paint. Representative of Bangladesh Standard and Testing Institutions-BSTI informed that the gazette notification on restriction of the lead content of paint in Bangladesh to be 90 ppm is about to publish within a very short time.

An awareness raising rally and human chain were also conducted by ESDO team with a view to creating public awareness and drawing government's attention for an immediate regulation to ban lead paint in Bangladesh. ESDO organized the human chain and rally on 28, October 2017. As a part of the observation of 'International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week-2017, youthgroup formed the human chain demanding for an immediate ban of lead paint in Bangladesh by 2017. A total of 200 youth from girl guides' and ESDO initiated





Green Club members took part in the human chain and rally on 'Learn the Risks, Educate Community and Ban Lead Paint'. They were holding festoons, banners, and placards in front of the National Press Club, Dhaka. Apart from the human chain; a rally was also brought out from press club to Supreme Court to create mass awareness. The rally was held with a demand of immediate enforcement of legislation regarding the ban of lead contained paints in order to protect the environment and avoid human health hazards. Fact sheets and posters were distributed to passer-by. The electronic and print media covered the event widely with high attention (human chain and rally).

### Pictorials: High Level Policy Dialogue



Fig: Experts take part in the discussion



Fig: Participants demand Ban of Lead Paint

### Rally and Human Chain



Fig: Children support Ban Lead Paint in Bangladesh



Fig: Youth group and Children support Ban Lead Paint in Bangladesh





Fig: Youth group and Children support Ban Lead Paint in Bangladesh



Fig: ESDO chairperson along with the young participants in the rally in support of Ban Lead Paint in Bangladesh



## Living With Lead: Lead in the Upper Meža Valley, Slovenia, Lead Week of Action Event 2017



Written by National Institute of Public Health / Nacionalni inštitut za javno zdravje, Slovenia <http://www.nijz.si/>  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UClPyMQKRwlE9geMcuVM26Q>

In Slovenia, in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, we still deal with the problem of child exposure to lead. The problem area is the Upper Meža Valley, with long lasting tradition of lead mining and processing. Due to long lasting lead mining and smelting the area is polluted with lead. Consequently, concentrations of lead in the environment are high.

The biggest problem is lead polluted dust, which the inhabitants are exposed to through the gastrointestinal tract and the respiratory system. The main sources of dust are: dry soils, where lead accumulates in the upper layer and the lead-contaminated mining waste, which are used in construction works.

Since 2007, special remediation program, with the aim to protect human health, especially children, is being carried out in the valley. The focus of the program is on activities to prevent exposure to dust and its admission into the body.

During the 5<sup>th</sup> International lead poisoning prevention week, in October 2017, there were several activities in the Upper Meža Valley. NIPH (National institute of Public Health) Regional Unit Ravne na Koroškem carried out workshops *Let's play health* in local kindergartens. The workshops focused on importance of personal hygiene and enjoyment of a healthy diet, as health protective factors for the inhabitants of the polluted environment. In the workshops children prepared a healthy meal, they practiced hand washing and there were some exercises to emphasise the importance of physical activity.

A few older children in primary school made drawings, posters or they simply wrote something on how to avoid exposure to lead from the environment and reduce its intake into the body. All together there were over 100 products, mostly drawings. We invite you to visit the online exhibition:  
<https://myalbum.com/album/1UAVVT8HbmdZ>.





The Upper Meža Valley with 6951 inhabitants is situated in northern Slovenia. In 2007, The Upper Meža Valley was declared a degraded area and since then, several remediation measures have been taken to reduce human's exposure to lead. Remediation program includes: asphaltting the roads, grassing surfaces, soil exchange on playgrounds, safe gardening, wet cleaning of the roads, attics and facades renewal, complementary diet, soil and air monitoring, informational and motivational activities and blood lead monitoring.



Source: <http://www.sanacija-svinec.si>

**Photos:**

Photographer: Špela Hrenič



Exercises during the workshop



Exercises shown during workshop to emphasise the importance of physical activity



Exercises and Children holding lead safety posters and t-shirts





Children washing hands to emphasise the importance of good hygiene



Children cutting fruit to showcase an example of healthy eating





Example of a healthy diet and children holding lead safety posters and t-shirts



Children holding lead safety posters and t-shirts



**KAKO VPLIVA NA TELO**

- RAST, RAZVOJ
- ŽIVČNI SISTEM
- ČREVESJE (SLABŠA PREBAVLJIVOST)
- UTRUJENOST
- IMUNE BOLEZNI
- NEPLODNOST

**SMERNICE PRI ZAŠTRUPTIVI**

- IMETI 5 OBROKOV NA DAN
- VITAMIN C, ŽELEZO, KALCIJ

**KAKO GA VNAŠAMO V TELO**

- Z ZVEČENJEM IGRAC
- NA IGRISČIH (PESEK)
- IZPUŠNI PLINI
- BARVA VODOVODNE CEVI (BAKER)
- NEHIGIJENA
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**KAKO LAHKO PREPREČIMO ZAŠTRUPTEV**

- Z UMIVANJEM ROK
- Z ZDRAVO PREHRANO (KALCIJ, ŽELEZO, VITAMIN C) → IZLOČA SVINEC
- PRENOVA IGRAL (PESEK)

**ZNAKI ZAŠTRUPTIVE**

- PREBAVNE MOTNJE
- SLABOST, UTRUJENOST
- POMANKANJE APETITA
- SLABOKRVNOST
- NESPEČNOST
- OBOLENJE SKLEPON
- BLEDNA, GLAVOBOL









**SLOVENSKO**

**HOW DOES AFFECTS ON YOU**

- GROWTH DEVELOPMENT OF THE BODY
- NERVOUS SYSTEM
- INTESTINES
- FATIGUE
- IMMUNE DISEASES
- INFERTILITY

**GUIDELINES**

- FIVE MEALS A DAY
- VITAMINS, CALCIUM, IRON

**HOW DOES IT COME IN YOUR BODY**

- PLAYGROUND
- DUST
- PAINT
- COPPER PLUMBING PIPES
- NO HYGIENE




**LEAD**

**HOW DO WE PREVEN POISONING**

- REGULAR HANDWASHING
- HEALTHY FOOD (VITAMIN C, CALCIUM, IRON)
- RENOVATION PLAYGROUND

**SINGS OF POISONING**

- INDIGESTION
- FATIGUE
- NAUSEA
- WEIGHT LOSS
- ANEMIA
- INSOMNIA
- HEADACHE

**ANGLEŠKO**

Posters made by some children on preventing lead poisoning





## **Shelby County Department of Housing Lead Week of Action Event 2017, United States of America**



*Written by: Shelby County Department of Housing, United States of America*

Shelby County Department of Housing (SCDH) celebrated Lead Poisoning Prevention Week October 23<sup>rd</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Our goals were to provide all of the staff for the Shelby County Government, Memphis, Tennessee and as many as possible residents in Shelby County, Tennessee, information concerning Lead Poisoning and its prevention. The Shelby County Health Department (SCHD) Lead Prevention Program has partnered with us on the Shelby County Department of Housing's HUD Lead Hazard Control Grant since 1994. SCHD helped in the distribution of information concerning lead poisoning during Lead Poisoning Prevention Week.

There was a display at both the Shelby County Government East Administration Complex and the Shelby County Health Department buildings. Both complexes and/or building not only contain over 300 staff persons but also daily foot traffic of approximately 1000 public citizens. Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Health Department and October 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> at the East Administration Complex for the Shelby County Government, were the dates and place selected for the displays. The dates of the displays were chosen because these traditionally had the highest foot traffic. Both displays provided individuals information concerning lead poisoning, and the services each Department provides the public. Over 1200 individuals viewed the displays and over 300 individuals received information



concerning lead poisoning in English and/or Spanish. The Housing and Health Departments displays provided adults and children variety of booklets and/or materials, such as, “Learn about Protecting Your Child from Lead”, “About Lead and Pregnancy”, “Your Guide to a Healthy Home”, “Protect Your Child from Lead Poisoning”, “My Book about Staying Safe Around Lead”(coloring book), “Growing up lead-safe - Help Prevent Childhood Lead Poisoning” growth chart, and a flyer created by the Housing Department’s staff that provided an over view of the requirements and service provided by the SCDH ‘s, Lead Hazard Control Program. Also, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> information concerning the importance blood testing, the impact of lead on children under 6 years old, hand washing, working with paint that has lead in it, and the services and requirements of the Lead Hazard Control Program was emailed to over 6000 staff persons for the Shelby County Government.

Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home:

[https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-06/documents/pyf\\_color\\_landscape\\_format\\_2017\\_508.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-06/documents/pyf_color_landscape_format_2017_508.pdf)



The following are emails sent to the Shelby County Government Employees



TUESDAY OCTOBER 24TH

GET YOUR HOME TESTED

WHERE IS LEAD IN MY HOME?

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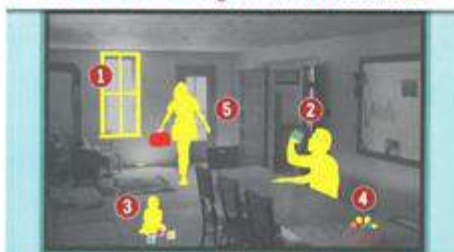
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If your home was built before 1978, there is a good chance it has lead-based paint. In 1978, the federal government banned consumer uses of lead-containing paint, but some states banned it even earlier. Lead from paint, including lead-contaminated dust, is one of the most common causes of lead poisoning.

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Lead can be found throughout a child's environment.



1 Homes built before 1978 (when lead-based paints were banned) probably contain lead-based paint.



2 When the paint peels and cracks, it makes lead dust. Children can be poisoned when they swallow or breathe in lead dust.



3 Lead can be found in some products such as toys and toy jewelry.



4 Lead is sometimes in candies imported from other countries or traditional home remedies.



5 Certain water pipes may contain lead.

Certain jobs and hobbies involve working with lead-based products, like stain glass work, and may cause parents to bring lead into the home.

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[Get Your Child Tested](#)

[Learn about Lead in Drinking Water](#)

[Understand the Facts](#)

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For an application:

Safranski Durr

901-222-7603





**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 25TH  
GET YOUR CHILD TESTED**

**HOW CAN MY CHILD HAVE LEAD EXPOSURE?**

Lead is a toxic substance that may be present in dust, paint, soil and drinking water. When ingested or inhaled as dust, lead poses a serious health risk to young children. Low levels of lead exposure can cause nervous system and kidney damage, learning disabilities, poor muscle coordination, slower growth, hearing losses and also speech. Fortunately, there are simple ways to assess lead risks and protect your child's health.

**Lead poisoning is 100% preventable.**

**Take these steps to make your home lead-safe.**

-  **Talk with your child's doctor** about a simple blood lead test. If you are pregnant or nursing, talk with your doctor about exposure to sources of lead.
-  **Talk with your local health department** about testing paint and dust in your home for lead if you live in a home built before 1978.
-  **Renovate safely.** Common renovation activities (like sanding, cutting, replacing windows, and more) can create hazardous lead dust. If you're planning renovations, use contractors certified by the Environmental Protection Agency (visit [www.epa.gov/lead](http://www.epa.gov/lead) for information).
-  **Remove recalled toys and toy jewelry** from children and discard as appropriate. Stay up-to-date on current recalls by visiting the Consumer Product Safety Commission's website: [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).

**Fight Lead Poisoning with a Healthy Diet**

[https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-06/documents/pyf\\_color\\_landscape\\_format\\_2017\\_508.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-06/documents/pyf_color_landscape_format_2017_508.pdf)

**Download an educational coloring book**

[https://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/coloring\\_book/Coloring\\_Book.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/coloring_book/Coloring_Book.pdf)

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Child Testing: Health Dept  
Betsy Shockley

**901-222-9492**



## THURSDAY OCTOBER 26TH LEARN ABOUT LEAD IN DRINKING WATER

### HOW CAN MY CHILD HAVE LEAD EXPOSURE?

The most common sources of lead in drinking water are lead pipes, faucets, and fixtures. Measures taken during the last two decades have greatly reduced exposures to lead in tap water. These measures include actions taken under the requirements of the 1986 and 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act

(<http://www.epa.gov/sdwa>) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Lead and Copper Rule (<http://www.epa.gov/dwreginfo/lead-and-copper-rule>)

Even so, lead can be found in some metal water taps, interior water pipes, or pipes connecting a house to the main water pipe in the street. Lead found in tap water usually comes from the corrosion of older fixtures or from the solder that connects pipes. When water sits in leaded pipes for several hours, lead can leach into the water supply.

Steps to take if you are not sure if there is lead in your pipes: Before using any tap water for drinking or cooking, flush your water system by running the kitchen tap (or any tap you take drinking or cooking water from) on COLD for 1-2 minutes.

Children and Pregnant women are especially vulnerable to the effects of lead exposure. Therefore, for homes with children or pregnant women, CDC recommends using bottled water or water from a certified filtration system for cooking, drinking and baby formula preparation.

The collage includes several informational graphics:

- WHAT IS LEAD?**: A fact sheet explaining lead's toxicity and sources.
- HOW CAN I GET EXPOSED TO LEAD?**: A list of common exposure routes.
- NEED TO AT LEAST**: A checklist of actions to reduce lead exposure.
- SEPA**: A logo for the Shelby County Environmental Protection Agency.
- IS THERE LEAD IN MY DRINKING WATER?**: A diagram of a house showing lead sources like pipes and solder.
- WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I SUSPECT THERE IS LEAD IN MY DRINKING WATER?**: A list of steps to take, such as flushing pipes and using certified filters.
- SEVERE LEAD EXPOSURE**: A graphic with a red 'X' over a house, indicating serious health risks.

You can contact MLGW for water testing supplies

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MLGW Water Lab  
**901-320-3962**





**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2017**  
**UNDERSTANDING THE FACTS**

### Shelby County Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Program

Shelby County Housing has administered grants through HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes since 1994.

- We assist owner-occupied and rental units built prior to 1978
- There must be children under the age of six living or spending a significant amount of time at the home.
- Occupants must meet income guidelines.

**Occupants must meet the following income guidelines:**

Persons in Household - Income must not exceed

1 - \$33,600	5 - \$51,850
2 - \$38,400	6 - \$55,700
3 - \$43,200	7 - \$59,550
4 - \$48,000	8 - \$63,400

- Your home is tested for lead hazards and other health hazards. Your home will be safe from these hazards.
- All work completed is in the form of a grant.

