

## QUESTIONNAIRE

Based upon the input received, the following guiding questions are set out below.

### **I. Guiding questions concerning the preparatory process**

#### **1. The outcome reads: “Forward these recommendations to UNEA for its consideration”.**

- a. *Under which agenda item should UNEA 5 consider these recommendations?  
-appropriate to be put within the existing agenda item on international environmental policy as this is where most of the proposals for draft resolutions are considered and can be easily synthesized.*
- b. *One option being under the inclusion in the already established item 5 of the provisional agenda entitled “International environmental policy and governance issues” or by recommending the establishment of a new item?*

#### **2. The outcome mandates: “to prepare, at its fifth session (...) a political declaration (...):**

- a. *What level of detail should a text have in order to be considered by UNEA 5?  
-Identification and development of “elements”, which would serve as “building blocks” towards the political declaration.*
- b. *When should the “preparation of a political declaration” begin and what should be the recommended format, leadership and timeline of the preparatory process before UNEA 5?  
-develop a roadmap in line with the agreed event day  
- Consider CPR work programme addressing the mandate contained in para 8 – 10 of decision 2 of UNEA-4 on a review process, implementation on paragraph 88 of the Rio+20 Outcome Document and the commemoration of the creation of the United Nations Environment Programme, outcome of these processes that should be considered crucially impactful on the “preparation” of the political declaration.  
-leadership should be taken by a joint committee of UNEA Bureau and the Committee of Permanent Representatives to avoid duplication of tasks*
- c. *How can accredited stakeholders be involved, and member States without representation in Nairobi participate, in the process?  
-using global or international fora rather than smaller consultation groups in order to benefit from a broader global perspective on the various issues addressed by the Ad-hoc Open-ended working group established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 72/277.*

### **II. Guiding questions related to the a “United Nations high-level meeting [...] in the context of the context of the commemoration of the creation of UNEP**

#### **3. The outcome speaks about “a United Nations high-level meeting, subject to voluntary funding, in the context of the commemoration of the creation of the United Nations Environment Programme by the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment (...).”**

- a. *What is meant by “a United Nations high-level meeting, subject to voluntary funding, in the context of the commemoration of the creation of the United Nations Environment Programme by the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment”?  
-The calibre of the agenda of the meeting defines the high levelness with any willing member free to fund. The agenda will be confined to commemoration of the*

*creation of the United Nations Environment Programme by the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment*

- b. *Who is expected to convene the UN high-level meeting? What should its format be?*

*-Government of Sweden*

*- organize one single high-level meeting at the highest political level with one political declaration as its main outcome built from consultations regarding the commemoration of the creation of the United Nations Environment Programme by the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment held in Stockholm while the implementation of General Assembly resolution should continue under separate but mutually reinforcing tracks.*

**III. Guiding questions regarding the content of the political declaration and the support by the UNEP Secretariat**

- 4. The outcome also signals that the objective of the political declaration is “with a view to strengthening the implementation of international environmental law and international environmental governance, in line with paragraph 88 of the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled ‘The future we want’”.**

- a. *what ‘elements’ or ‘building blocks’ in the objectives guiding the recommendations and in the substantive recommendations contained in the Annex to Resolution 73/333 could be identified for inclusion in the political declaration to achieve the overall objective of “strengthening the implementation of international environmental law and international environmental governance, in line with paragraph 88 of the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on*

*Sustainable Development”?*

*-Sustainable development*

*- Successes and challenges highlighted during UNEA Ministerial declarations can be a source of elements or building blocks*

- b. How should the political declaration relate to the five objectives guiding the recommendations and to the thirteen substantive recommendations of the ad-hoc open-ended working group established pursuant to UN General Assembly resolution 72/277 and endorsed in UN General Assembly resolution 73/333?*
- c. Should there be a substantive connection between the political declaration and the commemoration of the creation of the United Nations Environment Programme by the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment? Yes*
- d. How should the political declaration be in line with paragraph 88 of the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development?*
  - It should be futuristic and capture the vision of all members*
- e. What kind of inputs should the Secretariat prepare in order to best assist member States in the preparation of the political declaration?*
  - analysis of relevant practices on environmental governance from a limited number of other relevant governing bodies ,*
  - An overview of existing legislative mandates and current practice at the UNEP governing bodies*