Ministerial Conference on Plastic Pollution and Marine Litter

28. October, Cali

Tentative Agenda

Date	Time	Item
27.10. 2024	from 19:00	Informal Dinner
28.10.2024	8:30 – 9:00	1. Public Session: Welcome and introduction, Co-hosts, INC Chair and UNEP INC Executive Secretary
	9:00 - 9:30	2. Public Session: Statements by stakeholders
	9:45 – 12:15	 3. Closed Session: Moderated high-level discussion by co-facilitators in 3 groups "Setting the political scene to bridge gaps" I. Extent of full life-cycle II. Relation of upstream and downstream measures III. Historic and future roles of states and private sector
	12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
	14:00 – 15:15	<i>4. Closed Session:</i> Moderated groups by co- facilitators "Defining the actions and deliverables"
	15:30 – 16:00	<i>5. Public Session:</i> Closing plenary, Co- Hosts//Co-Facilitators Summary

Annotated Agenda

1. Opening remarks (8:30)

Welcome by Co-Hosts (CAN, COL, DOM, GER, GHA), the INC Chair and Executive Secretary (5 Min. each)

2. Statements by stakeholders (9:00)

Segment open to stakeholders to give input to the subsequent high level discussions. (3 Min. each)

3. Parallel High-Level Sessions (10:00)

"Setting the political scene to bridge gaps" *Break-out in 3 groups, with time slot of 45 Min. per each topic rotating and moderated by changing co-facilitators.*

I. Extent of the life-cycle of plastics

Main topics/guiding questions:

- a. Under what conditions should the ILBI reflect interlinkages between plastic pollution and production of plastics to address the full life-cycle and set an overarching goal to reduce primary plastic production in order to end plastic pollution?
- b. What is the role of financial incentives, such as market- and pricebased measures, and their effects on market dynamics, e.g. to internalise external environmental cost or to stabilize markets?

II. Relation of upstream and downstream measures

Main topics/guiding questions:

- a. How may global restrictions, prohibitions, phase-outs and requirements, for certain plastic products, contribute to the goal of ending plastic pollution?
- b. How can better product design shape the future of a safe, circular economy and reduce plastic pollution and which product or application categories should be prioritized?
- c. How can the global community improve the systems needed to handle plastic waste, including legacy waste in the environment?

III. Historic and future roles of states and private sector

Main topics/guiding questions:

- a. What needs to be the role of public and private sector in mobilising financial resources for implementing the instrument and what is the function of a financial mechanism considering the wider financial landscape?
- b. Does the treaty need to include regulatory or policy measures to address public and private financial flows?

4. Parallel Groups (14:00)

"Defining the actions and deliverables" - *Break-out in 3 groups, with time slot of 25 Min. per each topic rotating and moderated by changing co-facilitators.*

I. Extent of the life-cycle of plastics

Main topics/guiding questions:

- a. What could be seen as baselines for production and pollution and what monitoring is needed on national and global level?
- b. In terms of a review mechanism to ensure that taken action is on track with global commitments: How should the effectiveness of measures and benchmarks be best structured?

II. Relation of upstream and downstream measures

Main topics/guiding questions:

- a. How to combat consumerism and extend lifetime of plastic products?
- b. How end unsustainable treatment and disposal practices like open burning, dumping/landfilling?

III. Responsibilities of states and private sector regarding plastics

Main topics/guiding questions:

- a. How to implement extended producer responsibility and assure comparability?
- b. How can transparency and disclosure of necessary information be achieved against the backdrop of intellectual property?

5. Closing plenary (15:30)

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