**You do not pay back any money for this work to be completed.**

- Your children should be tested for lead in their blood. Contact Shelby County Health Department for free testing.



**Before and after picture of a completed unit**

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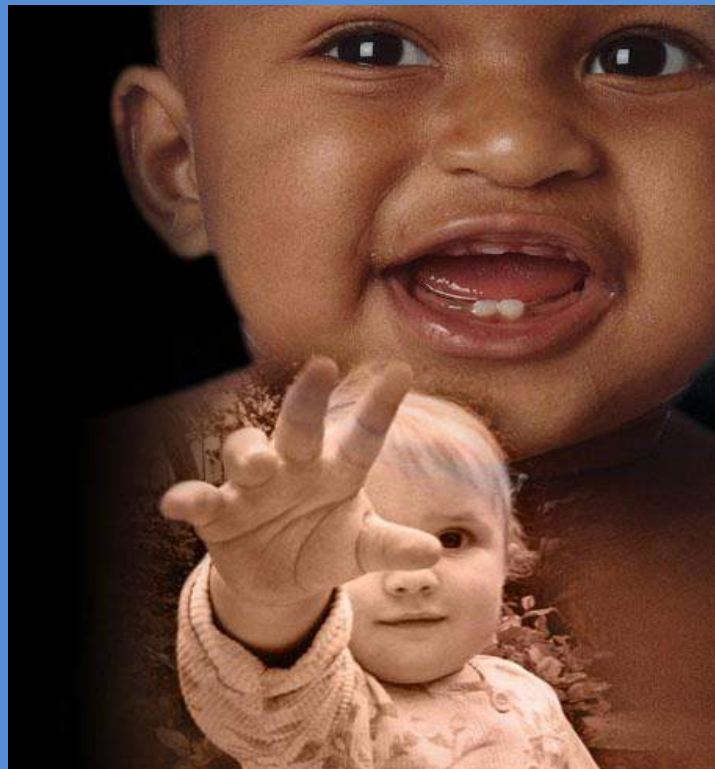




**Shelby County Department of Housing**

**Lead Hazard Control Program**

*Making houses lead safe for our children is our mission*



**Together we can create an environment that is  
Healthy and Lead Safe for our children.**



## **Is lead harming my unborn baby? Lead Week of Action Event 2017, Northern Ireland, United Kingdom**



International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action Event held at Ulster University on the 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 at 1800-1930 local time

*Event Report Written by Dr. Priyanka Chaurasia, Ulster University*

Creating awareness about lead toxicity in public is important. The event's aim was to generate social awareness of lead toxication and emphasise the severe impacts it can have, especially for pregnant woman. Lead toxication has become a rising concern due to its effect on the environment and human health. Sources of lead include ammunition, ceramics, solders, cosmetics, hair dye, airplanes, farm equipment, shielding for x-ray machines, leaded gasoline, batteries, and water carried out in lead pipes. During the event, a possible new app was explored that could predict the toxicity levels of lead on a developing foetus. This would be highly beneficial as biological monitoring techniques are costly and time consuming.

Numerous researches have recognised the importance of childhood lead poisoning and the need of intervention to prevent it. The neuro-behavioural toxicity produced by lead places huge economic burdens on families and societies all together. The concept of urban slums in urban cities is a common issue. Lead-based poisoning is more common in poorer communities in developing countries. Poorer sections of the society within an urban setup are more vulnerable to lead poisoning. Most of the lead comes from contaminated dust and drinking water. Water acquires lead as it travels through the widely used lead pipes to



homes and businesses. In addition to this, corrosive water can increase the amount of lead that is getting into the drinking water. Smoking is another common problem. Lead exposure through cigarettes has a negative impact on pregnant women health and influence the development and growth of the foetus. Furthermore, lead based industries polluting air is another major cause for lead poisoning. Creating awareness about the issue is the first step towards handling lead toxicity.







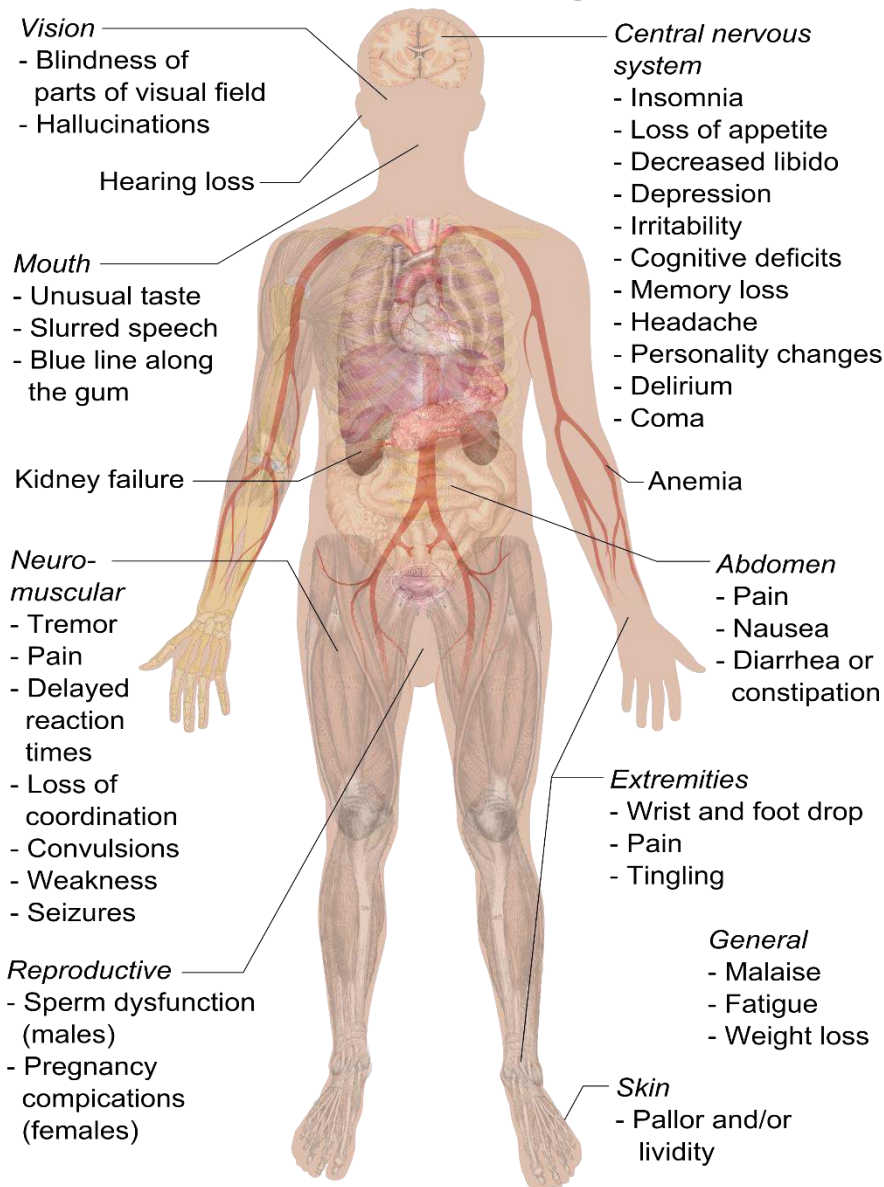
## Introduction

- Lead, an environmental toxicant, accounts for 0.6% of the global burden of disease
- Can permeate through the foetus blood-brain barrier
- Causing negative impact on foetal growth and the developing brain
- Literacy and awareness related to its impact is low
- Pregnant women are at a greater risk of suffering from neuro-toxic effects of lead



*High blood lead levels are especially harmful to children and pregnant women, and can cause "learning disabilities, behavioural problems and mental retardation," the World Health Organization says.*

### Symptoms of Lead poisoning





## Lead exposure pathways

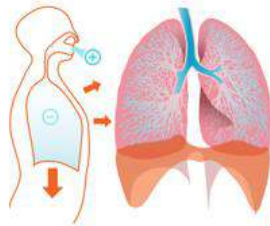
### Primary

- Ingested (hand-to-mouth)



### Secondary

- Inhaled
- Through skin



- ✓ Can be circulated throughout your body
- ✓ Some is excreted while some remains in organs and body tissues
- ✓ If exposure continues, the amount stored in your body will increase if you are absorbing more lead than your body is excreting

## What is lead?

- Soft blue-grey metal
- Found in the natural environment



## History behind

The words “plumber” and “plumbing” come from plumbum (the Latin word for lead) because the ancient Romans used lead for their water pipes.





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## How does lead get into the environment?



Lead paint



Lead based water pipes



Lead smelting



Disposal of lead acid batteries



Lead hunting ammunition



E-waste recycling  
Waste incineration

- ✓ A typical 17-inch computer monitor contains approximately 2.2 pounds of lead
- ✓ 500 million computers that will become obsolete between 1997 and 2007 will contain nearly 1.6 billion pounds of lead

Occupational Exposure to Lead



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## Common products that may contain lead



Toy maker accused of knowingly selling lead paint-tainted toys



An assortment of children's jewellery recently recalled for high amounts of lead. Claire's, Forever 21 and H&M and other retailers across the United States

Spacer beads' made of lead, which caused the baby to develop poisoning. Hidden danger lurking behind fashion jewellery



Lead Exposure Risks & Shooting Angles



Lead can be in the ceramic itself, the paint applied to the item or the glaze that coats the outer surface



Studies find synthetic fields have few health risks, although lead levels may be elevated in older fields. U.S. Commerce Dept.: 85% of Fake Christmas Trees Come From China, Made From Carcinogens, Toxins and Lead

A child wears safe face paints, but trading standards officials say dangerously high levels of lead have been discovered in the Tartan Collection brand

### Newest threat

Researchers find dangerous amounts of lead in fidget spinners. A variety of spinners tested positive for lead and mercury



- ✓ Turmeric spices found heavily contaminated with toxic LEAD
- ✓ Lead solder detected in can seams will eventually leach into the food product
- ✓ Report: Damaging Levels Of Lead Found In 20% Of Baby Food Samples



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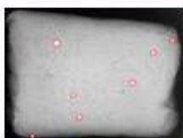




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## Lead risks- Harming our health



This x-ray shows a package of processed game meat. The white spots are toxic lead fragments from spent lead ammunition.

Lead lives in legs



"Lead shot" in these game meat packs can get into your leg from lead of 20-40 µg. Reduce the increased density on the radiograph (white spots) of the leg.

Lead shot in the hand can be seen on the radiograph (white spots) of the hand.



Nigerian children suffering in lead poisoning

- ✓ Lead is a known metabolic poison
- ✓ Dangerous to children's developing brains, and causes reduced intelligence quotient
- ✓ (IQ) and attention span, impaired learning ability and increased risk of behavioural problems
- ✓ These health impacts also have significant economic costs in countries



Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)



ADHD is a brain disorder. Has other associated "disorders" such as depression, anxiety, and learning disabilities.



A nail after one month of exposure to Detroit water (above) and Flint River water (below) Each nail was rinsed in flowing water before taking the picture.



### Killing Wildlife



Lead is an extremely toxic element that we've sensibly removed from water pipes, gasoline, paint and other sources dangerous to people. Yet toxic lead is still entering the food chain through widespread use of lead hunting ammunition and fishing tackle, poisoning wildlife and even threatening human health.



Using non-lead bullets prevents lead poisoning in wildlife



An 18-year-old nonsmoking man presented to the emergency department with a 1-week history of diffuse, colicky abdominal pain. He had had no change in his bowel or bladder function. He had worked in a battery-recycling factory for the past year. Examination revealed diffuse abdominal tenderness, as well as a bluish line around the gums, known as Burton's line. Results of routine hematologic, liver-function, and kidney-function tests were normal. Ultrasonography of the abdomen was unrevealing. The blood lead level was elevated at 81 ng per deciliter (3.9 nmol per liter) (reference range, <10 ng per deciliter [0.5 nmol per liter]). The patient was admitted to the hospital and started on chelation therapy with penicillamine. He was discharged in 2 weeks, after the pain had subsided and the blood lead level had declined; the Burton's line had disappeared. He was counselled regarding potential occupational exposure. In developing countries, occupational exposure is the main cause of lead poisoning.



### Philly's shame: City ignores thousands of poisoned kids

- "Whatever you're doing," he told her, "you have to stop." Take your son to the emergency room immediately, he insisted. Her son had a severe case of lead poisoning
- Deteriorating lead paint in the 1920s-era house
- Murad and his twin brother, Ihsad, moved into the house in March 2015
- Eight months later, they tested high for lead. Now the amount in Murad's blood had skyrocketed to 46, nine times higher than the level that triggers medical alarms
- The boys can barely speak because of lead contamination



Child brain scan image Affect cognitive development in kids



Large Quantity of lead paint chips can be seen in radiograph of the abdomen and pelvis of a 2-year-old boy with lead poisoning

- Children are most vulnerable to lead poisoning.
- In fact, two-year olds have the highest blood level concentration of lead, partly because they place many objects and toys, some laden with lead, in their mouths
- Children with blood-lead concentrations greater than 10 micrograms per deciliter (µg/dL), or one millionth of a gram of lead in about half a cup of blood, have excess lead exposure.
- Recent studies, however, have shown that children with blood-lead concentrations of even less than 10 µg/dL are subject to adverse health effects.
- Lead poisoning has been shown to cause cognitive impairment (decreased IQ) in children globally.
- A study comparing blood-lead concentrations and IQ in 172 children found that each increase of 10 µg/dL in the lifetime average blood-lead concentration was correlated with a 4.6 point decrease in IQ.
- In a subsample of children with maximal lead concentrations below 10µg/dL, a given change in lead concentration caused an even greater change in IQ.
- In addition to lowering IQ, lead exposure also causes behavioural problems in 5- to 7-year-old children who were first exposed to dangerous levels of lead when they were 1-2 years old.
- Children exposed to lead poisoning scored worse on a behaviour test for opposition, hyperactivity, and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) than did their peers.



