PART II 7 – Extended producer responsibility

Thank you for the streamlining work on Extended Producer Responsibility.

We note that the current text attempts to capture the range of Member States positions accurately.

We support working on the basis of Option 1, while highlighting our support for mandatory language to establish a mandatory EPR scheme, which could be country specific.

We would also support the indication of clear objectives, including to waste management and just transition based on the modalities that will be contained in an Annex.

This is in line with our national law, that institutionalized the extended producer responsibility mechanism as a practical approach to upstream measures as well as efficient waste management, focusing on waste reduction, recovery and recycling, and the development of environment-friendly products that advocate the internationally accepted principles on sustainable consumption and production, circular economy, and producers' responsibility throughout the full life cycle of their product.

We also would like to support elements indicated in Option 3 such as:

• Parties shall ensure that EPR schemes have efficient and effective traceability and accountability mechanisms
• Parties may consider cooperating at regional and global level, in the implementation of EPR schemes.