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**Ad hoc open-ended working group to prepare  
for the work of the intergovernmental negotiating  
committee to develop an international legally binding  
instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine  
environment**

Dakar, Senegal, 30 May – 1 June 2022

**Expressions of interest received by the secretariat to host meetings  
of the intergovernmental negotiating committee developing a  
legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the  
marine environment**

Annexed to the present note is a list of the expressions of interest received by the secretariat to host meetings of the intergovernmental negotiating committee to develop a legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment.

## Annex

1. In a letter dated 4 April 2022 from the Executive Director of UNEP, Member States in a position to do so were invited to express their interest to host one of the meetings of the intergovernmental negotiating committee to develop a legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including the in the marine environment.
  2. As of 28 May 2022, the secretariat has received the following expressions of interest to host meetings of the intergovernmental negotiating committee:
    - i. Canada expressed interest in hosting an intergovernmental negotiating committee in the 2023-2024 timeframe (e-mail received 14 May 2022).
    - ii. France expressed interest to host one of the meetings of the intergovernmental negotiating committee (e-mail received 27 May 2022).
    - iii. Kenya expressed interest in hosting meetings of the intergovernmental negotiating committee, in the spirit of strengthening UNEP headquarters as in the political declaration of UNEP@50 commemoration (Note Verbale received 18 May 2022).
    - iv. Rwanda expressed interest in hosting the Diplomatic Conference (Note Verbale received 29 April 2022).
    - v. Senegal expressed interest in hosting the last meeting of the intergovernmental negotiating committee (Note Verbale received 9 May 2022).
    - vi. South Korea expressed positive consideration in hosting a meeting of the intergovernmental negotiating committee (e-mail received 9 May 2022).
    - vii. Uruguay expressed interest in hosting the first meeting of the intergovernmental negotiating committee (Note Verbale received 29 April 2022).
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