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## **Volcano Art Prize (VAP) 2017 Awards Ceremony, Lead Week of Action Event 2017, Australia**

*Collage and Words by Poornima Murthy*

<http://volcanoartprize.com/who-lead-poisoning-week-of-action-vap-award-ceremony-2017/>

**Volcano Art Prize (VAP)** is an art competition held by The LEAD Group (charity organisation) annually for people of all ages. Two types of awards will be awarded – best entry chosen by the judge and best entry chosen by the people. Entering VAP could not just help you win attractive prizes but could also make you a Good Samaritan in spreading awareness about solutions to Lead problems in your day-to-day life. All the entries can be seen on <http://volcanoartprize.com/> and the winning entries (including 4 short films) can be seen in this slide show. Take this opportunity to check out the 2017 VAP winning entries and be inspired to take part in VAP 2018. The following three images are from the slideshow at: <http://volcanoartprize.com/who-lead-poisoning-week-of-action-vap-award-ceremony-2017/>



The fifth WHO International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action (ILPPWA) or “Lead Week of Action” was held on Friday 27th October 2017 at Summer Hill, Sydney.

Ordering a Lead Safe World Poster made from any Volcano Art Prize (VAP) entry, at [www.lead safeworld.com/shop](http://www.lead safeworld.com/shop) and give it to any place in your community where lead-safety messages are needed.





## Entries Highly Commended by the Judge

Artists: Elizabeth O'Brien (text, film & voice), Ian Smith (soundtrack), Poornima Murthy (editor) Title: 1.2 million

Lead-safety Message: The LEAD Group's target for 2018 is that 1.2 million people ask their doctor for a blood lead test and start to reduce their body burden of lead.

<http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/1.2-million/>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SgtTm1p-JDc>



2017 VAP Entry Title: 1.2 million, Lead-safety Message: The LEAD Group's target for 2018 is that 1.2 million people in the world ask their doctor for a blood lead test and start to reduce their body burden of lead.

Watch the film: <http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/1.2-million/> ;  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SgtTm1p-JDc>

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From the Volcano Art Prize 2017 graphics and events team:  
Elizabeth O'Brien  
Rekha Vasudev  
Poornima Murthy  
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**Description of collage from top left in clockwise direction:**

1. **Presenter Poornima greeting the MC Pia.**
2. **Alice Ju receiving certificate and mug reward on behalf of one of her students. <http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/lead-free-landscape/>**
3. **Peter Kozaitis receiving mug reward for his entry. <http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/elizabeth-obrien-at-work-in-the-lead-groups-office/>**
4. **Violet Winters receiving mug reward for her entry. <http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/cycle-of-life/>**
5. **Poornima Murthy's Cheque award for winning People's Choice Award. <http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/champagne-beach-vanuatu/>**
6. **Rekha Vasudev receiving certificate and mug reward on behalf of one of her daughter Ritishaa. <http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/outback/>**
7. **Mug awards won by Alice Ju's Students.**
8. **Mug awards won by adult entries.**
9. **VAP 2017 entry by Ritishaa. <http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/bushfire-sculpture/>**
10. **VAP 2017 entry by Poornima. <http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/champagne-beach-vanuatu/>**



11. VAP 2017 entry by Alice Ju. <http://volcanoartprize.com/portfolio-item/sunrise-on-beach/>
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#### International Programme on Chemical Safety

## List of events for the International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action Events 22 to 28 October 2017

To see a list of all registered events, or events taking place in your country, use the filter box below.

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## **List of registered events**

### **Algeria, Algiers and Annaba - National Center of Toxicology (Health Care Institution)**

**Title of event:**

International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action

**Brief description of event:**

Event was host in : Metro stations, Forums, Hospital

Aims :

- Present lead poisoning and its causes
- Raise public awareness about Lead Poisoning
- distribution of flyers and brochures about Lead
- guidelines about managing lead poisoning

**Target audience for event:**

- General public
- Health professionals
- Students of Faculties of Medicine, Pharmacy, Paramedical Sciences
- media personal reporting

**Start Date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

### **Argentina, Rosario/Santa Fe - Taller Ecologista (NGO)**

**Title of event: URL of Organisation**

"Lead in Paint: heavy impacts on health"

**Brief description of event:**

Taller Ecologista is going to present the report 'Lead in solvent-based paints for domestic use in Argentina'. The objective is to make known that there are companies which manufacture leaded paints far exceeding the limit of 600 ppm established in a ministerial resolution. Control measures will be called for to prevent this illegal production. It will be requested to amend the resolution to lower the limit to 90 ppm and to have paints labelled indicating lead content.

Representatives from government, industry, health, environmental and consumer protection organizations will be invited to take part in the event.

**Target audience for event:**

Government, industry, healthcare and civil society stakeholders, and paint consumers.

**Date:** 04/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://tallerecologista.org.ar/sitio/home.php>



## Argentina, Rosario/Santa Fe - Taller Ecologista (NGO)

**Title of event:**

"Lead exposure to environmental public health and wildlife."

**Brief description of event:**

Taller Ecologista is going to project in Ciclo de Ecología – a cultural space in Rosario with 24 years of experience - the documentary 'Custodians of the Territory', which is part of a programme related to the conservation of the wetlands, carried out by the Faculty of Veterinary Sciences of the National University of the Center of the Province of Buenos Aires. In this documentary, they make reference to the studies conducted by this and other institutions related to exposure to lead and environmental public health and wildlife. These studies have contributed to the first lead substitution regulations in the country.

**Target audience for event:**

Government, industry, healthcare and civil society stakeholders, wetlands protective NGOs, students.

**Date:**

30/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://tallerecologista.org.ar/sitio/home.php>

## Armenia, Yerevan - Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Call for more stringent national regulations on lead in paint

**Brief description of event:**

An appeal for dissemination in national agencies will be developed. A round table will be organized, a road map will be developed for bringing the issue of lead in paint to the national agenda using opportunities such as the ongoing discussions of the law on chemicals (expected in 2018) and the SAICM framework. The participating journalists will come up with at least 3 articles in the media. The initiative will contribute to the work started in frame of the regional Greenpeace-Russia's initiative (Fair Toys Project) to protect Armenia's children from the less stringent requirements of EEU's regulations on children's toys.

**Target audience for event:**

national decision-makers; mass media representatives interested in safety of consumer products; civil society organizations

**Start date:** 25/09/2017 **End date:** 30/11/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.awhhe.am/>



## Australia, Sydney, New South Wales - The Lead Education and Abatement Design Group Inc (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Volcano Art Prize 2017 Award Ceremony

**Brief description of event:**

This is a photo / short film / art competition event held annually. Any film, photo or drawing which has lead safety awareness significance can be submitted. The objective of this competition is to spread lead poisoning awareness among the general population. The art competition is organised by The LEAD Group - a lead poisoning prevention charity organisation. There is no age bar for this competition. Thirty winning artists will receive a pictureproducts mug with their lead safety message and photo printed on it. The Judge's choice and the People's choice entries will each receive a cash prize.

**Target audience for event:**

Volcano Art Prize graphics since the competition began in 2012 are all archived at [www.volcanoartprize.com](http://www.volcanoartprize.com) and anyone anywhere in the world is welcome to select their favourite VAP entry and go to [www.lead safeworld.com /shop](http://www.lead safeworld.com/shop) to order a Lead Safe World Poster of that entry. VAP is now open for 2018. Children and adult entrants from both OECD and non-OECD countries welcome. All children enter for free. Adults from OECD countries pay AU\$10. The winners from overseas and outside Sydney will have the opportunity to "attend" the Award Ceremony via Skype.

**Date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.lead.org.au/>

## Azerbaijan, Baku - Ecological Society "Ruzgar" (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Discussion of proposal on including of lead to the list of contaminants in the Environmental legislation of Azerbaijan"

**Brief description of event:**

The meeting of experts on chemical safety , NGO coalition on Chemical safety, scientists, University professors, Mass-media. Experts will discuss of developed proposal for including of lead to the list of contaminants

**Target audience for event:**

Stakeholders: Parliament representatives, Ministry of Ecology and Natural resources, Ministry of Health, Children Organisations, NGOs, Mass-media

**Date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.ruzgar-ngo.org/>





## Bangladesh, Dhaka - Environment and Social Development Organization-ESDO (NGO)

### **Title of event:**

High Level Policy Dialogue on 'Learn the Risks and Ban Lead Paint' and Rally on 'Learn the Risks, Educate Community and Ban Lead Paint'

### **Brief description of event:**

ESDO with support of IPEN, in line with the observation of ILPPW-2017 organized a High Level Policy Dialogue on 'Learn the Risks and Ban Lead Paint' on 26th October, 2017 at ESDO Head Office. Relevant gov. representatives, academicians and ESDO board members were present in the meeting. ESDO also organized A human chain and rally on 28th October, 2017. Youths formed the human chain demanding for an immediate ban of lead paint in Bangladesh by 2017. A total of 200 youth from Bangladesh Girl Guides Association and Green Club of ESDO, environmental activists took part in the campaign.

### **Target audience for event:**

Target audiences included professionals from health and education sectors and representatives of government's concerned ministries and departments who were reached through print and electronic media and through distribution of IEC materials

**Start date:** 26/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.esdo.org/>

## Bangladesh, Dhaka - Environment and Social Development Organization-ESDO (NGO)

### **Title of event:**

Ban Lead Paint by 2018: Act Now!

### **Brief description of event:**

ESDO has planned to observe the international lead poisoning prevention week this year through a human chain and a high level policy dialogue meeting.

Objectives of Human Chain (Rally)

1. Raise awareness through public involvement
2. Encourage industry activities to voluntarily stop the manufacture and sale of lead paints
3. Make people concerned of the health and environmental risks posed by lead paint

Objectives of Policy Dialogue

1. Draw policy makers attention
2. Eventually introduce a legislation regarding the safe level of lead in paints and implementation of regulation
3. To help prompt actions by governments and manufacturers to stop the production and sale of lead paints.

### **Target audience for event:**

Government representatives, policy developers, health and environmental experts, paint manufacturers, paint consumers, mass people and media.

**Start date:** 27/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017



**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.esdo.org/>

### **Belarus, Minsk - Center for Environmental Solutions (NGO)**

**Title of event:**

Presentation of info materials

**Brief description of event:**

CES will make a press-release about the Week of action, and release informational materials on lead in paint in Russian language.

**Target audience for event:**

General public, consumers, representatives of paint-production industry

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.ecoidea.by/>

### **Belarus, Minsk - Republican Unitary Enterprise «Scientific-Practical Centre of Hygiene» (State Enterprise «SPCH») (Health Care Institution)**

**Title of event:**

Republican Scientific and Practical Conference

**Brief description of event:**

Section Preventive, ecological and industrial toxicology  
Report "Biomonitoring of lead in paints"  
(Yurkevich E.S., Vasilieva M.M., Agamova A.D.)

**Target audience for event:**

Scientific employees and scientists of public health institutions of the Republic of Belarus, the Russian Federation, Ukraine, Latvia;  
employees of institutions of state sanitary supervision of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Belarus

**Start date:** 26/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.rspch.by/>



## Benin, Cotonou/Parrana – GAPROFFA (NGO)

**Title of event:**

National awareness campaign on the risks of using lead paints and their alternatives in Benin

**Brief description of event:**

Campaign is to contribute to the reduction of the use of lead paints in Benin in the short term and its total elimination by 2020. Activities:- Awareness-raising of targeted actors based on a press release on risks linked to the use of lead paints, - Organization of the sessions of advocacy of the authorities and Organization of dialogues with sellers of painting through policy briefs. The approach is based on Research Action. Target groups: artisans, political authorities, industrialists, consumers, health professionals, pupils. The expected result is that the dangers derived from lead paints are known at all levels in Benin

**Target audience for event:**

Target groups

The artisans of the small trade, especially painters-buildings, managers of various paint shops, consumers, consumers, political authorities, industries agents, health professionals, students are the direct beneficiaries of the project.

**Start date:** 24/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

## Cameroon, Yaoundé - CREPD (Centre de Recherche et d'Education pour le Developpement) (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Lead Paint-Free school environment

**Brief description of event:**

Cameroon is in the last phase administrative process to enact a regulation on lead in paint. Lead paint legacy will be one of the post regulation challenge to address to protect young children from lead poisoning. The colorful school environment bears most of that legacy lead paint to which pupils are exposed daily. To increase the awareness of the school community on lead poisoning, and the urgent need to switch to a lead paint free schools, CREPD will conduct one outreach activity on lead paint legacy in one school in Yaoundé that will be shared through social media and others with the larger audience.

**Target audience for event:**

School proprietors

School Head Masters

Teachers

Parents

Pupils

Health and Environment Clubs in schools

Representatives of the Ministry in charge of basic education

Responsibles of the Ministry of Public Contracts

Large public





**Start date:** 27/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.crepcameroun.org/>

### Cameroon, Yaounde - Green Future (Association)

**Title of event:**

prevention campaign against lead poisoning

**Brief description of event:**

For this campaign, green future will meet students to talk to them about lead poisoning: Causes, effects and how to avoid it. Then, green future will go to meet the ironmongers to inform them of the law number prohibiting lead in Cameroon. Not to mention educate them on the best practices to take to prevent lead poisoning

**Target audience for event:**

students of "île education" school and ironmongers from Emana quater in Yaoundé

**Start date:** 25/10/2017 **End date:** 26/10/2017

### China, Shenzhen - Shenzhen Zero Waste Environmental Public Interest Development Center (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Painting Report Conference.

**Brief description of event:**

Invited the media, officials, paint manufacturers, NGO partners, etc., held a press conference.

**Target audience for event:**

We aim to raise public awareness of the hazards of lead paint and to promote better standards.

**Start date:** 01/10/2017 **End date:** 25/10/2017



## Colombia, Bogotá - Colnodo / Red de Desarrollo Sostenible Colombia (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Reunión con productores para reducción de plomo en pinturas

**Brief description of event:**

Este evento busca crear conciencia en los productores para la producción de pinturas libres de plomo. Esta reunión mostrará a los productores el proceso de certificación de SCS Global Services para que las empresas certifiquen una producción de pinturas decorativas de uso doméstico libres de plomo

**Target audience for event:**

Productores de pinturas, Ministerios, Reguladores.

