

## Business and Industry Major Group Position Statement

*Effective, inclusive, and sustainable multilateral actions to tackle  
climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution*

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Thank you, Excellency!

Business and Industry extends our congratulations to you, Excellency, Member States, UNEP and all stakeholders who have been part of the preparation of UNEA-6. As business, we reaffirm our commitment to taking action to tackle the triple planetary crisis - climate change, nature loss and pollution, while also contributing to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals and Agenda 2030.

Business welcomes the theme of this UNEA-6 and the proposed resolutions. *Effective, inclusive, and sustainable multilateral actions to tackle the crisis* require our coordinated, consolidated, and collaborative efforts.

Business is pleased to share the inaugural BIMG Beacons projects 2024. These are shining examples of scalable business association projects that are helping to tackle climate change, nature and biodiversity loss, pollution, and waste all around the world. This is not just a showcase of our commitment, but a call to create, showcase and scale up inspiring collaborations - business-led and public-private demonstrations that provide an evidence base for “how to” fix these challenges. We need such Beacon Project examples from all around the world that can illustrate to decision makers how innovations and investments that bring together business, innovation and society can tackle the interconnected challenges of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution all at once and bring results for everyone, shoring up our multilateral public good institutions and creating economic value and tackling inequalities especially for poor people, as a result.

Some of the areas business is already taking bold action include:

- *Accelerating system-wide transformations of high impact sectors:* business is already changing internal processes using lifecycle assessments to improve production processes.
- *Promoting circularity, resource efficiency, and regenerative production approaches:* Business is transitioning to a more circular economy and making commitments in the areas of green finance, green jobs, green businesses, and green energy.
- *Food systems transformation:* business continues to innovate and transform food systems through solutions such as climate-smart agriculture, regenerative agriculture, sustainable farming systems, and sustainably managing and reducing the externalities of food production. Business believes it is important to partner with smallholders, SMEs and startups to build their capacity to sustainably produce.

Business appreciates the recognition of the need to tackle the crisis in conjunction with related economic and social issues. We look forward to continued engagement at UNEA6 and strengthening of synergies that will scale action towards a sustainable future.

Excellencies, distinguished delegates, we wish you successful deliberations in the days ahead.

Thank you, Your Excellency!