## Resolution/Decision 2: proposed biennial Programme of work and Budget for 2016/2017

## Intervention delivered on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2014, Morning (10 AM – 01 PM)

Thank you Mr. Chair,

Mohamed Abdel Raouf from the Gulf Research Center and I am Representing the Scientific and Technological Community Major Group. The Women MG also supports this intervention.

We fully support the proposed increase of UNEP's budget for the biennium 2016-2017 coming from the Environment Fund from the current biennium's US\$245 million to US\$285 million, representing an overall increase of around 16% across the 7 sub-programmes under the Programme of Work. The increased budget should be allocated to the delivery of UNEP's core functions such as ensuring science-policy interface that includes a dynamic dialogue between modern science and traditional knowledge systems, and more support for ensuring effective and active participation of Major Groups and Stakeholders in UNEP deliberations and decision-making processes, both at the global and regional levels.

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