

Implementation of UNEA resolution 5/14 - "End plastic pollution: Towards an international legally binding instrument"

Briefing to the subcommittee meeting of the CPR, 7July 2022

INC Secretariat, 2022

UNEA calls for development of international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment

- Resolution specifies:
 - Based on a comprehensive approach that addresses full life cycle of plastic
 - Could include both binding and voluntary approaches
 - Taking into account the Rio Declaration and national circumstances and capabilities.
- Preparatory OEWG took place from 30 May to 1 June in Dakar, Senegal
- Intergovernmental negotiating committee
 - Starting work during the second half of 2022
 - Completing by the end of 2024



Key outcomes of OEWG, 30 May to 1 June in Dakar

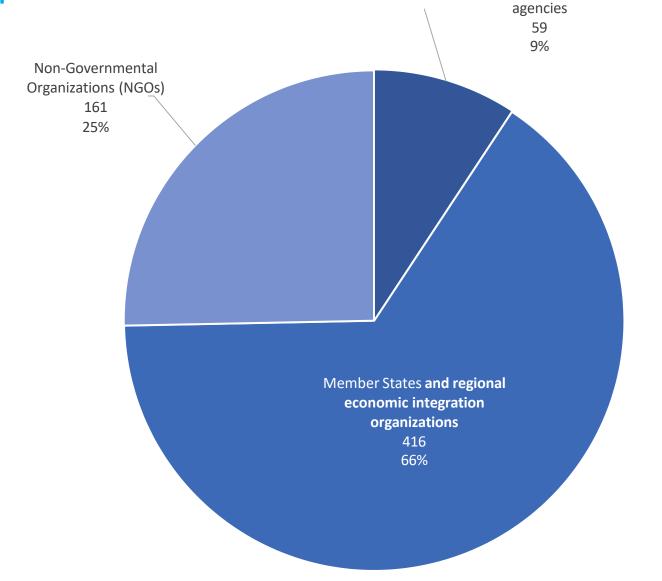
- Indicative date (week of 28 November 2022) and host (Uruguay) for INC1
- Guidance to the secretariat in the preparation of documents for INC1
- Recommendations to the INC:
 - o five sessions of the INC
 - nominal timetable for sessions
 - clean Rules of Procedure (except Rule 37 (Voting rights) is bracketed)
- Series of multi-stakeholder dialogues convened stakeholders on key topics





Participation at OEWG

Intergovernmental Organisations
Observers (IGOs), MEAs and other UN





Documentation to be prepared for INC-1

- 1. Glossary of key terms
- 2. Broad options for structure of the instrument
- 3. Potential elements; including key concepts, procedures, and mechanisms that may be relevant to implementation and compliance
- 4. Overview of existing funding available
- 5. Description of standard articles on final provisions included in multilateral environmental agreements
- 6. Information to promote cooperation & coordination with other conventions, instruments & organizations
- 7. Overview of stakeholder engagement frameworks under other instruments and potential approaches
- 8. Plastics science monitoring, sources of plastic pollution, chemicals used in manufacturing, flows across the life cycle, pathways in the environment, health and other impacts, solutions, technologies and costs
- 9. Listing of existing information for policy makers, building on UNEP/PP/OEWG/1/INF/3
- 10. Priorities, needs, challenges and barriers, an overview of national measures



Letter to Member States (24 June 2022)

- Requests designation of National Focal Points via a Note Verbale or an official nomination letter by 30 July
- Update on funding support to implement UNEA resolution 5/14.
- Requests regions to designate INC Bureau Members by 30 July
- Requests submissions by 15 July on:
 - i. sequencing and organization of INC
 - ii. substantive issues in preparation of documentation for INC-1, in particular, potential elements of the future instrument as well as priorities, needs, challenges and barriers and overview of national measures
 - iii. content and considerations for the preparation of multi-stakeholder forum
- Provided an updated of the establishment of INC secretariat



