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Subject: Regional consultation of the group of Eastern European States in preparation for the second part of the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment, on 3 August 2025, in Geneva, Switzerland.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to invite your country to attend the regional consultation of the group of Eastern European States in preparation for the second part of the fifth of the intergovernmental negotiating committee to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (INC-5.2).

The regional consultation will take place at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, on 3 August 2025 and will take place in addition to the dedicated day for regional consultations ahead of INC-5.2 on 4 August 2025. The aim of the regional consultation is to undertake discussions at a regional level and to support Member States in their preparations for INC-5.2, scheduled to take place from 5 to 14 August 2025 in Geneva, Switzerland. Additional information on INC-5.2, including the meeting documents, are available on the [INC-5.2 web](#) page.

I hereby invite nominated delegates to register to participate in regional consultation of the group of Eastern European States on 3 August 2025, via the following link: [Register here](#). Please note that the meeting will be fully in-person. **The deadline for registration is 6 June 2025.**

Applications for travel support are in addition to the registration for the regional consultation on 3 August 2025 and must be submitted via this link: [Applications for travel support](#). **The deadline for applications for travel support is 30 May 2025.**

Delegations are kindly requested to clearly indicate in the Note Verbale or nomination letter with the composition of the national delegation, which delegate is nominated to receive travel support to attend the regional consultation.

For those delegates who have been nominated to attend INC 5.2, the INC Secretariat will extend the DSA for both eligible delegates for the additional day and adjust the flight accordingly to cover both meetings. However, if the delegate nominated and funded for INC 5.2 are not attending the Regional Consultation, and a different delegate is nominated for travel support, travel and DSA support for the regional consultation will be provided for ONE (1) government representative. **Please note that in any case, registration and application for travel support for the regional consultation on 3 August 2025 needs to be submitted via the above links.**

Participants are responsible for their own hotel arrangements, visa applications, health requirements or other necessary entry permits. Further logistical information will be provided in the information note which will be shared with participants soon.

The agenda and any background documents will be shared with participants in due course.

For any questions regarding the regional consultation of the group of Eastern European States, please contact the INC Secretariat (unep-incplastic.secretariat@un.org).

We very much look forward to meeting with you at this important meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Signed

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To: Designated National Focal Points to the INC on Plastic Pollution for the Group of Eastern European States