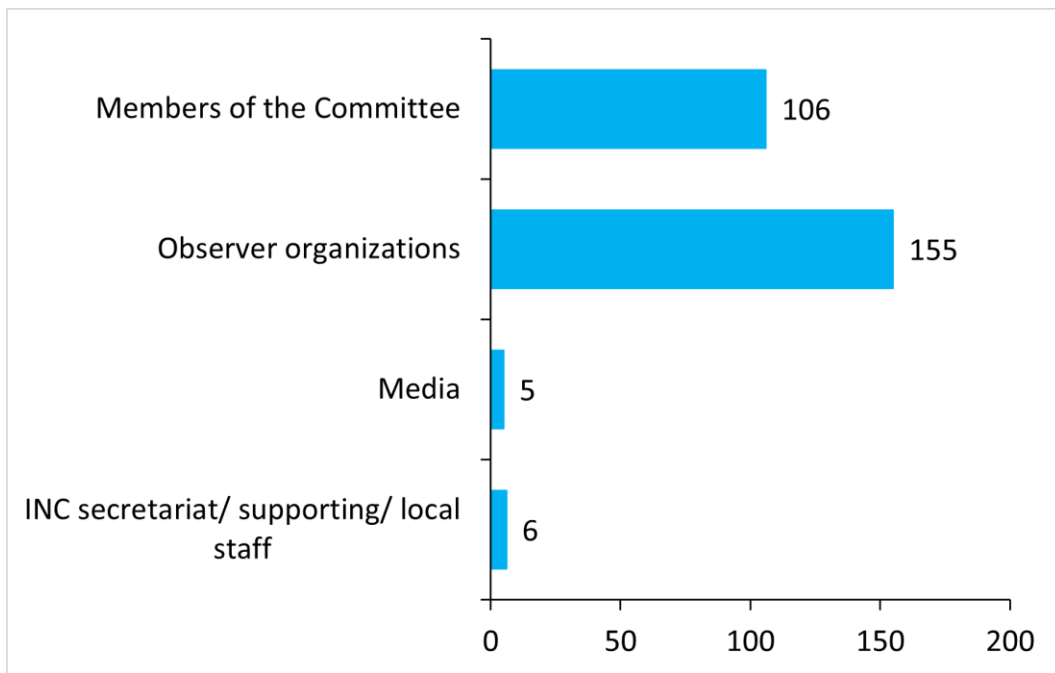




**Feedback from the survey on the first part of the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC-5.1) on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment from 25 November to 1 December 2024 at the Busan Exhibition and Convention Center in Busan, Republic of Korea.**

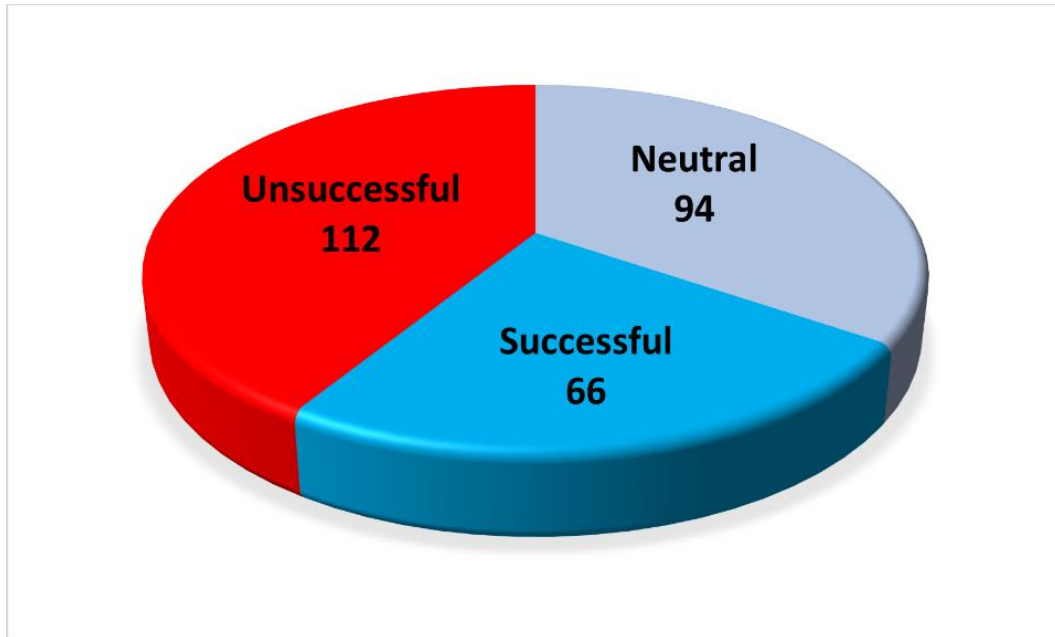
To assist the INC Secretariat in preparing for the upcoming resumed fifth session of the INC (INC-5.2), participants that attended INC-5.1 were invited to complete a survey by 22 December 2024. The answers to the survey were anonymous.

