Thank you, Co-Chair,

My name is Janna Radi, I speak today on behalf of the **Children and Youth Major Group to UNEP (CYMG).** CYMG is the official space for young people under UNEP, established through Agenda 21 at the Rio Earth Summit in 1992. We're a diverse and growing network of over **1,500 youth-led organizations** and more than **10,000 young people** from more than 120 countries, including 64 UNEP-accredited organizations.

We're grateful to be part of this process, especially after engaging in last week's negotiations on the new Intergovernmental **science-policy panel on chemicals, waste and pollution (ISP-CWP),** and now, continuing here with the Global Framework on Chemicals. What's been truly exciting is how this process is opening doors. We acknowledge and value the contributions of other youth platforms and networks engaging in the chemicals, waste and pollution space, and we hope interest grows across youth platforms under other multilateral environmental agreements to support implementation of the GFC across systems.

As we think about the future of this framework, we want to reiterate that the principle of **intergenerational equity** must remain at its heart. Intergenerational equity means ensuring that today's actions do not compromise the rights and well-being of future generations. Some of the chemicals we're discussing, like **endocrine disruptors and PFAs**, have effects that don't just stay in the present. They shape the health and wellbeing of future generations.

That's why we also see **sustainable financing** as an enabler to a safer future, supporting not just governments, but also young people in research, innovation, and civil society to implement this framework in their countries and communities.

We look forward to continuing this journey with all of you, and we warmly invite you to connect with young people at the upcoming Youth Environment Assembly, ahead of UNEA-7. There, we'll be sharing updates on CYMG's advocacy across key processes related to chemicals, waste, and pollution — including but not limited to the negotiations for a global plastics treaty, the Montreal Protocol, the Global Framework on Chemicals, and the newly established science-policy panel on chemicals, waste and pollution. We're especially proud to be doing this in **Nairobi, Kenya** — the beautiful home of UNEP, and where CYMG has been actively coordinating youth engagement.

Thank you so much.