

GRULAC SUBMISSION
LEGALLY BINDING INSTRUMENT ON PLASTIC POLLUTION
MEANS OF IMPLEMENTATION

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An ambitious agreement to end plastic pollution, including in the marine environment, will demand that developing countries be provided with commensurate means for its implementation, informed by the best available science, traditional knowledge, knowledge of Indigenous Peoples and local knowledge systems, as well as socioeconomic information and assessment related to plastic pollution.

To do so, the INC should discuss means of implementation from an integrated perspective, including the issue of different sources and instruments. The INC should thus conceive of a robust integrated mechanism that ensures the provision and mobilization of new, additional and predictable flows of financial resources to support relevant research, development, and innovation (R&D&I) projects, promote technology transfer and know how, and provide capacity building and technical assistance. This integrated system of implementation and the scale of the challenge ahead of us will also demand a dedicated financial mechanism.

For INC-2 discussions to reach the expected level of ambition, GRULAC reiterates that the discussions on means of implementation be initiated and addressed at the same time as other substantial elements such as obligations and control measures.

In light of the above, GRULAC kindly requests the secretariat, subject to the availability of resources, to prepare ahead of the INC-2 meeting a working document on all dimensions of means of implementation with some examples drawn from other international instruments and arrangements.