2. Objective

We suggest to add the words “end plastic pollution” at the beginning, in order to emphasize that ending plastic pollution is the goal, without being depended to protect human health. The constant need to prove a connection between pollution and harmful effects, might harm and delay the efforts to prevent plastic pollution.

also, take off the word “additional” in the brackets, because of the current existence of pollution.

The suggestion:

1. The objective of this instrument* is to end plastic pollution, [protect human health and the environment from] [the adverse effects of] [end] plastic pollution, including in the marine environment [and other aquatic as well as terrestrial ecosystems], [by ending plastic pollution] [based on a comprehensive approach that addresses the full life cycle of plastic] [through the prevention, progressive reduction and [elimination] [remediation] of [additional]** plastic pollution] [management] [and utilization of plastic and plastic waste] [according to national priorities] [by 2040] [and enhanced efforts thereafter], [in order] [to protect human health and the environment][from its adverse effects][and to achieve sustainable development], poverty eradication and just transition[,] [considering the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities] [as well as financial and technical support].

5. Scope

We support option 1 of the scope, in this option, we propose to remove the word "pollution" in brackets, because it limits the efforts to the stage where plastic is considered pollution, and we will not be able to solve plastic pollution without dealing with upstream production, design, consumption etc.

We find there are missing words near the end of this option – and suggest “harmful and high-risk plastic products and chemicals categories”

Option 1:

This instrument* [is based on a comprehensive approach that] addresses the full [whole] life cycle of plastic [pollution] [including in the marine environment] [from the design of plastic products to the environmentally sound management of plastic waste] [from extraction to production, design, use, consumption, disposal and remediation and] [based on comprehensive regulations and collaborative measures based on a hierarchy between avoidance, reduction, reuse, recycling, and elimination], taking into account, among other things, the principles of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, as well as national circumstances and capabilities. [It addresses all sources of plastic pollution [and leakage, including legacy plastic pollution] and covers plastic materials and products, as well as plastic related chemicals and microplastics. It recognizes [and addresses] the risk of plastic pollution to human health and the environment and the impact on climate change and biodiversity.] [It also prioritizes and addresses the elimination of problematic, harmful and high-risk plastic products and chemicals categories or and sustainable production and consumption of plastics, including environmentally sound management, resource efficiency and circular economy]
With regard to groups A B C - Medical and health use, Emergency response to public health incidents and natural disasters, Scientific and experimental research, and other specific products to exempt, the correct place should be in part 2, subject 3 - Problematic and avoidable plastic products. or at the very least excluding upon a specific examination of the circumstances that would allow exclusion, while referring to the essence of the convention, on the one hand and special needs on the other.

Groups C and D - Raw materials, virgin polymers, and any dual-use items, should be applied under this instrument to make it effective.