**Date:** 17/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.rds.org.co/es/sobre-la-rds>

## Colombia - Colnodo / Red de Desarrollo Sostenible Colombia (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Lanzamiento de Sistema de Información Sobre el Plomo

**Brief description of event:**

La Red de Desarrollo Sostenible lanzará en su sitio web [www.rds.org.co](http://www.rds.org.co) una sección especial de plomo en pinturas en donde se presenta en un solo lugar todos los recursos que ofrece la Red sobre el tema:

- Efectos para la salud
- Normas y legislación.
- Otras fuentes de contaminación
- Prevención a exposición.
- Producción libre de plomo
- Protección de niños
- Riesgos

**Target audience for event:**

Todo público

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

## Congo, Brazzaville - World Health Organization Regional Office for Africa (WHO AFRO)

**Title of event:**

Lunch Time Seminar on Childhood Lead Poisoning in Africa

**Brief description of event:**



Presentation on Childhood lead poisoning in Africa: A preventable public health threat. The presentation was to mark the International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week 2017. Social media activities were also carry on during the week, including a speech by the WHO Regional Director to all country offices to mark the week long celebration.

**Target audience for event:**

The target audience were WHO staff. More than a dozen staff participated in the seminar.

**Date:**

02/11/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.afro.who.int/>

### Ethiopia, Addis Ababa - Pesticide Action Nexus Association (PAN-Ethiopia) (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Lead Free Paints in Ethiopia

**Brief description of event:**

PAN-Ethiopia in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MEFCC) plans to organize an event with a theme of "Lead Free Paints in Ethiopia" on October 26, 2017 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The event is organized specifically to journalists in order to brief them about the status of Lead in Ethiopian paints so as to use their media access to inform the public on how to protect themselves from lead poisoning. The event aims to 1) disclose the three Ethiopian paint analysis study results conducted by PAN-Ethiopia in 2013, 2015 and 2017; 2) brief the human health and economic impact of lead poisoning 3) present the final version of the draft regulation that MEFCC presented to the council of Ministers of Ethiopia for ratification and 4) encourage the paint industries that supported the formulation of the regulation to phase out lead from their paint formulations. The journalists attending the event are believed to further use the media to raise public awareness with regards to eliminating lead in Ethiopian paints.

**Target audience for event:**

Journalists from different media agencies

**Date:** 26/10/2017

### France, Paris - Association des Familles Victimes du Saturnisme (NGO – Association Loi 1901)

**Title of event:**

information sur la prévention de l'intoxication au plomb





**Brief description of event:**

- projection du film documentaire "notre plomb quotidien"
- débat: échange avec la salle
- conseils sur les problématiques de santé liés aux conditions de mal logement
- informations sur le saturnisme et ses conséquences

**Target audience for event:**

n/a

**Date:** 26/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.afvs.net/>

## Gambia, Banjul - Young Volunteers for the Environment -The Gambia (YVE) (NGO)

**Title of event:**

International lead poisoning prevention week of action in The Gambia

**Brief description of event:**

The Young Volunteers for the Environment plans to conduct a National Multi stakeholder's forum on the health effects of lead contamination and prevention; and a radio talk show. The forum will be used to discuss about the impacts of lead poisoning in particular lead paint, on the health and national development of the country. The radio talk show will be used to disseminate information to the public about the negative effects, symptoms, sources and prevention of lead poisoning. This will include question and comment sessions for listeners to contribute and learn.

**Target audience for event:**

participants include various stakeholders such as the participants include various stakeholders such as the Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Ministry of Trade, Industry and Employment, Ministry of Education, department of public and environmental Health, national assembly representatives, private sectors involved in the importation or sale of paints and related lead materials, public health workers, NGOs, Head of schools and WHO country office.

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://ong-jve.org/>

## Georgia, Tbilisi – Gamarjoba (NGO)

**Title of event:**

More strengthening for national regulations on lead in paint



**Brief description of event:**

- Meeting and negotiations with representatives of the Ministry of the Environment on possible tightening of requirements for lead
- Lessons in Tbilisi schools and work with families
- Preparation and dissemination of a petition on the control of lead in consumer goods

**Target audience for event:**

- Policy makers,
- General public

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.facebook.com/Gamarjoba2014Georgia/>

## Georgia, Tbilisi - "Health XXI" (NGO)

**Title of event:**

"Lead-free paint environment everywhere where is a child "

**Brief description of event:**

Organize and conduct an outdoor event with the slogan the "Lead-Free Paint Environment everywhere!" to raise public awareness among parents, education institutions' authority in kindergartens and elementary schools, towards hazardous impact of lead-containing paints on health and reduction of lead-containing paints in households.

Carry out hand washing campaigns in children's education institutions.

Disseminate leaflets.

**Target audience for event:**

Children, parents, teachers, healthcare providers and paint consumers.

**Start date:** 25/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

## Georgia, Tbilisi - National Center for Disease Control and Public Health (Government)

**Title of event:**

International lead poisoning prevention week of action in Georgia

**Brief description of event:**

The following activities will be conducted:

1. To organize awareness raising activities through round-table/individual meetings and social media activities



of government authorities and regulators, the private sector, manufacturers, consumers, workers, trade unions and health-care providers about the toxicity of lead in paints.

2. Engaging general public through social media.

3. Translate campaign materials into Georgian.

Poster, Flyer, Info-graphics and other educational materials about lead have been prepared for International Lead Poisonings prevention week. This information will be posted on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/ncdcgeorgia>); (<https://www.facebook.com/HealthPromotionGeorgia>) and website [www.ncdc.ge](http://www.ncdc.ge).

**Target audience for event:**

General public, media, industry, academic sector, regulators, policy makers among other stakeholders

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** [www.ncdc.ge](http://www.ncdc.ge)

## Guinea, Conakry - Carbone Guinée (NGO)

**Title of event:**

MINI ADVOCACY WORKSHOP FOR ELECTED ON LEAD PAINT REGULATIONS

**Brief description of event:**

In half a day, NGO Carbone Guinée will gather at the people's palace all the stakeholders around it that it has chosen for this edition of the IPEN International Week of Action for the Prevention of Lead Poisoning. . The work of the workshop will take place in plenary sessions around Power Point format and a documentary film focusing on the theme "Zero Pb in painting by 2020". All communications will be followed by discussions and exchanges to arrive at proposals adopted by the participants in a consensual. During the workshop, a discussion will be held on an analysis of the strategy of adaptation of the ban or the progressive elimination of lead in painting by 2020 so that avenues of improvement are proposed.

**Target audience for event:**

Executives of ministries of health, environment, industry, health professionals, academics, lawyers, media, public interest groups, local and national elected officials.

**Date:** 25/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://carboneguinee.org/>





## India, Lucknow - Era University (Academic Institution)

### **Title of event:**

"International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action"

### **Brief description of event:**

The Era University, Lucknow (India), organized the "International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action" week from 22 to 28 October 2017. To commemorate the week an awareness program was organized on 28th October 2017, in which over a thousand students participated. Dr. M.K.J. Siddiqui, Director, U.P. Council of Science & Technology, Lucknow, was the Chief Guest and Prof. R.K. Garg, Head, Neurology Department & Dean – Research, King George's Medical University, Lucknow, was the Guest of Honor at the inaugural function. Speaking on the occasion Vice Chancellor of Era University, Prof Abbas Ali Mahdi said that lead poisoning is hundred per cent preventable, yet it has been reported in 2015 that lead exposure accounted for about half million deaths and millions of disabilities due to long-term effects on health, with the highest burden in developing countries.

Dr. A.J. Ezejiolor, from Nigeria spoke on various sources of lead exposure and its preventive aspects. Prof. Sudhir Mehrotra from the Department of Biochemistry, Lucknow University, Lucknow, spoke in detail about the effect of lead on different organ system of the human body. Prof. M.M.A. Faridi, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, Era University also spoke on the occasion and he emphasised on the adverse effects of lead on cognitive function in children. He said lead not only affect every organ system of the human body but also causes anemia which can be very lethal for young children and pregnant women.

### **Target audience for event:**

For the benefit of undergraduate students studying in the Faculties of Medicine, Allied Health Sciences, Pharmacy, Paramedical Sciences, Nursing and Basic Medical Sciences of Era University, about thousand students participated.

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://erauniversity.in/>

## India, New Delhi - The Just Environment Charitable Trust (Toxics Link) (NGO)

### **Title of event:**

Awareness on Lead free Paints and Effects of New Regulations in India

### **Brief description of event:**

The Just Environment Charitable Trust (Toxics Link) will collect some random samples of enamel paints and test them in an accredited laboratory to understand the status of shift of lead in the paints after the regulation in place. Also there is a radio talk show for awareness

### **Target audience for event:**

Government agencies, paint manufacturers, consumer groups, civil societies, school children, etc.

**Start date:** 15/10/2017 **End date:** 30/10/2017



**URL of Organisation:** [www.toxiclink.org](http://www.toxiclink.org)

## Indonesia, Denpasar and Bali - BaliFokus Foundation (NGO)

**Title of event:**

LEAD PAINT AND ASBESTOS ELIMINATION SYNERGY CAMPAIGN

**Brief description of event:**

BaliFokus initiates synergies campaign in eliminating lead in paint and removing asbestos through the action of painting asbestos roof with lead-free paint. This action will take place in several cities and in some locations that use asbestos roofs especially in educational and health facilities for children such as early childhood, kindergarten, daycare, baby and infant clinics, elementary schools, etc. Some activities will be implemented: 1) Spreading information through factsheet to building depot 2) Providing a healthy school's certificate to those who have participated 3) A coloring contest for early childhood 4) A radio talk show and a stake holder seminar will be held after the campaign finished.

**Target audience for event:**

1. Children at kindergarten, playgroup, nursery and daycare
2. An organization consists of early childhood educators in Indonesia
3. Consumers at building depot
4. Related stakeholders: Ministry of Health of the Republic of Indonesia, Ministry of Environment and Forestry of the Republic of Indonesia, Ministry of Education of the Republic of Indonesia
5. Paint Company
6. INA-BAN (Indonesia Ban Asbestos Network)

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.balifokus.asia/>

## Indonesia, Solo City and Karanganyar District - Gita Pertiwi and KAKAK Foundation (NGO)

**Title of event:**

"Weekend Without Lead Poison with Children and Youth"

**Brief description of event:**

This event focused on Campaign on Public Space for community and children on health impact of lead poisoning "Weekend Without Lead Poison with Children and Youth".

This activity will be conducted in Solo Raya and Karanganyar. Mass media campaigns will be conducted through press releases, dialogues on local radio / TV and inviting media covering the "Weekend Without Lead Poison with Children and Youth" event at Child Friendly Park in Karanganyar City. The activities will be held in 25-28 October 2017.

This activity aims to socialize the danger of leads in the paint among local government, teachers, parents and children. So there is a principle of caution in building and providing facilities for children who have a dangerous lead. At the children's level they understand the danger of lead and invite clean behavior and avoid the danger



of the surrounding leads.

The press release will be held in Solo City in cooperation with local radio and TV stations, while the summit invites local government, teachers, parents and children to be conducted at Karanganyar District Children's Park. It is expected that 150 people will attend this event which is expected 60% are women. 70 children will be present and involved in this event.

**Target audience for event:**

children and youth, teachers and local government.

**Start date:** 25/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://gitapertiwi.org/>; <https://www.facebook.com/kakakfoundation/>

### Jamaica, Kingston - The Caribbean Poison Information Network (Academic Institution)

**Title of event:**

Where are we now: Lead Poisoning and our children

**Brief description of event:**

The public education programme for International Lead Poisoning Week will be done in the form of a think tank discussion. This entails hosting a televised and radio discussion on the issue of lead poisoning in Jamaica over previous year. This will initiate a conversation on the present state of Lead Poisoning and the Government role in protecting children in Jamaica.

**Target audience for event:**

Policy makers, and the general public

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.carpin.org/>

### Jordan, Amman - Jordan Environment Society (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Jordan lead poisoning prevention week of action 22-27 October 2017

**Brief description of event:**

Organizing 7 awareness campaigns in several Jordanian cities  
Printing and disseminating material (flyers, Posters, cloth bags, t-shirts, caps, roll up stands)  
2 hour Celebration at one of the Leading Jordanian Schools





Visit of School students to one of the factories that are banning the use of Lead in Paint

- Visits schools to the Sipes factory

**Target audience for event:**

decision makers at Ministry of Health and Education, School Staff and Students, The public

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://jes.org.jo/>

## Jordan, Amman - Land and Human to Advocate Progress (LHAP) (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Promote the Adoption of a National Legislation on Lead Free Paint

**Brief description of event:**

LHAP will form a team of two persons a technical and a lawyer to review the national legislations in this regards and draft a national legislation benefiting from the accrued experience of IPEN countries representatives who have made some remarkable progress in this direction. The two person team will also benefit from the recent publication circulated by IPEN titled "Draft Lead Paint Guidance Model Law".

Once the draft is ready, a focus group of persons representing environmental NGOs, public sector represented by the two ministries of Environment and Health, the private sector in specific paint industry through the chamber of industries and commerces to discuss the draft legislation. The discussion will include the constraints to the adoption of this legislation to work jointly on overcoming them.

Once an agreement on the draft paint free legislation is approved by the multi-stakeholder focus group, then it will be sent officially to the two ministries of environment and health for adoption.

Some lobbying campaigns will be carried out with the legal committee and environment and health committee of Jordan parliament through visits to the two commissions to seek their support to let the government adopt the legislation.

The main goal is to come up with an adopted legislation on lead paint free. The campaign will be focused in Amman, where the political and economic decisions are exercised.

It is expected to come up with a ready made lead free paint, suitable to the national Jordanian set up .

**Target audience for event:**

The two Ministries of Environment and Health, the paint industry, the committee of health and environment in the Jordanian parliament, active NGOs in environmental issues and the committee of health and Environment in the new decentralized Amman Council

**Start date:** 02/10/2017 **End date:** 29/10/2017



**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.lhap.net/>

### **Kenya, Nairobi - Centre for Environment Justice And Development (CEJAD) (NGO)**

**Title of event:**

Awareness creation and sensitization on hazards of leaded paints and the Kenya's standards for paints, varnishes and related to the Kenyan public.

**Brief description of event:**

This activity aims to increase awareness and sensitize Kenyan public on hazards of lead from leaded paints and Kenya's standards on paints, varnishes and related products through stakeholders forums, mass media and social media platforms

**Target audience for event:**

Relevant government ministries and agencies, Paint manufacturers, distributors, dealers, housing developers, relevant NGOs and CSOs such as consumer watch groups and Kenyan public.

