

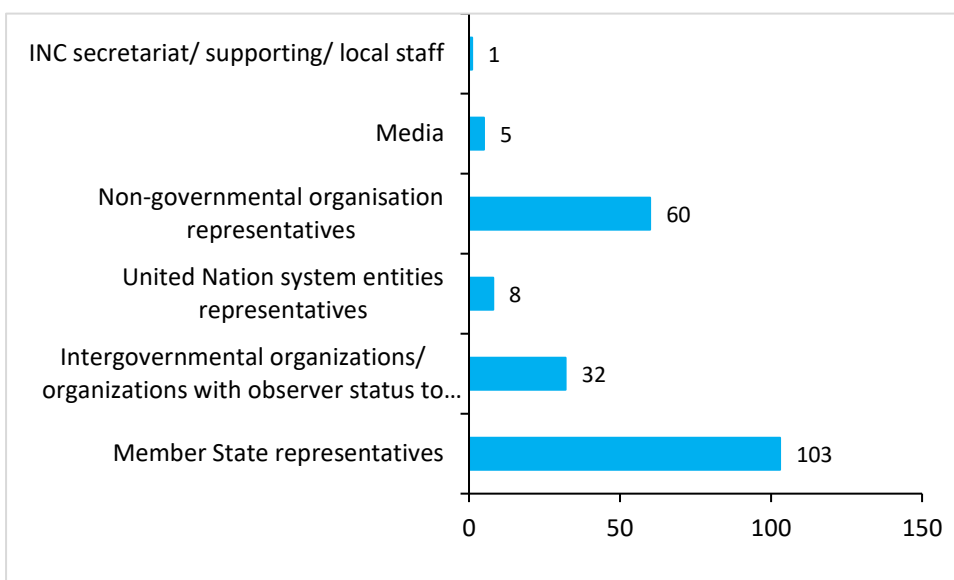
Feedback from the survey on the third session of the intergovernmental negotiating committee (INC-3) on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment.

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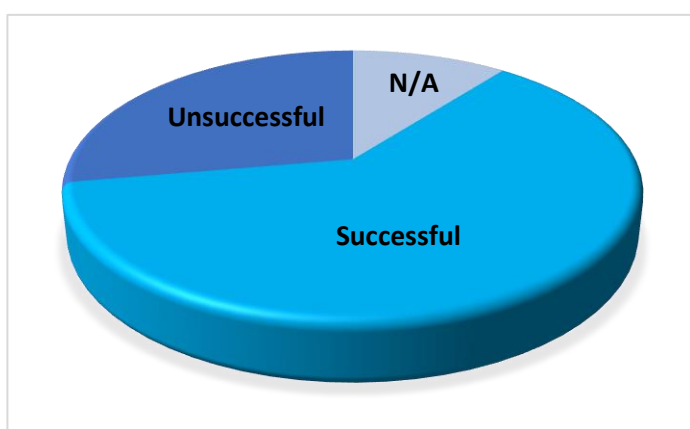
To assist the INC Secretariat in preparing for the upcoming sessions of the INC, participants that attended INC-3 were invited to complete a dedicated survey by 15 December 2023. The answers to the survey were anonymous.

A. Breakdown of the type of participation of respondent

A total of 209 participants responded to the survey.

