



## *International HCH & Pesticides Association*

Dear Participant of the 14th International HCH & Pesticides Forum,

With great regret, we announce that we are forced to cancel the 14th Forum.

This is a hard decision for IHPA, the Ministry of Energy of Kazakhstan and our Kazakh forum organisers.

In the last 3 months, continuous budget insecurities have been encountered. During these months, we have been in close contact with the Ministry of Energy in Kazakhstan, have searched together for as well cost savings as additional financing opportunities.

But risks and uncertainties remain on a level that IHPA cannot afford. It is therefore that IHPA Management has taken this decision, as further continuation would endanger IHPA's existence. After 25 years and 13 successfully organized fora this is really a difficult decision.

For the moment, we cannot answer questions when, how and where we will organize our next Forum. The next weeks we will be busy in dealing with the consequences of this decision. We will take contact with our donors and sponsors individually in the coming days. Persons that have registered will receive from IHPA their registration fee paid.

We thank you all for your engagement to attend the forum and for all the excellent submitted papers for the forum.

With kind regards

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