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://cejadkenya.org/>

### **Kenya, Nairobi - University of Nairobi (Academic Institution)**

**Title of event:**

Creation of Awareness on National Legal Limit of Lead in Paint

**Brief description of event:**

Engagement of diverse stakeholders and media to create awareness on National Legal Limit of Lead in Paint

**Target audience for event:**

General public, media, industry, academia, regulators, policy makers among other stakeholders

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.uonbi.ac.ke/>



## Lithuania, Vilnius - Center for health education and diseases prevention (Government)

**Title of event:**

International Lead Poisonings Prevention Week

**Brief description of event:**

During International Lead Poisonings prevention week, we created poster, short educational information about lead. This information will be posted in our Facebook page (Sveikatos mokymo ir ligų prevencijos centras) and website.

**Target audience for event:**

n/a

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://sam.lrv.lt/en/health-care/public-health>

## Lithuania, Vilnius - Health emergency situations centre of the Ministry of health, Poison Information Bureau (Government)

**Title of event:**

International Lead Poisonings Prevention Week

**Brief description of event:**

During International Lead Poisonings prevention week, Poison information bureau in Lithuania created two infographics, which will be posted in our Facebook page (Apsinuodijimų informacijos biuras) and website.

**Target audience for event:**

n/a

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.essc.sam.lt/en/activities.html>





## Malaysia, Selangor - Malaysian Paint Manufacturers' Association (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Towards Lead-Free Paint - The Malaysian Context

**Brief description of event:**

To align with global goal of eliminating lead paint around the world by 2020 which was initiated by The Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint, co-led by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Health Organization (WHO), Malaysian Paint Manufacturers' Association (MPMA) will be organizing a Forum with the theme of "Towards Lead Free Paint – The Malaysian Context" .

The main objective of the forum is to drive the Association initiative towards achieving the goal of Lead Free Paints in Malaysia by 2020.

This forum is aimed at providing a platform to educate the paint industry players, stakeholders and government bodies on the use of lead in paint and ultimately working towards elimination of lead in paint systems. We will discuss the where and why lead is used in paint, options of elimination of lead in paint and working towards ultimate goal of Lead Free Paint in Malaysia by 2020.

**Target audience for event:**

Paint manufacturers, raw material suppliers, educator, government bodies

**Date:** 21/11/2017

**URL of Organisation:** [www.mypma.org.my](http://www.mypma.org.my)

## Nepal, Kathmandu - Center for Public Health and Environmental Development (CEPHED) (NGO)

**Title of event:**

LEAD Awareness Week of action through mass media

**Brief description of event:**

CEPHED will carried out following activities:

1. Press meet to kick off week of action.
2. Radio Talk program on: Lead toxicity, Lead in paint, Lead paint standard.
3. Awareness raising through mass media . Radio jingle and TV PSA on lead paint standard broadcast from national FM radio station and TV Station.
4. News article publication.
5. Writing advocacy letters to government agency for effective implementation of standard.
6. Organise Training on lead paint elimination for Journalist.
7. Organise training on lead paint elimination for Lawyers
8. Organise training on lead paint elimination for Doctors etc.



**Target audience for event:**

- 1.General public.
- 2.paint industries.
- 3.Government officials.
- 4.media personnel
- 5.health professionals etc.

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 30/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.pciaonline.org/node/99>

## **Nigeria, Lagos/Nigeria - Sustainable Research and Action for Environmental Development (SRADev Nigeria) (NGO)**

**Title of event:**

National Campaign: Official release of study on Lead in Solvent-Based Paints for Home Use in Nigeria

**Brief description of event:**

1. Press Conference:SRADev Nigeria in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Environment will host a press conference to officially release the study report as part of activities to commemorate ILPPW.
2. SRADev plans to undertake consultations with Paint Manufacturers Association (PMA) during its 5th edition of bi-annual Raw Materials, Equipment and Painting exhibition tagged: PMA Nigeria Coatings Show, slated for October 23 and 24, 2017.
3. SRADev will undertake the release of the African study, "Lead in Solvent-based Paints in Africa". Press releases will be forwarded to media for publication.

**Target audience for event:**

Print and Electronic media, key ministries,departments and agencies MDAs like Federal/State Ministries of Environment, Standards Organization of Nigeria(SON),National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency (NESREA), National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC), Lagos State Environmental Protection Agency (LASEPA)Paint Manufacturers Association(PMA),Manufacturers Association of Nigeria(MAN)and students from our schools for Lead Free Paints campaign

**Start date:** 20/10/2017 **End date:**28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.sradev.org/index.php>



## Philippines, Baguio City - Saint Louis University Laboratory Elementary School (Academic Institution)

**Title of event:**

INTERNATIONAL LEAD AWARENESS PREVENTION

**Brief description of event:**

Discussion on the objectives of the International Lead Awareness Prevention as well as the means of exposure and preventing lead poisoning on daily activities through a power point presentation during Science classes and distribution of a pamphlet by the School Medical Clinic as an informational media campaign .

**Target audience for event:**

All the school-aged children, teaching and non-teaching staff of Saint Louis University.

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.slu.edu.ph/>

## Philippines, Quezon City - EcoWaste Coalition (NGO)

**Title of event:**

"Lead-Free Paint Store Now!"

**Brief description of event:**

The EcoWaste Coalition plans to organize an outdoor event called the "Lead-Free Paint Store Now!" on October 24, 2017 in Quezon City, Philippines. The creative event will inform the public about the availability of paints that are compliant to the country's Chemical Control Order for Lead and Lead Compounds, which provides for a three-year phase-out period (2013-2016) for lead-containing architectural, decorative and household paints. The activity aims to 1) disclose paint products in compliance or in violation of the 90 ppm total lead content limit as confirmed by laboratory analyses commissioned by the EcoWaste Coalition; 2) promote mandatory removal by companies of non-compliant paint products from the market; 3) push for the enforcement of the penalty provision under lead paint regulation; and 4) encourage companies to secure third party Lead Safe Paint® certification to assure consumers that their paint products conform to the regulatory requirement. Representatives from government, industry, health, environmental and consumer protection organizations will be invited to support and take part in the event.

**Target audience for event:**

Government, industry, healthcare and civil society stakeholders, and paint consumers.

**Date:**

24/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** [www.ecowastecoalition.org](http://www.ecowastecoalition.org)



## Republic of Moldova, Chisinau - National Center of Public Health (Government with Scientific Department)

**Title of event:**

Estimation of lead exposure at children from Moldova

**Brief description of event:**

Will present the results of laboratory data regarding the lead concentration in pre-collected blood and urine. Will elaborate the recommendations for risk reduction.

**Target audience for event:**

n/a

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://cnspl.md/>

## Republic of Moldova, Chisinau - Public Association EcoContact (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Awareness week and press conference

**Brief description of event:**

Launching the International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of action during the special press conference and conducting awareness activities during the week

**Target audience for event:**

Governmental authorities, NGOs, general public

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

## Russian Federation, Moscow - Eco-Accord (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Strengthening legislation to eliminate lead from paint in Eurasian Economic Commission

**Brief description of event:**

We are planning to prepare a press-release and an open letter to be addressed to the governments of five countries which are members of the Eurasian Economic Commission and to the Association of Paint Quality





which unites key paint producers in EEC. The letter will contain a request to strengthen the EEC draft Technical Regulation on the Safety of Paints, conduct better control and monitoring to ensure lead free paints on the market of the targeted countries.

**Target audience for event:**

Governments of Armenia, Belarus, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Association of Paint Quality

**Start date:** 25/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.ecoaccord.org>

### Saudi Arabia, Riyadh - King Fahad Medical City (Health Care Institution)

**Title of event:**

Lead Poisoning awareness

**Brief description of event:**

Our aim is to raise public awareness about Lead Poisoning on this event we will discuss potential sources of lead exposure and its harmful effects on human health the campaign flyers will be distributed to the visitor and several awareness messages will be shared through social media.

**Target audience for event:**

public

**Date:** 22/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.kfmc.med.sa/>

### Slovenia, Koroška (Carinthia), Slovenian part - National Institute of Public Health, Regional Unit Ravne na Koroškem (Public Health Institution)

**Title of event:**

Living with Lead

**Brief description of event:**

Activities planned:

Workshops on a healthy lifestyle in kindergartens.

Pupils of primary schools will prepare thematic products on the topic of preventing exposure to lead (drawings, written papers posters). Information for local media will be prepared.



**Target audience for event:**

Kindergartens (children and staff)/ Primary schools (children and staff)/ General population through media

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.nijz.si/>

## Sri Lanka, Colombo - Centre for Environmental Justice (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Support a Pre-school to become lead safe and educate pregnant women

**Brief description of event:**

During the study on Lead in dust, it was revealed that the dust in a pre-schools and schools can have lead within a range of 8- 600 µg/ft<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, this activity is intended to put more emphasis on transforming child education facilities and child care facilities to completely transform into lead safe places.

Target groups: Parents, teachers and other heads of child education and child care facilities.

Activities:

- In order to get peoples' attention on this matter, a pageant will be organized, with the help of children of "Rahulathissa" Pre-school, Ruhunukalaa mawatha, Colombo 08, Sri Lanka.
- This pre-school will be given lead safe paint to apply in the walls, furniture and children's Toys and playing areas in order to mark this as a "lead safe preschool".
- On 25th, Children's' pageant will take place from Cotta road to Castle Street (900m in distance), where there is a women's hospital (Castle Street Hospital for Women) in order to convey the message to maximum number of people related to children.
- Children will be given display boards with messages.
- Leaflets will be distributed to people who approach to get information.
- Children's parents and the adult participants will be given a T-shirt designed for the event and will be worn to identify distinctively.
- Posters will be printed and distributed to educational institutes.
- Press release and a small report on the event will be released by 26th October 2017.

**Target audience for event:**

Pre-school children and the Pregnant women- This will target 50 Pre-school children and the over 100 pregnant women attend the medical clinics at the Castle Hospital located in Borella.

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 29/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** [www.ejustice.lk](http://www.ejustice.lk)



## Tajikistan, Dushanbe - Foundation to support civil initiatives (FSCI, Dastgiri-Centre) (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Lead-Free Paint Store Now!

**Brief description of event:**

The NGO "Foundation to support civil initiatives" (FSCI, Dastgiri-Centre), Tajikistan suppose to organize an outdoor meeting called the "Lead-Free Paint Store Now!" on October 25, 2017 in Dushanbe City, Tajikistan.

The creative event will inform the public about the availability of paints that are compliant to the State Committee of Environment under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, Ministry of Health, Tajikstandart of the RT, Academy of Sciences of RT for Lead and Lead Compounds, lead-containing architectural, decorative and household paints. The FSCI' activity aims to:

- 1) disclose paint products in compliance or in violation of the 90 ppm total lead content limit as confirmed on the international level;
- 2) promote mandatory removal by companies of non-compliant paint products from the market;
- 3) push for the enforcement of the penalty provision under lead paint regulation;
- 4) encourage companies to assure consumers about paint products conforming to the regulatory requirement.

**Target audience for event:**

Representatives from government, industry, health, mass-media, environmental and consumer protection organizations will be invited to support and take part in the event.

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 25/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:**

[http://fsci.tj/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=89&Itemid=97&lang=en](http://fsci.tj/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=89&Itemid=97&lang=en)

## Togo, Lomé - Les Amis de la Terre-Togo (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Conference-debate and press conference on the risks associated with the use of lead paint on human health: the need for preventive regulation.

**Brief description of event:**

The conference will assess the commitment of participants and appreciate the advantages and constraints of engaging Togo in the elimination of lead paint. Discussions will fuel the advocacy argument. A press conference will be organized.

**Objectives**

Discuss the challenges associated with the use of lead paint and mobilize in favor of measures to prevent poisoning.



- Present lead poisoning and its causes;
- Explain the fundamentals and scope of the international campaign;
- Put forward a case for adoption of a regulation banning lead paint.

Expected impact

Reduction/total elimination of the use of lead paints and other products containing lead.

**Target audience for event:**

Target groups: representatives of ministries, industry, health professionals, academics, lawyers, media, representatives of public interest groups.

**Date:** 23/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** [www.amiterre.tg](http://www.amiterre.tg)

## Tunisia, Tunis – AEEFG (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Advancing raising awareness in the middle of Tunisia on lead in paint effects

**Brief description of event:**

This year , raising awareness will move to the South of Tunisia to highlight the effects of lead. Pupils from the region of Kasserine will participate with their teacher to create an event to attract the attention of people.

**Target audience for event:**

Pupils/teenagers and their respective families

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 26/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.kapitalis.com/economie/18811-une-etude-du-pnue-pointe-le-fleau-du-plomb-contenu-dans-les-peintures-en-vente-en-tunisie.html>

## Uganda, Kampala - Uganda Network on Toxic Free Malaria Control (UNETMAC) (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Creating public awareness on Lead Poisoning Prevention Week in Uganda

**Brief description of event:**

The project activities will take place on 23rd and 28th October, 2017 whereby on 23rd, a press conference will be convened and on 28th, a TV talk show will be conducted.

During the press conference, literature on lead paint exposure will be shared with the journalists who will be





encouraged to share with the wider public inform of writing newspaper articles as well as electronic media messages. This press conference will be addressed by officials from government particularly from the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) as well as paint manufacturers/dealers in Uganda. The press conference will be attended by journalists from news paper printing media houses as well as TV and radio stations. Power point presentations on lead paint exposure as well as the International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action will be presented. On the last day of the week, a TV talk show will be conducted.

**Target audience for event:**

The activities will target paint manufacturers, paint retailers, occupational workers in paint industries, people involved in (decorative) painting indoors, NGOs involved in environmental and health research and campaign, media personal reporting on environmental health issues, researchers and academicians, policy makers and technical officials of the Ministries of Environment, Health, Trade and Industry among others.

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**Ukraine, Delyatyn, Dzvynych, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Kherson, Kropyvnytskyi, Kyiv, Mykulychyn, Nadvirna, Nova Kakhovka, Orbyvka, Tavriysk, Topolivka, Yaremche, Zaporizhzhia -Ukrainian National Environmental NGO MAMA-86 (NGO)**

**Title of event:**

International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action 2017

**Brief description of event:**

Participation in the preparation of the Technical Regulations on the limitation of lead in paints, Lobbying for approval of the Technical Regulations, Preparation and adaptation of the information materials (leaflets, posters, videos) for the International lead poisoning prevention week of action 2017, Informing the public about the dangers of lead with calls to buy paints that do not contain lead. Appeal to manufacturers for voluntary withdrawal from the use of lead in paints. Eco-lessons, Seminars, Round tables, Lectures for children, students and their parents about dangerous related with using products/goods including lead and measures to prevent poisoning by it.