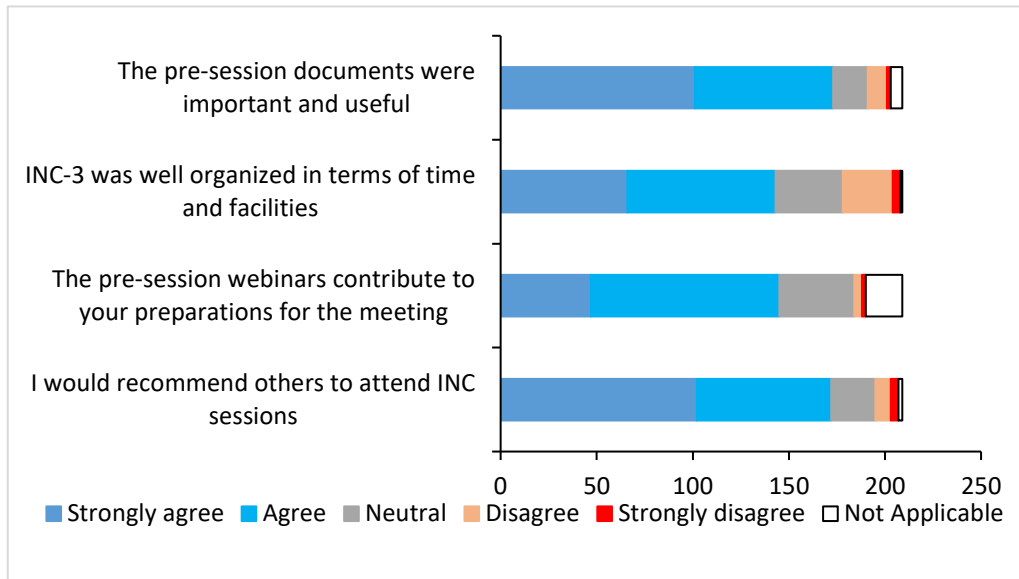


B. How successful was INC-3?



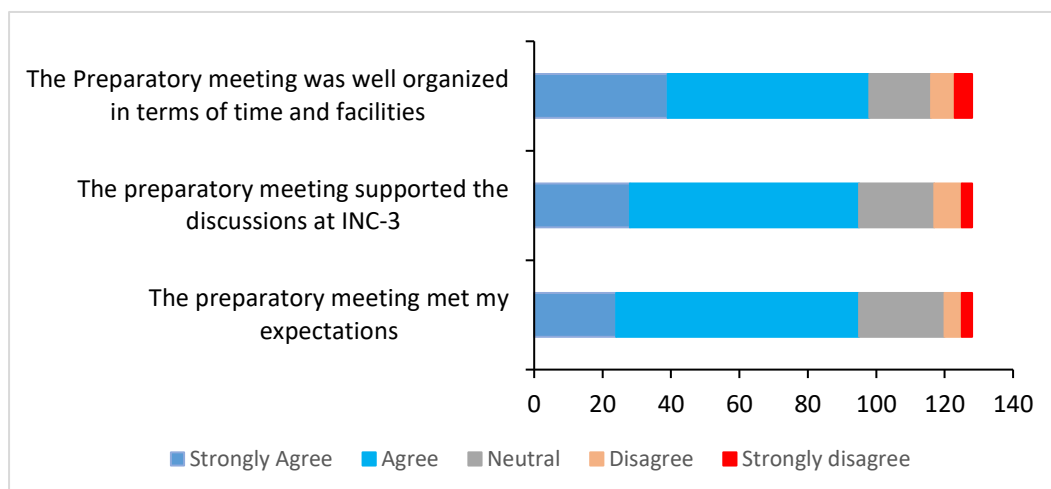
The majority of respondents considered INC-3 successful. Various respondents expressed disappointment with the lack of a formal mandate from INC-3 for intersessional work.

C. Evaluation of the organization of INC-3



The organizational aspects of INC-3 merited positive feedback. Most respondents found the pre-session documents and webinars useful to prepare for the third session of the INC and would recommend others to attend the INC sessions. Most respondents also considered INC-3 well organized in terms of time and facilities. Some respondents highlighted the need to plan for more sessions with interpretation, especially on the last day of the INC sessions. Some also indicated that more stock-tacking plenaries were needed to keep delegates informed about the work of each contact group.

