



**INTERFLAME Project Mid-Term Workshop**  
**(1<sup>st</sup> September to 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2013, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China)**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August**

Delegates arrive Beijing, free time.

**Venue:**

**Unisplendour International Center Hotel**

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18:30 Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August

Welcome Dinner by Tsinghua University (Gathering in Hotel lobby)

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September**

**Venue: Room 117, School of Environment, Tsinghua University**

*Lunch 13.00*

14.00 Welcome to Tsinghua University Gang Yu and Yinping Zhang, Tsinghua University

14.15 [Overview on INTERFLAME progress to date- Stuart Harrad, University of Birmingham](#)

Presentations by Individual Partners on their key research achievements resulting from their outgoing INTERFLAME secondments to date, as well as those planned (30 minutes/partner).

14.45 – [Jochen Müller, National Centre for Environmental Toxicology, Australia](#)

15.15 – [Adrian Covaci, Antwerp University, Belgium](#)

15.45 – tea/coffee

16.00 – [Ana Ballesteros, Free University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands](#)

16.30 – [Mohamed Abdallah, Assiut University, Egypt](#)

17.00 - Workshop adjourns

19.00 - Workshop Dinner



**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

**Venue: Room 117, School of Environment, Tsinghua University**

Continuation of presentations by Individual Partners on their key research achievements resulting from their outgoing INTERFLAME secondments to date, as well as those planned (30 minutes/partner)

09:00 – [Gang Yu and Yinping Zhang, Tsinghua University, China](#)

09:30 – [Cynthia de Wit, Stockholm University, Sweden](#)

10:00 – [Miriam Diamond, University of Toronto, Canada](#)

10:30 – tea/coffee

11:00 – [Hidetaka Takigami, National Institute for Environmental Studies, Japan](#)  
(Second Presentation from NIES)

11:30 – [Chris Marvin, Environment Canada\\*](#)

12:00 – [Stuart Harrad, University of Birmingham](#)

\* Chris to give an overview of the key research activities and strengths relevant to INTERFLAME. This to incorporate as appropriate an introduction to Environment Canada, his specific research group, their main recent and current projects and research interests, their instrumentation, and their relevant papers

12.30 – Lunch

Discussion of progress to date with Individual Work Packages (WPs), as well as Strategy/Plans for making further progress. Leader of each WP to open session with a brief presentation to set agenda for discussion. The presentation to include as appropriate a few summary slides outlining the “state-of-the-art” of the field, a description of the objectives of that WP, and the number of secondments planned for that WP. Each session to agree actions to ensure progress. WP leader may suggest actions to direct discussion and promote agreement amongst partners. Each session to be informed by the work package discussion documents produced at the September 2013 workshop in Birmingham, accessible at <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/v9xzo6v3u2m8y2/KGWmrM7zob>

13.30 – [WP1- Compilation of inventories of organic FR usage volumes and application in participating countries \(WP leader- Miriam Diamond\)](#)

14.15 – [WP2- Collaborative studies exploring the utility of microscopy to investigate migration of brominated FRs from materials to dust \(Hidetaka Takigami\)](#)

15.00 – tea/coffee

15.30 – [WP3- Harmonisation of sampling techniques for organic FRs in air and monitoring studies \(Cynthia de Wit\)](#)

16.15 – [WP4- Harmonisation of indoor dust sampling techniques and monitoring studies \(Stuart Harrad\)](#)

17.00 – [WP5- Knowledge exchange concerning analytical chemistry techniques for measurement of different classes of organic FRs \(Adrian Covaci\)\\*](#)

\* to include [update on INTERFLAB from Miriam Diamond](#)

17.45 – Workshop adjourns

19.00 – Workshop Dinner

## **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

**Venue: Room 117, School of Environment, Tsinghua University**

Continuation of discussion of Strategy/Plans for making progress with Individual Work Packages. Leader of each Work Package to open session with a brief presentation to set agenda for discussion. Each session to agree actions to ensure progress.

09.00 – [WP6- Pooling and interpreting international monitoring data to elucidate better the contribution of indoor exposure to human body burdens \(including PK modelling\) \(Mohamed Abdallah\)](#)

09.45 - [WP7- Co-ordinating international efforts to monitor accurately temporal trends in contamination of biota and abiota media with organic FRs \(Stuart Harrad\)](#)

10.30 – tea/coffee

11.00 – [WP8- Towards international complementarity in studies of the metabolism of brominated FRs \(Adrian Covaci & Mohamed Abdallah\)](#)

11.45 – WP9 - Workshop organisation (Stuart Harrad)

12.30 Lunch

13.30 – [WP10- Management, communication and dissemination \(Stuart Harrad\)](#)

14.15 – Wrap-up session. Summary of actions and way forward (Stuart Harrad)

15.30 (latest) - Workshop Closes

18:30 Farewell Dinner by Tsinghua University