**A. Breakdown of the type of participation of respondent**



A total of 272 participants responded to the survey distributed by the INC Secretariat.

**B. How successful was INC-5.1?**

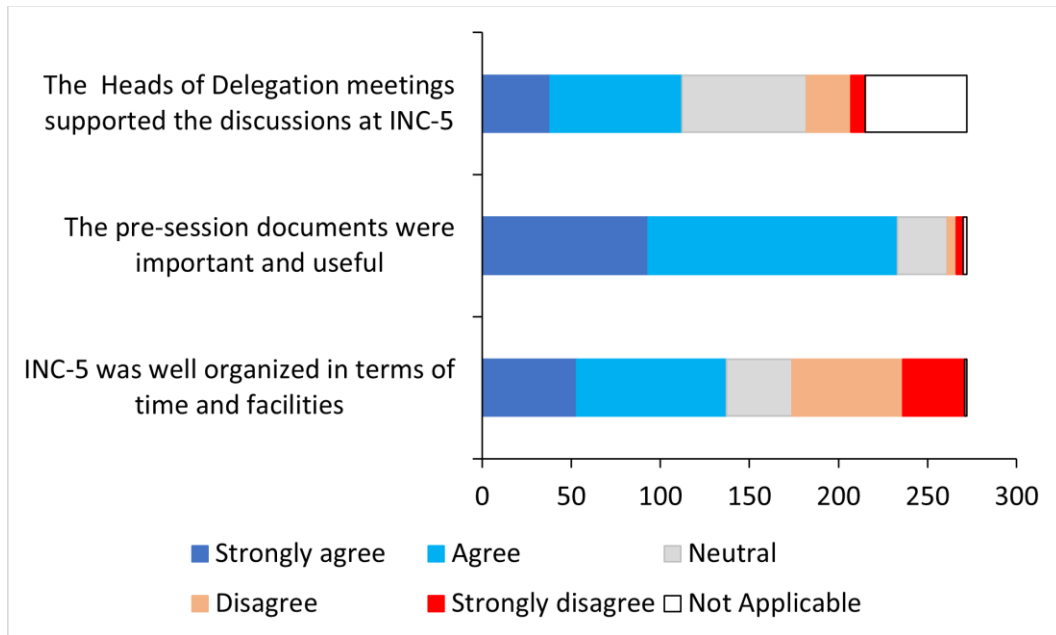


Over a third of respondents considered INC-5.1 successful, noting that there was no compromise in the ambition, and the pursuit of a strong legally binding instrument on plastic pollution continues.

However, many respondents considered INC-5.1 unsuccessful, as the session did not conclude the negotiations on the legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, as per the ambition set by UNEA Resolution 5/14.

Many respondents mentioned in their comments that they had hoped that the process would have moved substantively further.

