## The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's submission

## **Article 16: Effectiveness Evaluation and Monitoring Periodic Assessment**

- [1. The Conference of the Parties shall periodically evaluate review the effectiveness of the Convention instrument. The review will not be used to impose new obligations or alter the existing objective, obligations and scope of the instrument. This periodic review will focus on supporting countries, particularly developing countries, as a platform for sharing experiences, identifying areas for capacity building, and promoting collaborative solutions, while being facilitative, non-punitive in-light of equity and national circumstances.
- 2. The Conference of the Parties shall, at its first meeting, initiate the establishment of arrangements for providing itself with relevant data and information on plastic pollution, and adopt the modalities for the evaluation of effectiveness and monitoring of the Convention.
- 3. The first evaluation of effectiveness of the Convention shall be undertaken no later than six years after the date of entry into force of the Convention and thereafter at intervals to be decided by the Conference of the Parties.
- 4. The evaluation shall be conducted on the basis of available scientific, environmental, technical, financial and economic information, including:
  - (a) Any National Plans submitted by Parties;
  - (b) National reporting pursuant to Article 15;
  - (c) Reports and other information provided to the Conference of the Parties pursuant to paragraph 2;
  - (d) Best available scientific and technical knowledge;
  - (e) Information and recommendations provided by the Implementation and Compliance Committee referred to in Article 13;
  - (f) Relevant information and recommendations provided by any subsidiary body established by the Conference of the Parties and relevant reports from multilateral environmental agreements and multilateral organizations such as International Labour Organization, International Maritime Organization, World Customs Organization, World Health Organization, and World Trade Organization; and (g) Other information the Conference of the Parties deems relevant.
- 5. The Conference of the Parties shall take into account the outcomes of the evaluation of effectiveness of the Convention when determining needs of developing countries to further support the implementation of the instrument. The measures required to enhance the effectiveness of the Convention, including measures to support developing countries in overcoming challenges related to the implementation of the Convention.]