INC-1 meeting flow

Multi-stakeholder Forum 26 November Regional meetings / Bureau

27 November

INC-1
28 Nov to 2 Dec
Regional meetings
9-10 am everyday

- Punta del Este Convention and Exhibition Center, Uruguay
- BRS plastic waste partnership meeting 23-25 Nov
- 17 October: Documents to be posted in languages on INC web-page
- Ad hoc open-ended working group (OEWG) to prepare for the intergovernmental negotiating committee on plastic pollution (unep.org): Inger letters, national focal points, submissions received from 18 MS + EU, NGOs, IGOs



Letter to Member States on 18 July

- Confirmed date and venue of INC-1: 28 November 2 December in Punta del Este, Uruguay
- Meeting will be hybrid
- Invitation to be sent out by end of August
- Requests designation of National Focal Points by 30 July
- Requests regions to designate INC Bureau Members by 30 July



Bureau nominations

Region	Bureau members (11 in total, 2/region, 1/SIDS) Chair: ? Rapporteur: ?
AFR	AMCEN meeting 12-16 September, Senegal
AP	Straw pool to be concluded by 11 August 10 am EAT
EEG	?
GRULAC	Ambassador Gustavo Meza-Cuadra Velásquez, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Peru Ambassador Luis Vayas Valdivieso, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ecuador
WEOG	Ambassador Johanna Lissinger-Peitz, Sweden Larke Williams, US
SIDS	Ms. Asha Challenger, the Lead Ocean Negotiator for AOSIS, Antigua and Barbuda



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- Regional consultations (4-6 weeks in advance of INC proposed for late October time? on-line/in person?*) (DRI: Regional Offices)
- ROLAC leading preparation of HCA. Exploratory visit end of August (Alberto, UNON)
- Informal consultations with key member states July November, including potential host countries (INC secretariat)

^{*}to be confirmed in consultations by regional offices to determine expectation by countries, this affects budget for the meetings



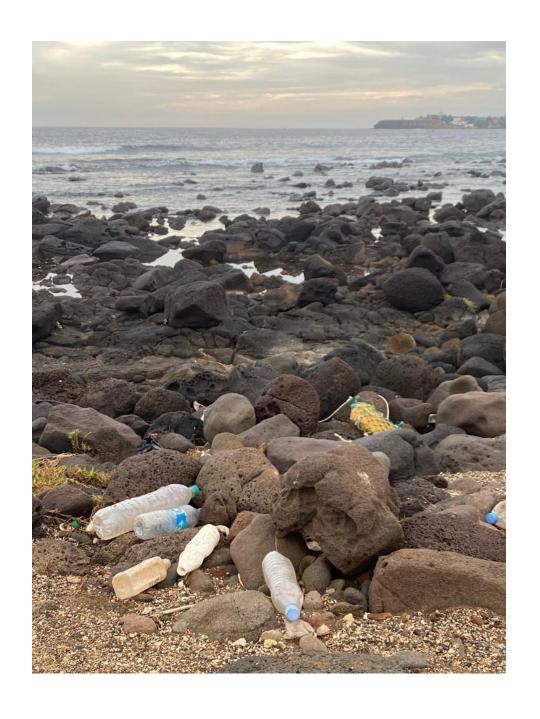
Offers to host the INCs

Session and nominal dates	Host Country	Offers
INC1 28 Nov – 2 Dec 2022	Uruguay	Canada - INC 2/4, Canada is coordinating with France and KOR
INC2 End of April 2023		France - INC2/3 with preference of INC2, week of 17 or 24 April
INC3 End of November 2023		South Korea - 2023/2024 Chile - May 2024
INC4 Early May 2024		Kenya - INCs
INC5 <i>Early December 2024</i>		Rwanda – Dipcon and one of the INCs
DipCon <i>Mid 2025</i>		Senegal - Dipcon



National focal points by region

UN Region	Member States	Total
African States	Algeria, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Comoros, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mali, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe	38/54
Asia-Pacific States	Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, Cyprus, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Malaysia, Maldives, Micronesia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Philippines, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Solomon Island, Sri Lanka, <i>State of Palestine</i> , Thailand, Timor-Leste, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Yemen	34+State of Palestine /55
Eastern European States	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation	13/23
Latin American and Caribbean States	Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Barbados, Belize, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Jamaica, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay	12/33
Western European and other States	Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, <i>European Union</i> , Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Türkiye, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America	24+EU /29
Grand Total	121+EU+State of Palestine /193	UN©



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