**C. Evaluation of the organization of INC-5.1**

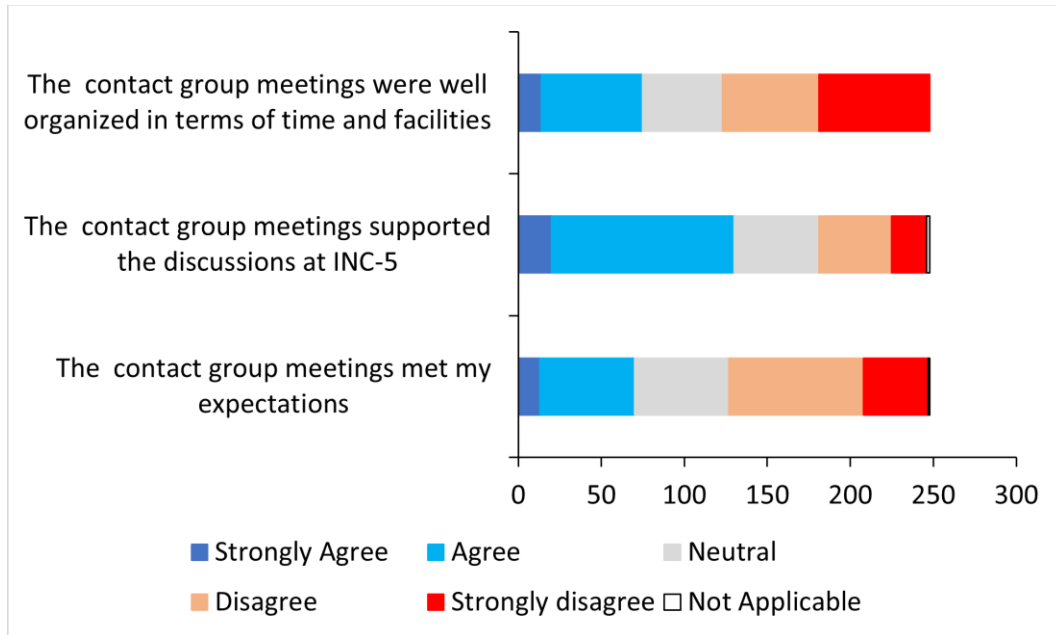


Some respondents considered the Heads of Delegation (HoD) meetings supported the discussions to advance the text in certain areas at INC-5.1. However, many remarked that the discussions could have been more focused and structured (*note that the HoD meetings were closed-door meetings of Members of the Committee*).

Most respondents found the pre-session documents helpful in preparing for INC-5.1. The organizational aspects of INC-5.1 generally merited positive feedback regarding time and facilities, and most respondents considered the INC-5.1 venue satisfactory.

However, a large percentage of respondents expressed dissatisfaction with the size of the Contact Group rooms and the lack of space for the participation of Observers. Many respondents also stressed the need to improve time management, noting that this was particularly difficult during the last three days of the session, and to have more structure and clarity in the organization of work.

