Saudi Statement on Means of Implementation and Implementation Measures

MoI

- Support is to be provided on the base of the Rio principle on CBDR
- We recognize that developed countries are providing this support to developing countries
- Means of implementation should be informed by the needs and priorities of developing countries and what they need to implement their respective responsibilities within the agreement, as without it we won’t be able to implement the measures we agree on in CG1
- Reflecting on the paper itself:
  - General
    - 22 is acceptable
    - 23 we want to ensure the link the MoI with the needs of developing countries
  - Finance
    - 24, We agree with the calls of having a dedicated financial mechanism (24a) with clarity that finance is from developed to developing countries and there isn’t different funding sources
    - We can also go for b and c
    - 24 E is not acceptable at all as a financing resource, we acknowledge that some countries implement them, but on the national context
    - With that in mind we want to stress we aren’t in favor of the private finance discussions and we don’t see it as part of the financing options
    - We also echo the success of the Montreal Protocal on funding
  - Capacity building and technical is a key element to us and we look forward to discussing in depth
    - As for the concerns on the flows we need to listen to the discussion on CG1 to understand how the flows of finance will happen for the zero draft
    - We also echo the success of the Montreal Protocal on funding
    - On Capacity building and element we would like to add is regional workshops is one way to highlight differences and commonalities between countries, in providing solutions to tackle plastic pollution
    - As what can work in certain region, might not work in another region
    - The importance of recognizing regional differences, in the challenges and opportunities
  - Technology transfer is important as well, but the know how must be included
    - We do not see the Minamata as a good practice to include
  - Addressing socio-economic issues and ensuring adequate means of implementation are critical for achieving sustainable development and promoting effective implementation of environmental policies and programs.
Implementation Measures

Discussions on implementation measures is premature at this stage and would be guided by the discussion on control elements, but below are high level considerations

- **National Reporting**
  - Countries to report based on their Nationally determined action, for example Saudi would be interested in reporting on Socio-Economic impacts of the implementation of Plastic Pollution Policies whether it is International or Domestic
  - We don’t see reporting to add any burden to developing countries
  - We see a possibility of facilitative sharing of views
  - We don’t see the harmonization of reporting

- **Compliance**
  - Must not be intrusive
  - Modalities to be discussed by the COP
  - Enabling measure and not punitive

- **Periodic Assessment**
  - We don’t see it as a shaming and blaming
  - Identify areas of capacity gaps and needs
  - Modalities to be discussed by the COP

We suggest a call for submission on intersessional options and from there we can decide on priorities