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## **Global Youth Environment Assembly 2024**

### **Session: Consultation Workshop on the Revised Zero Draft Text of the International Legally Binding Instrument on Plastic Pollution**

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Venue: UNON Compound, Nairobi Kenya (Hybrid)

Date and Time: 18 February 2024, 10:30 - 12:30 (UTC +3)

#### **[1] Background -**

Children and youth are pivotal in the global plastic treaty process, advocating for action against plastic pollution through policy participation, and raising awareness. Our engagement, fueled by the urgency of environmental protection for our future and generations to come, emphasizes the necessity of ambitious core obligations, innovative solutions, just transition, intergenerational equity and global collaboration.

#### **[2] Session Description -**

The participation of the Children and Youth Major Group in shaping the International Legally Binding Instrument on Plastic Pollution, particularly following the release of the Revised Zero Draft Text, marks a crucial step towards inclusive environmental governance. By holding three roundtable discussions to collect young people's views on the draft, this initiative underscores the active and vital role of youth in influencing policies with deep environmental and generational impacts.

**First Virtual Roundtable (Part I & V) | 21 Jan (Sun); 16:30 to 18:30 UTC**

**Second Virtual Roundtable (Part II) | Date & Time: 31 Jan (Wed), 14:30 - 16:30**

**Third Virtual Roundtable (Part III, IV & VI) | Date & Time: 10 Feb (Sat), 13:30 - 15:30**

And now we are here at the Youth Environment Assembly...



At the Consultation Workshop on the Revised Zero Draft Text of the International Legally Binding Instrument on Plastic Pollution, we want to have a discussion on the outcomes of the INC process so far, the virtual round tables on INC-4, and revisit the Revised Zero Draft to determine key priorities for the Global Youth Coalition on Plastic Pollution in INC-4. We aim to facilitate an inclusive and open exchange of ideas on the Revised Zero Draft and build capacity for youth engagement in the INC process.

**[3] Introduction to the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (INC) -**

In March 2022, at the resumed fifth session of the UN Environment Assembly (UNEA-5.2), a historic resolution was adopted. The resolution (5/14) requested the Executive Director of the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) to convene an Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) to develop "the instrument," which is to be based on a comprehensive approach that addresses the full life cycle of plastic, including its production, design, and disposal.

**[4] Session Flow: TBC**

Time	Agenda	Lead
3 minutes	Energizer	Bine

10 minutes	Introduction to plastic pollution problem and icebreaker	Bine & Ida
15 minutes	Introduction on INC process	Zuhair
5 minutes	CYMG & INC	Kartik
30 minutes	Groups reading and discussing different Revised Zero Draft sections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Part I &amp; V</a> (Initial Substantive Parts &amp; Institutional Arrangement)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Part III, IV &amp; VI</a> (Means of Implementation, Implementation Measures &amp; Annexes)</li> </ul>	Zuhair & Rabeb
30 minutes	Groups reading and discussing different Revised Zero Draft sections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Part II</a> (Core Obligations) 1. Primary plastic polymers - 6. Non-plastic substitutes</li> <li>• <a href="#">Part II</a> (Core Obligations) 7. Extended producer responsibilities - 13. <i>bis</i> Overarching provision related to Part II</li> </ul>	Bine, Ida
6 minutes	Brief on breakouts	
15 minutes	Mentimeter	Ida & Bine
5 minutes	Final remarks	