

Ecuador reflections

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It seems there is general consensus to have elements of sections 1 and 2, which can be strengthen.

We have to be clear that the mandate of the OEWG is “to consider the SG report and discuss possible options to address possible gaps in international environmental law and environment-related instruments”, this without necessarily implying making recommendations for a future process.

A suggestion, constructive and pragmatic, is that immediately after sections I and II we include a final paragraph “recommending the general assembly to circulate these recommendations to States and make them available to the Secretariats of the different International Environmental Agreements”, without generating a future process.

If there would be an appetite of the OEWG to recommend the consideration of a resolution of a declaration in a high-level event, we believe it is not necessary to generate a new process, but rather for it to take place in the framework of UNEP during a UNEA. Said document could emphasize on the increase of the provision of means if implementation, generating synergies and foster political will.

Also, we think that the idea brought by other delegations of having a declaration in the context of UNEA in 2022 for the commemoration of the Stockholm Conference, deserves our reflection.