**Target audience for event:**

Ukrainian Paint and Coating Association (industry), healthcare professionals, academics and public interest groups, the Government and the Deputies, healthcare professionals and academics groups, public interest groups including children, students and their parents, volunteers, industry, representatives of the mass media and relevant stakeholders.

**Start date:** 06/06/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.mama-86.org/index.php/ua/>

**United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, London - Public Health England**



## (Government)

**Title of event:**

New Scientist Live, London Excel

**Brief description of event:**

We advertised ILPPW2017 at the PHE New Scientist Live stand. We handed out WHO ILPPW2017 flyers, created posters on the potential health effects from exposure, where lead may be found, and ways to reduce lead exposure. We answered visitors' questions on lead, shared relevant advice from our own and other UK departments and authorities, and demonstrated how innocent items like children's antique toys may pose a risk by using a lead testing kit and lead figurine. We will use social media to signpost advice during 22nd-28th Oct to pregnant women, parents of toddlers and people decorating their homes.

**Target audience for event:**

The New Scientist Live event was attended by members of the public, families, school children, university students, scientists, health care professionals, civil services members, anyone with an interest in science.

**Start date:** 28/09/2017 **End date:** 01/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england>

## United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Londonderry - Ulster University (Academic Institution)

**Title of event:**

Is lead harming my unborn baby?

**Brief description of event:**

What do you know about lead toxicity and its impact on your health and the health of your baby?

There is a rising concern over the effect of products such as ceramics, solders, cosmetics, hair dye, aeroplanes and even water in lead pipes.

At this event, Ulster University's Dr Priyanka Chaurasia explores new technology and techniques that could predict the toxicity levels of lead on the developing foetus and what care plan should be adopted for soon-to-be parents.

**Target audience for event:**

Audience in general

**Date:** 08/11/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.ulster.ac.uk/>



## United Republic of Tanzania, Dar es Salaam - AGENDA for Environment and Responsible Development (AGENDA) (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Protect children's health - ban lead paints

**Brief description of event:**

AGENDA will hold a press conference with media outlets. The information to disseminate to public will seek the Minister for Industries, Investment and Trade to endorse the National Standard for Lead in Paint as well as pushing for its enforcement. A national Lead in Paint Standard was formulated during the African Lead Elimination Project which ended in June 2017. The Standard is awaiting endorsement.

Other NGOs such as the Tanzania Consumers Advocacy Society (TCAS) and Envirocare will participate.

AGENDA will also distribute reports (in Kiswahili and English languages) which show the levels of lead in paints sold in Tanzania.

**Target audience for event:**

Media staff, Ministries, NGOS, Departments and Agencies such as the Ministry of Industries, Investment and Trade; the Division of Environment, the Ministry of Health; Government Chemist Laboratory Agency (SAICM Focal Point); Tanzania Bureau of Standards; Universities - Libraries; Paints manufacturers; and general public.

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** [www.agenda-tz.org](http://www.agenda-tz.org)

## United States of America, Los Angeles – CSUN (University)

**Title of event:**

Teach-In Campaign for International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week 2017

**Brief description of event:**

On this Friday Oct. 27, 2017, I'll give a teach-in at the beginning of my regular class at California State University - Northridge on the topic of International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week 2017. It will include an introduction to this special awareness week and its significance so as to raise my students' awareness of this campaign, and a call for their participation to spread the campaign messages through their social medias.

**Target audience for event:**

35 college students

**Date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <https://www.csun.edu/>



## United States of America, Maryland - National Center for Healthy Housing (NGO)

**Title of event:**

Twitter Chat

**Brief description of event:**

National Healthy Housing Center (NCHH) is hosting a Twitter chat (#NLPPWchat) to have a conversation during National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week to spread awareness and take action on lead poisoning prevention and response policies.

**Target audience for event:**

Organizations and individuals who are advancing the efforts to stop childhood lead poisoning.

**Date:** 24/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** [www.centerforhealthyhousing.org](http://www.centerforhealthyhousing.org)

## United States of America, Memphis - Shelby County Department of Housing (Government)

**Title of event:**

Lead Awareness Week

**Brief description of event:**

10/23-10/24, we will have an informational table with lead brochures, information, coloring books and activities at 1075 Mullins Station Road. 10/26-10/27, we will have this same activities as well as blood testing of children at Shelby County Health Department, 814 Jefferson. We will also be broadcasting to staff of Shelby County Government information each day about lead hazards and lead prevention. Tips on lead hazards will be sent out each day.

**Target audience for event:**

Families with children under six. We also will be educating the staff of Shelby County Government as well as customers that come to the offices for all programs.

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.shelbycountyttn.gov/3397/Lead-Program>

## United States of America, Mohawk Valley (Utica, NY) - Lead-Free Mohawk Valley (Coalition)





**Title of event:**

Lead-Free MV Local Resources

**Brief description of event:**

To provide information and resource materials to coalition members and agencies working in the Mohawk Valley to prevent lead poisoning.

**Target audience for event:**

Coalition Members with outreach to the broader community.

**Start date:** 23/10/2017 **End date:** 27/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://foundationhoc.org/lead-free-mv/>

**United States of America, North New Jersey - Partnership for Maternal and Child Health of Northern New Jersey (Non Profit)**

**Title of event:**

Lead Week Events

**Brief description of event:**

The Partnership for Maternal and Child Health will be providing children and parents with lead prevention education and lead prevention activities.

**Target audience for event:**

Children and parents

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://partnershipmch.org/>

**United States of America, Northeast Connecticut - Northeast District Department of Health (NDDH) (Local Public Health District)**

**Title of event:**

Healthy Homes Northeast CT: Love Where You Live and Live Lead-Free...A Community Partnership to Prevent Lead Poisoning

**Brief description of event:**

57 northeast CT children were lead poisoned in 2015. NDDH will convene a broad cross-section of community



partners at a Lead Poisoning Prevention Forum to discuss strategies and commit to collaborations that will reduce childhood lead poisoning.

**Target audience for event:**

Town Leaders, Building Officials, HUD Administrators, HQS Inspectors, Realtors, Bankers, Building Contractors, Physicians, Economic & Community Development Coordinators, School Nurses, Landlords

**Date:** 24/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.nddh.org/>

## United States of America, Norwich - City of Norwich -Community Development (Government)

**Title of event:**

Outreach Event

**Brief description of event:**

The Community Development kicked off this year's National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week by visiting the local Adult Education Center, serving many local adults and young adults of the Community. We were able to meet with 3 groups totaling to about 100 students. About one hour was spent with each group, discussing the dangers of lead paint and ways the residents can benefit from the help available to remove it from their homes. Several questions were answered bringing awareness to the devastating effects of lead paint and ways parents can protect their children.

The engaged students of diverse demographic backgrounds wondered about ways to address it with their landlords, inquired about the abatement process and took applications to be filled out. Based on the high level of interest and concern, the School plans on partnering up with the local health district to organize screenings for the children of the students.

**Target audience for event:**

Adults and Young adults

**Date:**

23/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://www.norwichct.org/216/Community-Development>

## United States of America, Rockland County and New York - Rockland County Department of



## Health (Local Health Department)

**Title of event:**

Lead Poisoning Prevention Week - activities

**Brief description of event:**

As part of efforts to raise awareness about lead poisoning prevention in Rockland County, New York, USA, the Rockland County Department of Health (RCDOH) issued a press release with information regarding information about lead poisoning prevention. With the help of several local daycares, RCDOH also collected paper handprints of 500 local children and displayed them in banners to remind community members that each child is a reason to focus on lead poisoning prevention. The project was called #500Reasons. RCDOH also created lead poisoning prevention posters and flyers and displayed the #500Reasons banners and lead poisoning prevention information on a table in the Allison-Parris building, the Rockland County Executive and Legislature building. RCDOH also posted lead poisoning prevention information on social media. RCDOH is also further connecting with local daycares and pediatric medical providers to expand awareness about lead poisoning prevention.

**Target audience for event:**

Community members of Rockland County, New York.

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** <http://rocklandgov.com/>

## Vietnam, Hanoi - Research Centre for Gender, Family and Environment in Development (NGO)

**Title of event:**

National workshop: "TOWARDS BAN LEAD PAINT IN VIETNAM"

**Brief description of event:**

The workshop aims to:

- Share the effects of lead on human health and the real situation of lead poisoning (including lead poisoning in coating paint in Vietnam)
- Discuss the actual use of lead paint in Vietnam and the solutions for ban lead in paint in the future

**Target audience for event:**

- + Representatives from the Paint Companies/Paint Association
- Vietnam Environment Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
- Vietnam Chemicals Agency, Ministry of Industry and Commerce
- Market Surveillance Agency, Ministry of Industry and Commerce
- Association of paint and ink
- + Representatives from the Consumers and associations
- Vietnam Standard and Consumers Association



- Vietnam Association for Protection of Child's Rights
- Women Union
- + Representatives from NGOs, Institutes
- Polytechnic University, University of Public Health
- Vietnam Academy of Science and Technology
- Vietnam Union of Science and Technology Associations (VUSTA)
- NGOs networks on Environment
- + Mass media: Newspapers, broadcast, television ...

**Date:** 24/10/2017

**URL of Organisation:** [www.cgfed.org.vn](http://www.cgfed.org.vn)

## Zambia, Livingstone - Children's Environmental Health Foundation (NGO)

**Title of event:**

MEETING OF HIGH LEVEL FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS ON LEAD IN PAINT FOR PHASING OUT LEAD PAINT

**Brief description of event:**

The activity will include,

Conduct a meeting with high level that will involve the Paint industry for the purposes of releasing of a national report that presents the results of the lead paint study that will also present the lead paint controls and elimination leading to enactment of national law.

Conduct stakeholder mobilization and involvement including the media and civic leaders on the paint study results for the support of enactment of Regulations to eliminate lead in paint

Conduct a meeting with Civic leaders and traditional leaders for the traditional and civic support for elimination of lead in paint

Conduct awareness raising to the communities and consumers on the importance of compliance to the enacted laws

**Target audience for event:**

The Senior leaders of Government Officials ( Ministers of Key ministries such as Ministry of water Development, sanitation and Environmental Protection. Ministry of commerce and trade, Ministry of Health , Ministry of local Government and Ministry of Justice , Ministry of home affairs as well as the office of the Vice President as well as the Members of parliament for the support., Local Authorities, paint industry, Mayors and Town Clerks , traditional Leaders and Councilors. We will also target the Environmental Health officers Zambia Environmental Management officers , Zambia Bureau of Standards (ZABS) NGOs and Faith based organisations , Universities , paint manufacturers, media and the community

**Start date:** 22/10/2017 **End date:** 28/10/2017





## Countries, cities and organisations holding WHO International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action Events 2013-2017

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Countries, cities and organisations holding WHO Lead Week of Action Events 2013-2017					
Countries	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Albania	Tirana – <a href="#">Institute of Public Health, Albania</a>		Tirana – <a href="#">Institute of Public Health, Albania</a>	Tirana – <a href="#">Environmental Center for Development, Education and Networking</a>	
Algeria					Algiers and Annaba - National Center of Toxicology, Algeria
Argentina	Buenos Aires - <a href="#">Ministerio de la Salud</a>				Rosario and Santa Fe - <a href="#">Taller Ecologista, Argentina</a>
Armenia	Yerevan - <a href="#">Khazer Ecological and Cultural NGO</a>	Yerevan - <a href="#">Khazer Ecological and Cultural NGO</a>		Yerevan and Grumri - <a href="#">Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment</a>  Yerevan, Gyumri – <a href="#">Khazer Ecological and Cultural NGO</a>	Yerevan - <a href="#">Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment</a>



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Australia	Sydney - <a href="#">The Lead Education and Abatement Design Group, Australia</a>	Sydney - <a href="#">The Lead Education and Abatement Design Group, Australia</a>	Sydney - <a href="#">The Lead Education and Abatement Design Group, Australia</a>	Sydney - <a href="#">The Lead Education and Abatement Design Group, Australia</a>	Sydney - <a href="#">The Lead Education and Abatement Design Group, Australia</a>
Azerbaijan				Baku – <a href="#">Ruzgar Ecological Society, Azerbaijan</a>	Baku – <a href="#">Ruzgar Ecological Society, Azerbaijan</a>
Bangladesh	Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi - <a href="#">Environment and Social Development Organisation, Bangladesh</a>	Dhaka - <a href="#">Environment and Social Development Organisation, Bangladesh</a>	Dhaka - <a href="#">Environment and Social Development Organisation, Bangladesh</a>  Country Wide - <a href="#">Environment and Social Development Organisation, Bangladesh</a>	Dhaka - <a href="#">Environment and Social Development Organisation, Bangladesh</a>	Dhaka - <a href="#">Environment and Social Development Organisation, Bangladesh</a>



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Belarus				Minsk - <a href="#">Center for Environmental Solutions, Belarus</a>	Minsk - <a href="#">Center for Environmental Solutions, Belarus</a>  Minsk – <a href="#">Republican Unitary Enterprise-Scientific Practical Centre of Hygiene, Belarus</a>
Benin				Cotonou and Parrana – Gaproffa, Benin	Cotonou and Parrana – Gaproffa, Benin
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Banja Luka - <a href="#">Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Republic of Srpska</a>	Banja Luka, Republic of Srpska - <a href="#">Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Republic of Srpska</a>		Banjalika - <a href="#">Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Republic of Srpska</a>	
Cameroon	Yaoundé - <a href="#">Centre de Recherche et d'Education pour le Developpement, Cameroon</a>	Yaoundé - <a href="#">Centre de Recherche et d'Education pour le Developpement, Cameroon</a>		Yaoundé - <a href="#">Centre de Recherche et d'Education pour le Developpement, Cameroon</a>	Yaoundé - <a href="#">Centre de Recherche et d'Education pour le Developpement, Cameroon</a>  Yaoundé – Green Future, Cameroon



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Canada		Ottawa – <a href="#">Health Canada</a>		Vancouver – <a href="#">BC Centre for Disease Control</a>	
China	Beijing - Workshop on lead-acid battery recycling			Beijing- UN Environment and the Government of China (Solid Management Center of Environment Protection Department)	Shenzhen – Shenzhen Zero Waste Environmental Public Interest Development Center, China
Colombia	Bogotá - <a href="#">Colnodo / Red de Desarrollo Sostenible Colombia</a>			Bogotá - <a href="#">Colnodo / Red de Desarrollo Sostenible Colombia</a>  Medellin and Bogota– <a href="#">International Paint and Printing Ink Council</a>	Bogotá - <a href="#">Colnodo / Red de Desarrollo Sostenible Colombia</a>
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	Kinshasa - Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Democratic Republic of the Congo				
Congo, Republic of the					Brazzaville – <a href="#">World Health Organization Regional Office for Africa</a>