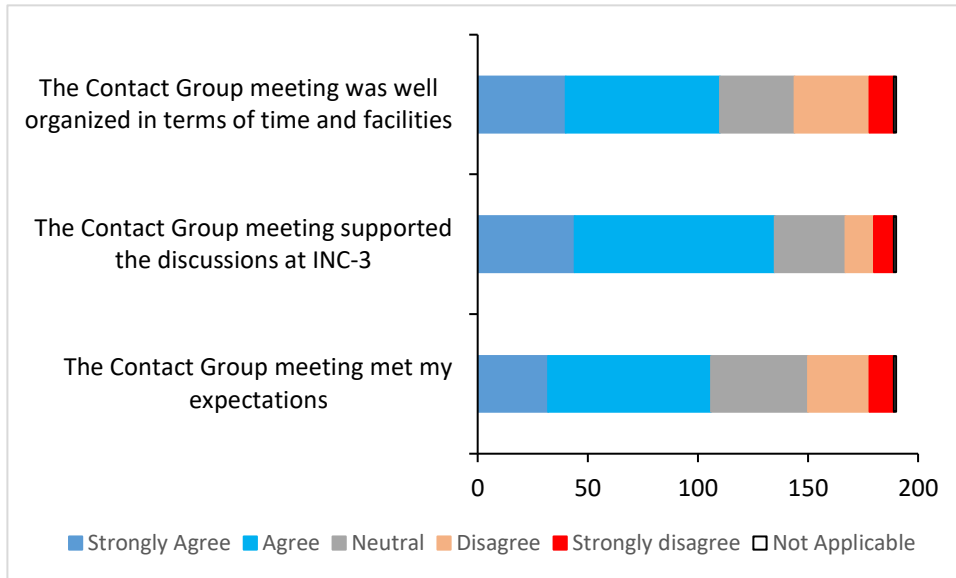
D. Evaluation of the preparatory meeting



Respondents were generally satisfied with the organization of the preparatory meeting mandated by the Committee at its second session. Many respondents considered the meeting successful in preparation for the negotiations during INC-3. Some noted that the date of release of the synthesis

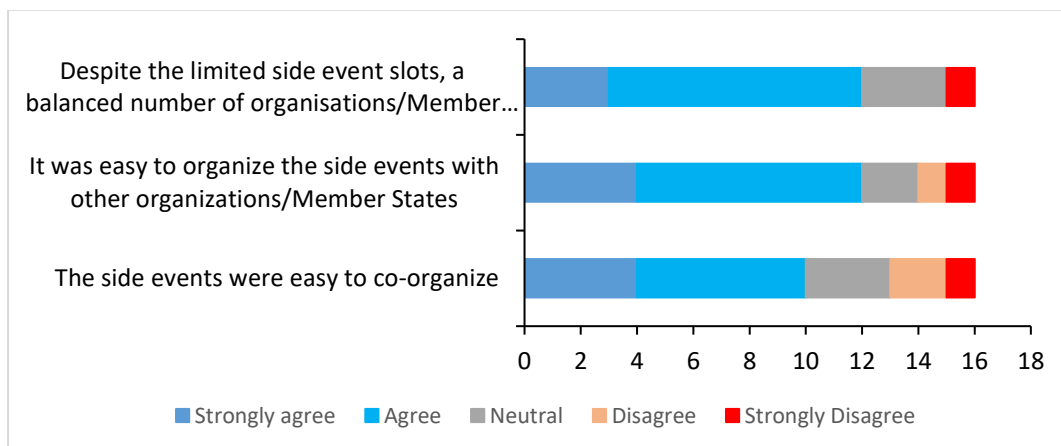
report was too close to the meeting, not allowing an in-depth analysis of the documentation in advance.

E. Evaluation of the contact group meetings



The majority of respondents considered the organization of, and discussions in the contact groups positive, although the overall feedback received varied. Several respondents pointed the need for contact groups to be given a clearer mandate, including on the expected outcomes. Some also indicated that contact groups could benefit from a more streamlined distribution and organization of topics. A few remarked that more time should be provided for observer interventions.