**D. Evaluation of the contact group meetings**

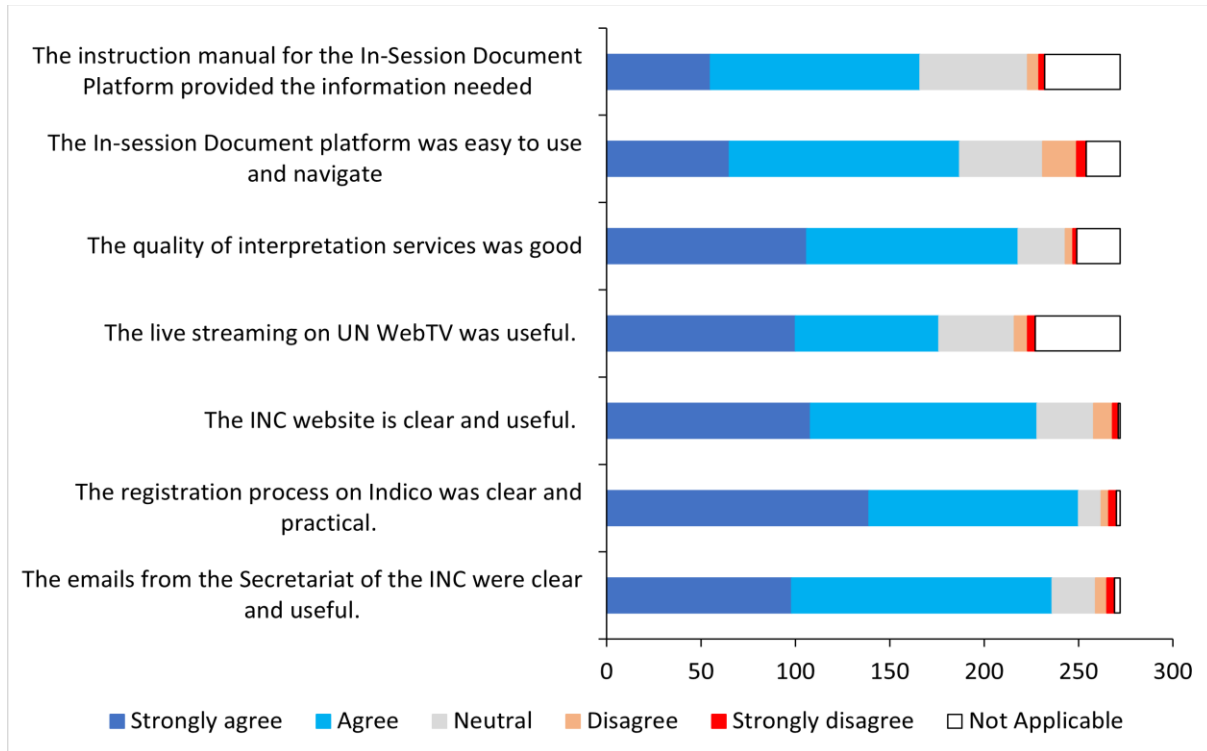


Overall, the Contact Group meetings did not meet most respondents' expectations with many considering that these meetings were not well organized in terms of time and facilities.

Feedback indicated that the Contact Group meetings would have benefited from a more consistent approach and clearer guidance on the topics being discussed at each meeting.

Many respondents also stressed the need to improve time management and the structure of the Contact Group meetings, as well as enhanced clarity and harmonization in their organization of work. Many also expressed dissatisfaction with the size of the Contact Group rooms, particularly the lack of seating for Observers. Despite these concerns, many respondents believed the Contact Group meetings still supported discussions at INC-5.1.

**E. Evaluation of the platforms and channels used at INC-5.1**



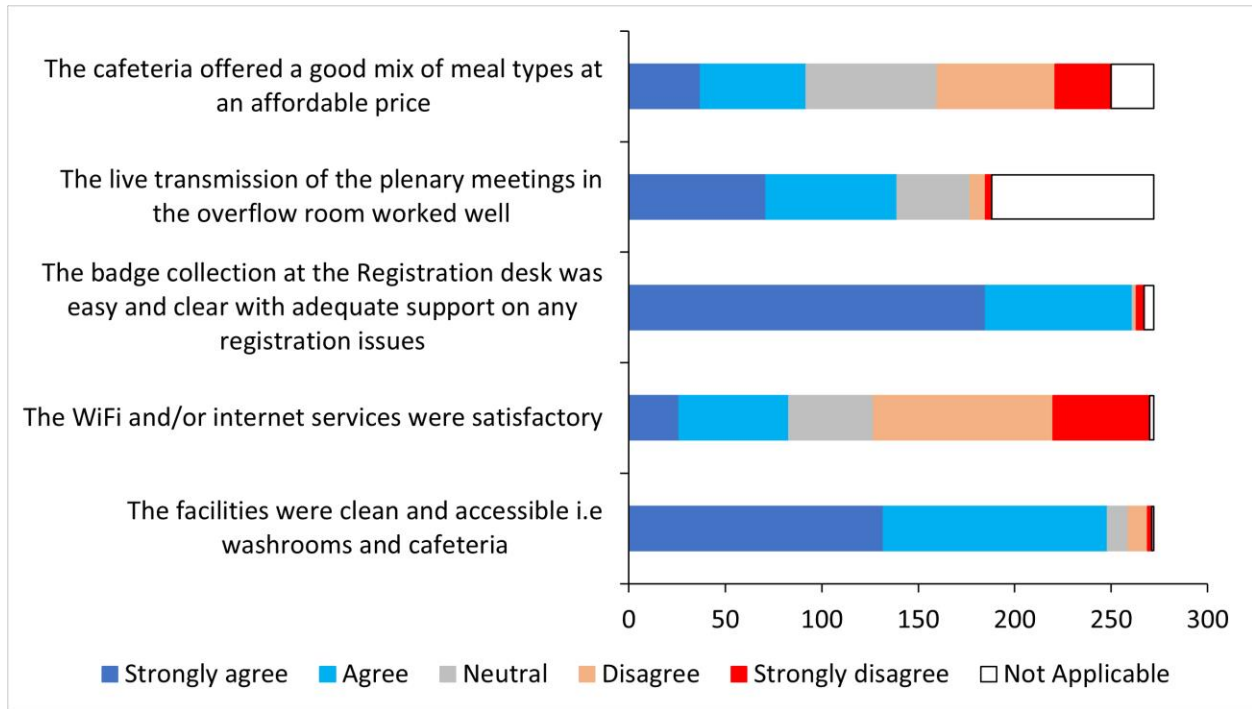
Respondents' evaluation of the platforms and channels used at INC-5.1 was largely positive. Most considered the In-session Documents Platform to be easy to use and navigate and the platform's instruction manual provided the required information.

