

**In-session document by Sri Lanka on the provisions on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) in the future international instrument on plastic pollution**

We have noticed that the Chair's non-paper does not have any comprehensive article related to EPR. It was only mentioned briefly under Article 8 point 2 d. Based on our national experiences, voluntary approaches have proven insufficient to address plastic pollution. As we have stressed in the Nairobi meeting held recently, **Mandatory EPR schemes** are essential for achieving meaningful reduction on plastics pollution and ensuring accountability at all levels.

Therefore, Sri Lanka strongly supports the addition of a standalone Article on Mandatory Extended Producer Responsibility schemes.