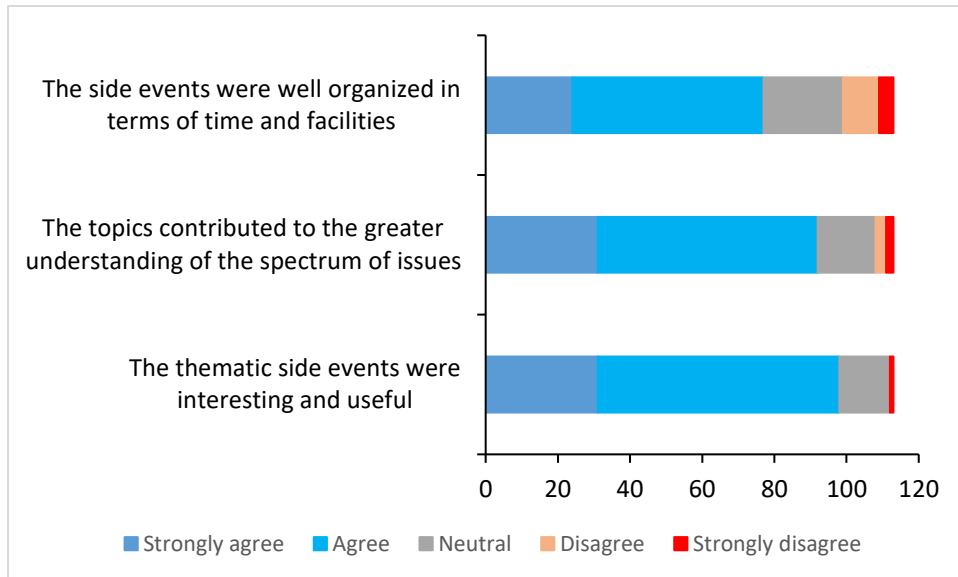
F. Evaluation of the side-events by organizers



The feedback received from organizers of side-events was generally positive. Many respondents indicated that the events were balanced in their composition and easy to organize. Nevertheless, some noted that organizing a side event with pre-determined topics and panellists presents some

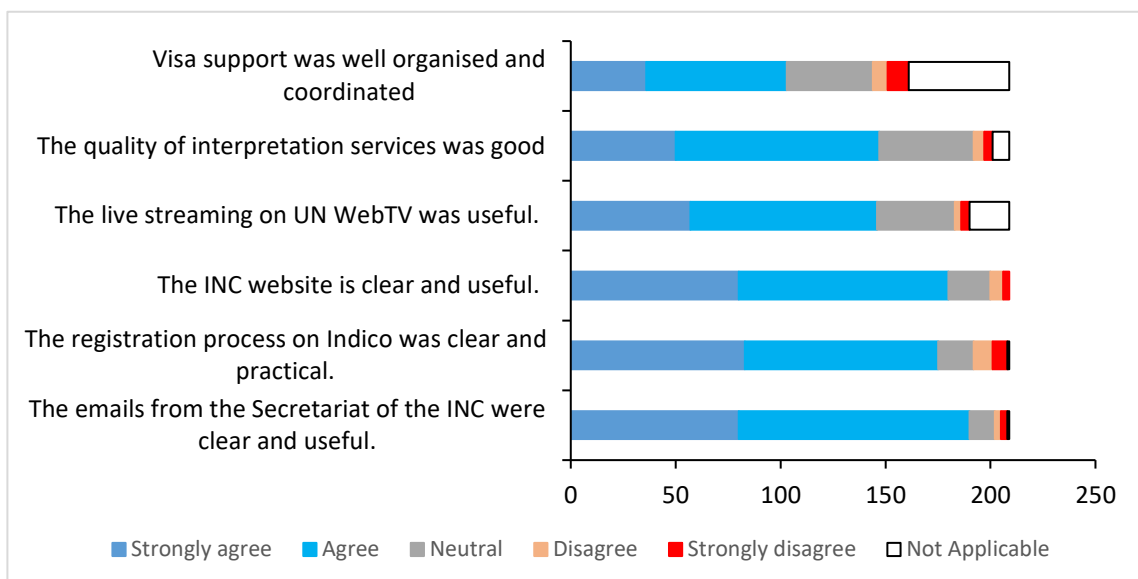
challenges. Several respondents stated the need for earlier communication on the modalities for organization and selection of side-events, to allow for better and timely preparation.

