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Dear Sir/Madam,

It is my pleasure to invite your organisation to attend the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (INC-5), scheduled to take place at the Busan Exhibition and Convention Center (BEXCO), in Busan, Republic of Korea, from 25 November to 1 December 2024. The session will be preceded by regional consultations on 24 November 2024.

Registrations for INC-5 will open on 19 July 2024 and the **deadline for registration is 20 September 2024, 23:59 East Africa Time**. Accredited organisations are invited to register **up to five (5) representatives** through the online registration system INDICO by accessing the appropriate registration category under the registration tab on the [INC-5 web page](#). Regional, sectoral, and gender balance amongst representatives is highly encouraged.

To facilitate the participation of accredited Observers from non-governmental organizations (NGOs) at INC-5, the INC Secretariat is in the position to provide travel support for the participation of a **maximum of 20 participants from duly accredited NGOs**. For more information on the application process, please consult here the [details for application for travel support from Observers from NGOs](#).

If you require an entry visa to the Republic of Korea, it is strongly recommended that you **apply for the visa at least 4 weeks prior to the meeting**. Participants are also strongly advised to get acquainted with the entry requirements and processes to obtain an entry visa to the Republic of Korea by consulting the [Visa Navigator](#) website for general information on the visa application as well as the [information note to participants](#). It is strongly recommended that participants who need to apply for a visa contact their nearest Korean Embassy or Consulate for detailed information.

Additional information on the fifth session of the INC will be made available on the [INC-5 web page](#). Participants are also encouraged to consult the [information note to participants](#) for practical and logistical information.

The INC Secretariat remains at your disposal for any information as needed at unep-incplastic.secretariat@un.org.

I look forward to continuing our collaboration on this important priority and to welcoming you at INC-5.

Yours sincerely,

[Signed]

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To: Observer organisations to the INC on Plastic Pollution