Most respondents considered the quality of the interpretation and UN WebTV services to be very good.

Most considered that INC website to be clear and useful and that the registration process on Indico was clear and practical.

The emails from the INC Secretariat were generally considered clear and useful.

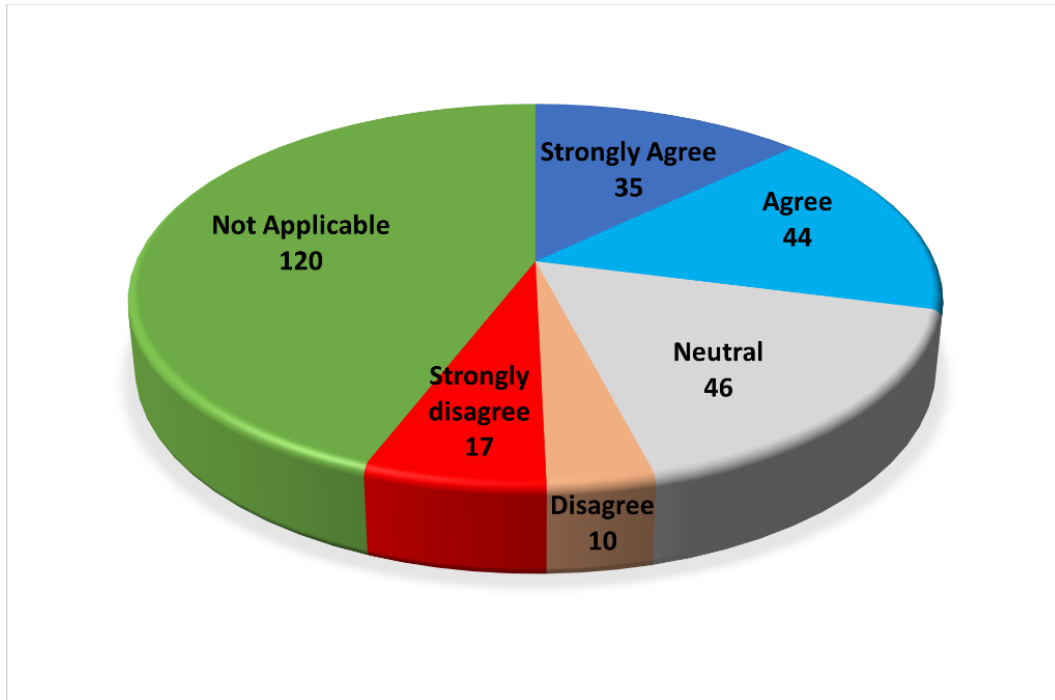
**F. Evaluation of the facilities and services at INC-5.1**



Most respondents considered the meals offered at the cafeteria were not affordable and that the Wi-Fi/internet services were not satisfactory. However, many recognized the efforts of the Host Country to improve the internet connection as the session progressed.

Most respondents considered that the live transmission in the overflow room of the Plenary meetings worked well. Most of the respondents found the facilities clean and accessible.

**G. The visa support was well organized and coordinated?**



When applicable, most respondents found the visa support to be well organized and coordinated, successfully obtaining their visas without issues. However, some respondents noted difficulties in liaising with the diplomatic missions of the Host Country regarding their visa requests.