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Cote d'Ivoire	Abidjan - Jeunes Volontaires pour l'Environnement (JVE) Côte			Abidjan Yopougon Camp militaire – ISE POP CI	
Ethiopia					Addis Ababa – Pesticide Action Nexus Association, Ethiopia
France	Lille - <a href="#">CHRU Lille Poison Control Center WHO collaborating</a>  Montreuil - <a href="#">Mairie de Montreuil - Mission saturnisme</a>	Montreuil - <a href="#">Mairie de Montreuil - Mission saturnisme</a>			Paris - <a href="#">Association des Familles Victimes du Saturnisme, France</a>
Gabon	Libreville - Centre National Antipollution, Gabon				
Gambia					Banjul – Young Volunteers for the Environment- The Gambia



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Georgia	Tbilisi - <a href="#">National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, Georgia</a>	Tbilisi - <a href="#">National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, Georgia</a>	Tbilisi - <a href="#">National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, Georgia</a>  Tbilisi – Georgian Environmental and Biological Monitoring Association	Tbilisi – <a href="#">Gamarjoba, Georgia</a>  Tbilisi – Health XXI, Georgia  Tbilisi - <a href="#">National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, Georgia</a>  Tbilisi – Georgia Development Agency	Tbilisi – <a href="#">Gamarjoba, Georgia</a>  Tbilisi – Health XXI, Georgia  Tbilisi - <a href="#">National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, Georgia</a>
Germany				Bonn – <a href="#">WHO European Center for Environment and Health, WHO Regional Office for Europe</a>	
Ghana			Accra – Ecological Restorations, Ghana	Accra – Ecological Restorations, Ghana	
Guinea					Conakry - <a href="#">Carbone Guinée, Guinea</a>



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Honduras	Tegucigalpa – <a href="#">Centre de Estudios y Control de Contaminantes;</a> <a href="#">Secretaría de Recursos Naturales y Ambiente (SERNA)</a>	Tegucigalpa – <a href="#">Centre de Estudios y Control de Contaminantes;</a> <a href="#">Secretaría de Recursos Naturales y Ambiente (SERNA)</a>			
Hungary		Budapest – <a href="#">National Institute of Environmental Health, Hungary</a>			



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India	<p>Mangalore - <a href="#">Father Muller Medical College</a></p> <p>Lucknow - <a href="#">Department of Biochemistry, King George's Medical University</a></p> <p>New Delhi – <a href="#">Toxics Link Maulana Azad Medical College, Lata Medical Research Foundation and WHO Regional Office for South East Asia</a></p> <p>New Delhi – <a href="#">The Just Environment Charitable Trust (Toxics Link), India</a></p> <p>Bangalore - <a href="#">National Referral Centre for Lead Projects in India</a></p> <p>Nagpur - <a href="#">Lata Medical Research Foundation</a></p>	<p>New Delhi – <a href="#">Maulana Azad Medical College</a></p> <p>New Delhi – <a href="#">Toxics Link</a></p> <p>New Delhi – <a href="#">Consumers India</a></p> <p>New Delhi – <a href="#">Foundation of Health Care Technologies</a></p> <p>New Delhi – <a href="#">Society for Advancement of Occupational and Environmental Health</a></p>	<p>Jodhpur – <a href="#">All India Institute of Medical Sciences Jodhpur</a></p> <p>New Delhi – <a href="#">Consumers India</a></p>	<p>New Delhi – <a href="#">The Just Environment Charitable Trust (Toxics Link), India</a></p> <p>Chennai – <a href="#">SRM Medical College Hospital and Research center – SRM/Stratus, Center for Medical Simulation</a></p>	<p>Lucknow – <a href="#">Era University, India</a></p> <p>New Delhi – <a href="#">The Just Environment Charitable Trust (Toxics Link), India</a></p>
India	<p>Nagpur - <a href="#">Indira Gandhi Government Medical College</a></p>				





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Indonesia	Bali - <a href="#">BaliFokus Foundation, Indonesia</a>	Denpasar, Jakarta, Solo - <a href="#">BaliFokus Foundation, Indonesia</a>		Denpasar, Jakarta, Bandung and Surabaya - <a href="#">BaliFokus Foundation, Indonesia</a>	Denpasar and Bali – <a href="#">BaliFokus Foundation, Indonesia</a>  Solo City and Karanganyar Distric – <a href="#">Gita Pertiwi and KAKAK Foundation, Indonesia</a>
Iran		Arak – Mohit Palayesh Arya Company  Mashhad– <a href="#">Mashhad University of Medical Sciences</a>  Tehran – <a href="#">Pharmaceutical Sciences Research Center- Tehran University of Medical Sciences</a>			
Jamaica	Kingston – <a href="#">The Caribbean Poison Information Network, Jamaica</a>	Kingston – <a href="#">The Caribbean Poison Information Network, Jamaica</a>	Kingston, Papine and St. Andrew – <a href="#">The Caribbean Poison Information Network, Jamaica</a>		Kingston – <a href="#">The Caribbean Poison Information Network, Jamaica</a>



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Jordan	Amman – <a href="#"><u>Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Health and Jordan Environment Society</u></a>	Amman – <a href="#"><u>Jordan Environment Society</u></a>  Amman, Irbid, Jordan Valley – <a href="#"><u>Land and Human to Advocate Progress, Jordan</u></a>		Amman – <a href="#"><u>Land and Human to Advocate Progress, Jordan</u></a>	Amman – <a href="#"><u>Jordan Environment Society</u></a>  Amman – <a href="#"><u>Land and Human to Advocate Progress, Jordan</u></a>
Kazakhstan	Almaty – <a href="#"><u>Greenwomen, the Analytical Environmental Agency, Kazakhstan</u></a>	Almaty – <a href="#"><u>Greenwomen, the Analytical Environmental Agency, Kazakhstan</u></a>		Almaty – <a href="#"><u>Greenwomen, the Analytical Environmental Agency, Kazakhstan</u></a>  Almaty – The Center cooperation for Sustainable Development  Astana – <a href="#"><u>Human Health Institute, Kazakhstan</u></a>	



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Kenya	Nairobi – <a href="#">Kenya Industrial Research and Development Institute</a>	Nairobi – <a href="#">Kenya Industrial Research and Development Institute</a>		Nairobi - <a href="#">Centre for Environment Justice And Development, Kenya</a>  Mombasa – The Mombasa Lead Alliance  Mombasa – Academia, Government, NGOs and Industry of Kenya	Nairobi - <a href="#">Centre for Environment Justice And Development, Kenya</a>  Nairobi – <a href="#">University of Nairobi, Kenya</a>
Kyrgyzstan	Bishkek - <a href="#">Independent Ecological Expertise</a>			Bishkek – PA Independent Ecological Expertise	
Liberia				Monrovia – Pollution Control Association of Liberia	



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Lithuania				Vilnius – <a href="#">European Environment and Health Youth Coalition</a>	Vilnius – <a href="#">Centre for health education and disease prevention, Lithuania</a>  Vilnius – <a href="#">Health emergency situations centre of the Ministry of Health, Poison Information Bureau, Lithuania</a>
Malaysia				Penang – <a href="#">Consumers' Association of Penang</a>	Selangor – <a href="#">Malaysia Paint Manufacturer's Association</a>
Maldives		Malé – <a href="#">Health Protection Agency, Ministry of Health, Maldives</a>			
Mexico				Mexico - <a href="#">Asociación Nacional de Fabricantes de Pinturas y Tintas A.C.</a>	





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Mongolia			Ulaanbaatar – <a href="#">School of Public Health, Mongolian National University of National Sciences</a>		
Morocco				Rabat – Moroccan Society of Clinical and Analytical Toxicology	
Nepal	<p>Kathmandu – <a href="#">Centre for Public Health and Environmental Development, Nepal</a></p> <p>Kathmandu - <a href="#">LEADERS Nepal</a></p> <p>Kathmandu – <a href="#">Ministry of Science Technology and Environment, Ministry of Health and Population, World health Organization</a></p>	<p>Kathmandu – <a href="#">Centre for Public Health and Environmental Development, Nepal</a></p> <p>Kathmandu - <a href="#">LEADERS Nepal</a></p>	<p>Kathmandu – <a href="#">Centre for Public Health and Environmental Development, Nepal</a></p>	<p>Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur – <a href="#">Centre for Public Health and Environmental Development, Nepal</a></p> <p>Biratnagar, Eastern Part of Nepal – <a href="#">LEADERS Nepal</a></p>	<p>Kathmandu – <a href="#">Centre for Public Health and Environmental Development, Nepal</a></p>
Netherlands				Hague – <a href="#">International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation</a>	



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Nigeria	<p>Ibadan and Lagos – <a href="#">Young Volunteers for the Environment, Nigeria</a></p> <p>Lagos – <a href="#">Sustainable Research and Action for Environmental Development, Nigeria</a></p> <p>Ilupeju, Lagos State - <a href="#">DoTheDream Youth Development Initiative</a></p>	<p>Ibadan – <a href="#">Young Volunteers for the Environment, Nigeria</a></p>	<p>Ibadan – <a href="#">Young Volunteers for the Environment, Nigeria</a></p>	<p>Lagos and Nigeria – <a href="#">Sustainable Research and Action for Environmental Development, Nigeria</a></p> <p>Kaduna – <a href="#">West African Academy of Public Health</a></p> <p>Ibadan, Oyo State – <a href="#">Young Volunteers for the Environment, Nigeria</a></p>	<p>Lagos and Nigeria – <a href="#">Sustainable Research and Action for Environmental Development, Nigeria</a></p>
Pakistan	<p>Karachi – <a href="#">Our Own Public Health Institute</a></p>	<p>Karachi – <a href="#">Our Own Public Health Institute</a></p>			
Paraguay		<p>Asunción – General Direction of Environmental Health</p>		<p>Asunción - <a href="#">Dirección General de Salud Ambiental</a></p>	
Peru	<p>Lima – <a href="#">Ministerio De Salud - Dirección General De Salud Ambiental</a></p>	<p>Lima – <a href="#">Ministerio De Salud - Dirección General De Salud Ambiental</a></p>			



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Philippines	<p>Quezon City – <a href="#">EcoWaste Coalition. Philippines</a></p> <p>Legazpi City - Philippine Society of Clinical and Occupational Toxicology</p>	<p>Manila, Quezon City - <a href="#">EcoWaste Coalition. Philippines</a></p>		<p>Quezon City – <a href="#">EcoWaste Coalition. Philippines</a></p>	<p>Baguio City – <a href="#">Saint Louis University Laboratory Elementary School. Philippines</a></p> <p>Quezon City – <a href="#">EcoWaste Coalition. Philippines</a></p>
Republic of Moldova	<p>Chisinau – <a href="#">National Center of Public Health, Republic of Moldova</a></p> <p>Vorniceni village, Straseni district - <a href="#">Terra-1530</a></p>	<p>Chisinau – <a href="#">National Center of Public Health, Republic of Moldova</a></p>		<p>Chisinau – <a href="#">National Center of Public Health, Republic of Moldova</a></p> <p>Chisinau – Public Association EcoContact, Republic of Moldova</p>	<p>Chisinau – <a href="#">National Center of Public Health, Republic of Moldova</a></p> <p>Chisinau – Public Association EcoContact, Republic of Moldova</p>
Republic of Serbia	<p>Belgrade - <a href="#">Institute of Public Health of Serbia</a></p> <p>Belgrade - <a href="#">Environmental Ambassadors For Sustainable Development, Republic of Serbia</a></p>				



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Russian Federation				Moscow – <a href="#">Eco-Accord, Russian Federation</a>  Volgograd – Volgograd-Ecopress Information Centre	Moscow – <a href="#">Eco-Accord, Russian Federation</a>
Saudi Arabia			Jeddah - The First Saudi Environment for Environmental Awareness and Sustainable Development	Riyadh – <a href="#">King Fahad Medical City, Saudi Arabia</a>	Riyadh – <a href="#">King Fahad Medical City, Saudi Arabia</a>
Slovenia		Ravne na Koroškem - <a href="#">National Institute of Public Health, Regional Unit Ravne na Koroškem, Slovenia</a>		The Upper Meža Valley (Mežica, Črna na Koroškem) - <a href="#">National Institute of Public Health, Regional Unit Ravne na Koroškem, Slovenia</a>	Koroška (Carinthia), Slovenian part – <a href="#">National Institute of Public Health, Regional Unit Ravne na Koroškem, Slovenia</a>
South Africa	Pretoria - <a href="#">National Department Of Labour, South Africa</a>				





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Sri Lanka	Colombo – <a href="#">Centre for Environment Justice, Sri Lanka</a>	Colombo – <a href="#">Centre for Environment Justice, Sri Lanka</a>			Colombo – <a href="#">Centre for Environment Justice, Sri Lanka</a>
Sudan	El Flasher- <a href="#">United Nations Mission In Darfur</a>				
Suriname	Paramaribo – <a href="#">Ministry of Health, Suriname</a>				
Switzerland	Geneva – <a href="#">World Health Organisation</a>	Geneva – <a href="#">State of Geneva</a>			
Tajikistan				Dushanbe – <a href="#">Foundation to support civil initiatives, Tajikistan</a>	Dushanbe – <a href="#">Foundation to support civil initiatives, Tajikistan</a>
Tanzania, United Republic of				Dar es Salaam – <a href="#">AGENDA for Environment and Responsible Development</a>	Dar es Salaam – <a href="#">AGENDA for Environment and Responsible Development</a>



