Part II

7. Extended producer responsibility

Kazakhstan position: Currently, Kazakhstan has a mechanism for extended producer responsibility taking into account national capabilities and peculiarities. Kazakhstan has come a long way to establish this mechanism. We believe that this mechanism should be regulated at the national level and any guidelines should be of a recommendatory nature.

We pre-support option 1 with some adjustments.

Option 0
No provision on this matter.

Option 1

[Introduction]
1. [Each Party][who does not yet have its EPR system/scheme][shall][is encouraged to consider to][establish][, regulate,][implement][and operate][, as appropriate][within its jurisdiction][as per its national plan and based upon][taking into account][their national circumstances and capabilities][according to its specific conditions][a][n][mandatory][national][fiscal and/or non-fiscal] extended producer responsibility (EPR) [system][scheme][or any systems or mechanisms serving the same purpose][most appropriate to a specific region or country, taking into account market conditions, national capabilities and circumstances,][including based on the modalities [covering the products] contained in annex D][with flexibility in the scope of the application][including, where relevant, on a sectoral [or product] basis,][…]

[Objectives]
…to incentivize [plastic reduction, [increased] reuse,] increased recyclability, promote [high quality recycling and]** higher recycling rates, [just transition with special consideration of waste pickers,] and [increasing public awareness] [enhance the accountability of producers and importers for safe and environmentally sound management, of plastics [and for littering,] and plastic products throughout their life cycle [and across international supply chains][promoting plastic reuse,] increased recyclability, and higher recycling rates for plastics and plastic products].

[Implementation]
2.1 [Parties shall, in implementing this provision, take into account how the measures taken would contribute to a just transition.]

2.2. The governing body* shall,[ at its first session,][adopt][develop][implementable][modalities][guidance][guidelines][as outlined in Annex D][to inform the establishment][for design and implementation][of national EPR [systems][schemes][or any systems or mechanisms that serve the same purpose as EPR systems]] and [identify][define][their essential features, and to [encourage][support] their [alignment][harmonization], taking into account [how the measures taken would contribute to][how EPR systems can support][the objective of][ensuring] a just transition. These guidelines are [This guidance is] of a recommendatory nature.
2.3. The measures taken to implement this provision shall may be reflected in the national plan communicated pursuant to [Part IV.1 on national plans].

**Option 2**

1. Parties shall ensure that all plastic producers operating in their jurisdiction are part of mandatory Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes and multinational corporations who introduce plastic products especially in developing countries through franchise, subsidiaries, agents or any other arrangements, shall minimize their plastic pollution footprint through EPR schemes.

2. Parties shall ensure that EPR schemes have efficient and effective traceability and accountability mechanisms.

3. Parties may consider cooperating at regional and global level, in the implementation of EPR schemes.