



**Fourth session of the Open-Ended Committee of Permanent
Representatives (OECPR-4)
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Closing Statement of the European Union and its Member States

Dear President,

Excellencies, distinguished Delegates,

I have the honour to deliver this closing statement on behalf of the European Union and its 28 Member States. Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia and Ukraine align themselves with this statement.

We welcome the constructive consultations we had so far during the OECPR and we appreciate the efforts that Member States, facilitators and the Secretariat have made during this process.

Let me also stress the positive spirit generated by all participants at this OECPR session, who have shown strong commitment and determination to achieve our common objective - *Innovative solutions for environmental challenges and sustainable consumption and production*. Let's keep the momentum!

We have also very much appreciated the various opportunities for engaging with stakeholders from civil society, the private sector, science etc., and we are impressed with their contributions to our common cause. This engagement with stakeholders should be further strengthened at subsequent meetings of UNEA.

We warmly thank the President of UNEA 4 for all the efforts made to find the support of all Member States for the draft Ministerial Outcome Document. We are confident that the President will be available to work with all Member States to finalize the document, while taking into account the results of the work during the weekend. We stand ready to engage with all other Member States to work constructively to contribute to an ambitious outcome to be adopted by the High Level Segment.

Thank you.