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Thailand	Bangkok - <a href="#">Thai Ministry of Public Health - Department of Disease Control; EARTH; Ramathibodi Hospital Research Center for Child Injury Prevention and Child Safety Promotion; Foundation for Consumers; Bureau of Occupational and Environmental Diseases; Office of Consumer Protection Board; and the Engineering Institute of Thailand</a>	Bangkok – <a href="#">Thai Ministry of Public Health - Department of Disease Control; Ecological Alert and Recovery - Thailand (EARTH); Ramathibodi Hospital Research Center for Child Injury Prevention and Child Safety Promotion; Foundation for Consumers</a>			
Togo				Lomé - <a href="#">Les Amis de la Terre-Togo</a>	Lomé - <a href="#">Les Amis de la Terre-Togo</a>
Tunisia	Tunis – <a href="#">Association de l'Education Environnementale pour les Futures Générations (AEEFG)</a>				Tunis – <a href="#">Association de l'Education Environnementale pour les Futures Générations (AEEFG)</a>



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Uganda	Kampala - <a href="#">Uganda Network on Toxic Free Malaria Control</a>	Kampala – <a href="#">National Environmental Management Authority, Uganda</a>			Kampala – Uganda Network on Toxic Free Malaria Control
Ukraine				Kyiv, Kharkiv, Nova Kakhovka, Yaremche, Zaporozhye, Kropivnytskyi, Vynnytsia, Poltava, Mykolayiv - <a href="#">Ukrainian National Environmental NGO MAMA-86</a>	Delyatyn, Dzvynych, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Kherson, Kropyvnytskyi, Kyiv, Mykulychyn, Nadvirna, Nova Kakhovka, Orbyvka, Tavriysk, Topolivka, Yaremche, Zaporizhzhia - <a href="#">Ukrainian National Environmental NGO MAMA-86</a>
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	United Kingdom – <a href="#">British Coatings Federation</a>				London – <a href="#">Public Health of England</a>  Londonderry – <a href="#">Ulster University</a>



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United States of America	<p>Atlanta, GA - <a href="#">Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, United States of America</a></p> <p>Washington DC - <a href="#">Pan American Health Organization</a></p> <p>Washington DC - <a href="#">U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</a></p>	<p>Baltimore – <a href="#">Green and Healthy Homes Initiative, United States of America</a></p> <p>Belleville – <a href="#">St. Clair County Health Department and Intergovernmental Grants Department</a></p> <p>Bismarck – <a href="#">Environmental Protection Agency</a></p> <p>Boise, Seattle – <a href="#">EPA Region 10</a></p> <p>Cincinnati – <a href="#">University of Cincinnati Department of Environmental Health</a></p> <p>Denver – <a href="#">U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8</a></p> <p>Hot Springs – <a href="#">Arkansas Department of Health: Lead-Based Paint Program</a></p> <p>Idaho Falls and Pocatello – <a href="#">EPA Region 10</a></p> <p>Malden – <a href="#">Malden Redevelopment Authority</a></p>	<p>Bronx – <a href="#">The Children’s Hospital at Montefiore Lead Program and Safe House</a></p> <p>Jamestown, NY – <a href="#">Chautauqua County Lead Task Force</a></p> <p>Gleneden Beach, Oregon – <a href="#">Oregon Office of Rural Health</a></p> <p>Los Angeles – <a href="#">Esperanza Community Housing</a></p> <p>Louisville, KY – <a href="#">Lead Safe Louisville and Louisville Metro Health and Wellness</a></p> <p>Memphis, TN – <a href="#">EPA Region 4 and Chemical Safety and Enforcement Branch and the City of Memphis</a></p>	<p>Utica – <a href="#">Lead-Free Mohawk Valley Coalition</a></p> <p>Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Seattle and Washington – <a href="#">EPA Region 10 Lead and Asbestos Program</a></p> <p>Baltimore, Maryland – <a href="#">Green and Healthy Homes Initiative, United States of America</a></p> <p>Baltimore, MD – <a href="#">Chesapeake Physicians for Social Responsibility</a></p> <p>Baltimore, MD – <a href="#">U.S Environmental Protection Agency</a></p> <p>Boston, MA- <a href="#">Environmental Protection Agency Region 1, New England</a></p> <p>Brattleboro, VT- <a href="#">Vermont Department of Health</a></p> <p>Bridgeport – <a href="#">Bridgeport Health Department Lead Poisoning</a></p>	<p>Los Angeles – <a href="#">California State University</a></p> <p>Maryland – <a href="#">National Healthy Housing Center, United States of America</a></p> <p>Memphis – <a href="#">Shelby County Department of Housing, United States of America</a></p> <p>Mohawk Valley – <a href="#">Lead-Free Mohawk Valley Coalition</a></p> <p>North New Jersey - <a href="#">Partnership for Maternal and Child Health of Northern New Jersey</a></p> <p>Northeast Connecticut – <a href="#">Northeast district Department of Health, United States of America</a></p> <p>Norwich – <a href="#">City of Norwich - Community Development</a></p> <p>Rockland County, New York – <a href="#">Rockland County</a></p>
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United States of America		<p>Portland – <a href="#">Multnomah County Health Department, Environmental Health</a></p> <p>Rockland County – <a href="#">Rockland County Department of Health</a></p> <p>Salem, Oregon – <a href="#">Oregon Construction Contractors Board</a></p> <p>St. Paul – <a href="#">Community Lead Education and Reduction Corps</a></p> <p>Virginia – <a href="#">Virginia Department of Health, Lead Safe Virginia Program</a></p> <p>Washington DC – <a href="#">U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</a></p> <p>Washington DC – <a href="#">Government of the District of Columbia, District Department of the Environment</a></p>	<p>Portland, Oregon – <a href="#">Community Energy project</a></p> <p>Sioux Falls, SD – <a href="#">Sioux Falls Special Activity Club</a></p> <p>Wisconsin – <a href="#">Wisconsin Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program</a></p>	<p>Denver – US EPA, Region 8 and <a href="#">Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment</a></p> <p>Child Care and Schools Program</p> <p>Lewiston/Auburn, Maine – <a href="#">Green and Healthy Homes Initiative, Lewiston-Auburn, Maine</a></p> <p>Manchester, CT – <a href="#">Manchester Health Department</a></p> <p>Marshfield, Ma – <a href="#">Julie Lead the way Lead Poisoning Awareness Group</a></p> <p>Massachusetts – <a href="#">Massachusetts Department of Labor Standards</a></p> <p>Miami – <a href="#">Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County</a></p> <p>Nashville, Tennessee – <a href="#">State of Tennessee</a></p> <p>Nashville,</p>	
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Countries	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
United States of America				<p>New port, Providence and Pawtucket – <a href="#">Childhood Lead Action Project</a></p> <p>Omaha – <a href="#">Omaha Healthy Kids Alliance</a></p> <p>Pawtucket, Rhode Island – <a href="#">Rhode Island Department of Health</a></p> <p>Philadelphia, PA – <a href="#">Philadelphia Department of Public Health</a></p> <p>Pompano Beach/ South Florida – <a href="#">City of Pompano Beach Utilities</a></p> <p>Richmond – <a href="#">United Parents Against Lead</a></p> <p>Rutland, VT – <a href="#">Vermont Department of Health Rutland District Office</a></p> <p>San Diego – World Inspections Ltd.</p> <p>Torrington - <a href="#">Torrington Area Health District</a></p> <p>Washington DC – <a href="#">District of Columbia Department of</a></p>	
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<b>Countries</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Uruguay	Montevideo – <a href="#">Ministry of Public Health of Uruguay</a> ; Environmental and Occupational Health	Montevideo – <a href="#">Ministry of Public Health of Uruguay</a>			
Vietnam		Hanoi – Poison Control Center, Bach Mai Hospital		Hanoi – <a href="#">Research Centre for Gender, Family and Environment in Development, Vietnam</a>  Hanoi and North Eastern province of Hung Yen – Health environment management agency- Ministry of Health of Vietnam  Poison control center of Bach Mai Hospital  <a href="#">National Institute of occupational and environmental health, Vietnam</a>	Hanoi – <a href="#">Research Centre for Gender, Family and Environment in Development, Vietnam</a>





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<b>Countries</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Zambia				Livingstone – Children’s Environmental Health Foundation, Zambia  Lusaka – <a href="#">University of            Zambia, School            of Medicine</a>	Livingstone – Children’s Environmental Health Foundation, Zambia



## Countries which have held a WHO Lead Week of Action event 2013-2017

Countries which have held an International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action (ILPPWA) event 2013-2017. ILPPWA country data collated by The LEAD Group from events listed by the World Health Organisation (WHO) at



[http://www.who.int/ipcs/lead\\_campaign/events/en/](http://www.who.int/ipcs/lead_campaign/events/en/); countries listed by continent as from The World



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Factbook by the CIA at <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/resources/the-world-factbook/geos/xx.html>

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[world-factbook/geos/xx.html](https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/resources/the-world-factbook/geos/xx.html)

Africa (21 of 54): Algeria, Benin, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Republic of the Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Gabon, The Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia

Europe (18 of 49): Albania, Azerbaijan\*, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, France, Georgia\*, Germany, Hungary, Kazakhstan\*, Lithuania, Moldova, Netherlands, Russia\*, Serbia, Slovenia, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom (\* indicates part of the country is also in Asia)

Asia (24 of 48): Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan\*, Bangladesh, China, Georgia\*, India, Indonesia, Iran, Jordan, Kazakhstan\*, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Russia\*, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, Thailand, Vietnam, (\* indicates part of the country is also in Europe)

North America (5 of 23): Canada, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, United States

Oceania (1 of 14): Australia

South America (5 of 12): Colombia, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay

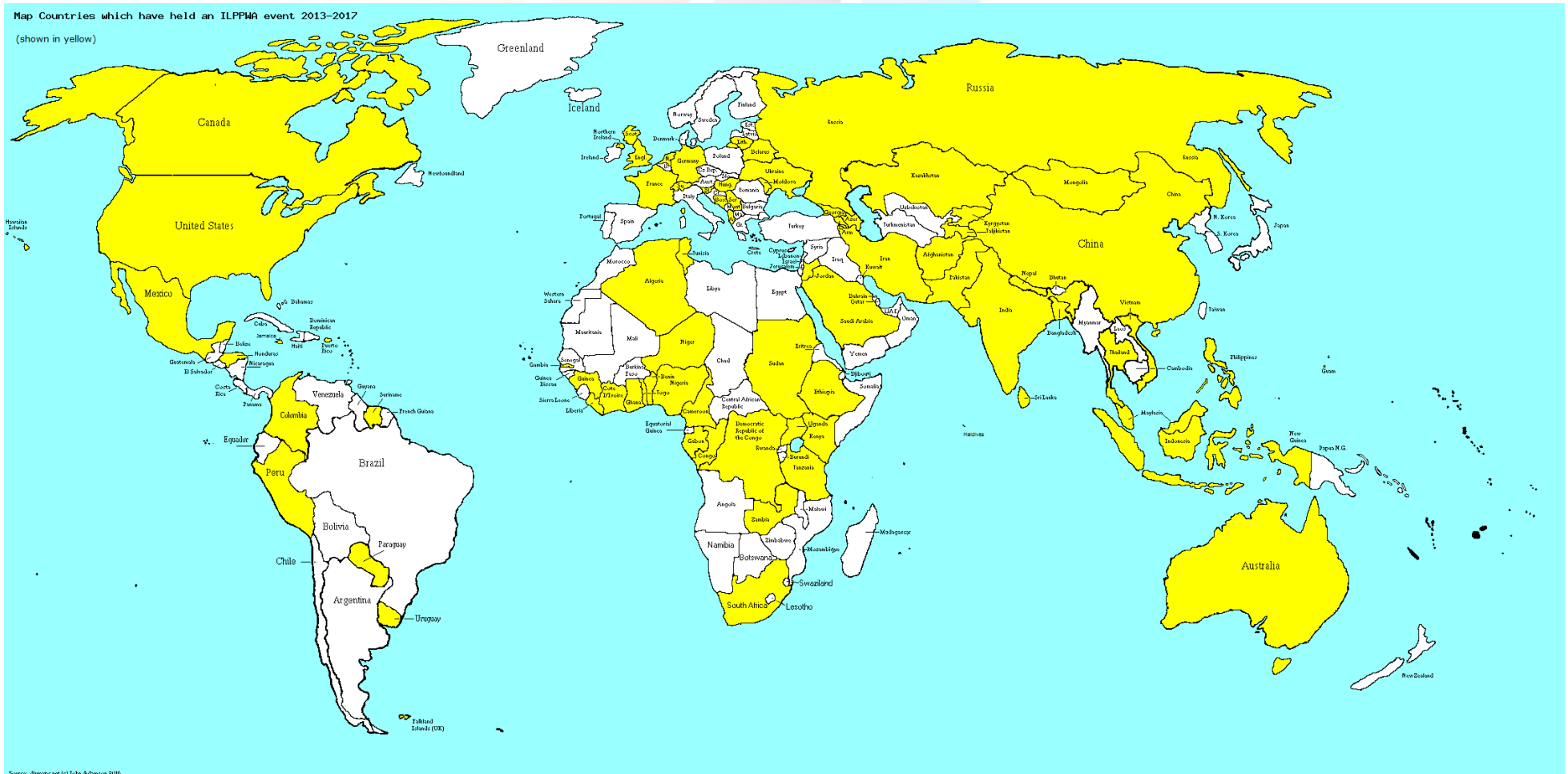


Map (at left) showing countries (in yellow) which have held ILPPWA events and countries (in grey) which haven't. Map created by Rocky Yiru Huang using Photoshop.

See overleaf for the same map but with country names and countries that haven't held ILPPWA events in white, made using [DIY Maps world map template](#) edited by Poornima Murthy using Paint.

# Map of countries which have held an ILPPWA event 2013-2017

(shown in yellow)





## Countries which have not yet held a WHO Lead Week of Action (ILPPWA) Event

Countries which have not yet held an International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action (ILPPWA) event are the remaining countries listed by continent as from *The World Factbook* by the CIA at <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/resources/the-world-factbook/geos/xx.html> - Accessed 22<sup>nd</sup>



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The following countries are shown in white on the Map of countries on the previous page.

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Europe (31 of 49): Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Holy See (Vatican City), Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kosovo, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey\* (\* indicates part of the country is also in Asia)

Asia (24 of 48): Bahrain, Bhutan, Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, Cyprus, Iraq, Israel, Japan, North Korea, South Korea, Kuwait, Laos, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Singapore, Syria, Timor-Leste, Turkey\*, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Yemen (\* indicates part of the country is also in Europe)

North America (18 of 23): Antigua and Barbuda, The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Haiti, Nicaragua, Panama, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago

Oceania (13 of 14): Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, New Zealand, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu

South America (7 of 12): Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, Guyana, Venezuela





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