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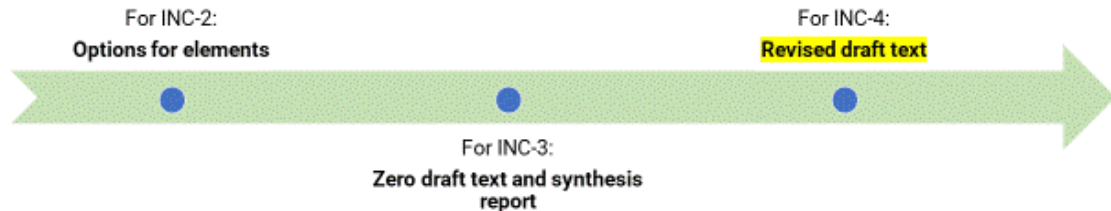
Kerry Allbeury, INC Secretariat

Intergovernmental negotiating committee (INC) - Process timeline

Resolution UNEA 5/14: Intergovernmental negotiating committee (INC) to negotiate an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment, with the ambition of completing its work by the **end of 2024**.



Intergovernmental negotiating committee (INC) – Key meeting documents



Third session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC-3)

13 to 19 November 2023 (UNON, Nairobi, Kenya)

- The Committee requested the Secretariat to compile a “**revised draft text**”, based on merged texts put forward by contact groups 1 and 2, and the outcome document of contact group 3.
- The revised draft text will be the **starting point and basis for textual negotiations at INC-4**, without prejudice to the right of any Member to propose additions, deletions or modifications during the negotiations at INC-4.
- Agreement on the **dates for INC-4** in Canada (Ottawa, 23-29 April 2024) **and INC-5** in Republic of Korea (Busan, 25 November-1 December 2024)

Revised draft text of the instrument: UNEP/PP/INC.4/3

- Made available in English on 28 December 2023, all language versions now available
- Prepared by the secretariat pursuant to mandate from INC-3
- Compiles the texts contained in outcome documents of the 3 INC-3 contact groups
- Structure based on outline of the “zero draft” text: 6 parts
- Contains options for each element, including “zero” options

Fourth session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC-4)

23 to 29 April 2024 (Ottawa, Canada)

- Opportunity for regional consultations on 21 April
- As agreed at INC-3, the revised draft text to be the **starting point and basis for textual negotiations at INC-4**, without prejudice to the right of any Member to propose additions, deletions or modifications in the course of negotiations at INC-4.
- **Proposed organization of work:** Chair’s scenario note (UNEP/PP/INC.4/4)
 - Objectives identified for the meeting include:
 - a. Advancing the revised text of the instrument
 - b. Deciding on any intersessional work required between the fourth and fifth sessions
 - Proposed establishment of 2 contact groups, covering all elements of the revised draft text, with subgroups dedicated to different elements of the text, to conduct textual negotiations
 - Proposed establishment of a legal drafting group

Side events, webinars and other



Webinars

Date	Theme
Wednesday 27 March	Observers
Thursday 28 March	Observers
Monday 15 April	Logistics and revised draft text

Side events

Date	Theme
Wednesday 24 April	Plastic pollution in the marine environment
Wednesday 24 April	Approaches to capacity building, financing and financial mechanisms
Thursday 25 April	Enabling just transition

Partnership Day will be hosted by the Government of Canada on 22 April (separate event from the INC)

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INC-4 Meeting documents

Working documents

Document symbol	Title
UNEP/PP/INC.4/1	Provisional agenda
UNEP/PP/INC.4/1.add	Annotated agenda
UNEP/PP/INC.4/2	Draft Rules of Procedure
UNEP/PP/INC.4/3	Revised draft text
UNEP/PP/INC.4/4	Chair's scenario note

Information documents

INF submitted by the Secretariat

UNEP/PP/INC.4/INF/1	Update - Plastics science (UNEP/PP/INC.1/7) (to be issued)
UNEP/PP/INC.4/INF/2	Update - Overview of existing funding currently available for addressing plastic pollution through international funding arrangements, including from other processes, programmes, multilateral funds, development banks and private sector initiatives (UNEP/PP/INC.1/9; UNEP/PP/INC.1/INF/10) (to be issued)

INF documents submitted by UN entities and MEAs

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