G. Evaluation of the side-events by participants



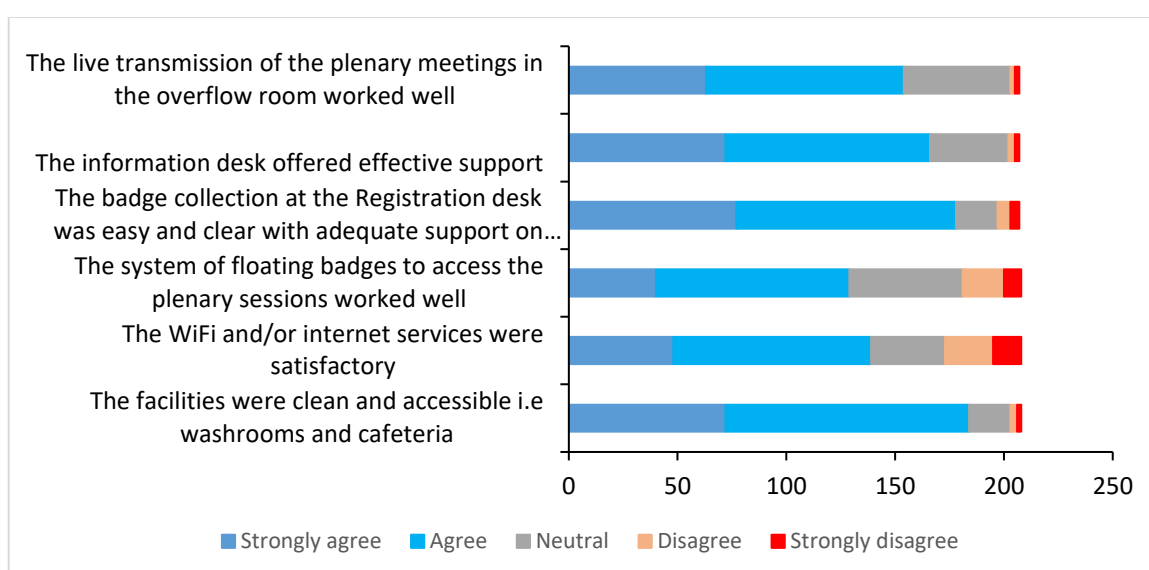
The evaluation of the side-events by participants was largely positive, with many finding the events interesting and informative. Some recommended more time for interaction and discussion with the audience. While some respondents noted the needed to increase the opportunities for more side-events at future INC sessions, others stressed that the time dedicated for negotiations should be prioritized over the organization of side-events. The small size of the rooms allocated for side-events was considered challenging by many respondents.

H. Evaluation of the platforms and channels used at INC-3



The platforms and channels used for the third session of the INC were considered useful, functional, and easy to access. Overall, the registration process was clear, although some participants considered the INDICO platform not user-friendly. The information available on the website was also considered accessible and useful. The quality of the interpretation services was good, but some respondents highlighted that interpretation was sometimes delayed and not clear. In terms of communication, the emails by the secretariat were considered clear and useful in delivering information to participants. Regarding the visa process, some respondents suggested to create a step-by-step instructions guide.

I. Evaluation of the facilities and services at INC-3



The evaluation of the facilities and services provided at INC-3 was largely positive. Some respondents expressed dissatisfaction with the system of floating badges implemented to access the plenary room. Others pointed to the lack of meeting rooms available for their meetings and the small size of the rooms, particularly the ones made available for side-events. Some respondent reported issues with the internet services and sound quality in the rooms. The badge collection process was generally considered streamlined and efficient.