Part IV.6. Information exchange

Alt. 1 Each Party shall facilitate and undertake exchange of information relevant to the implementation of the *instrument*, including on:

a. [no change]

b. OP1.b Alt Research, and technologies, *innovation, and green chemistry* on voluntary and mutually agreed terms related to plastic;

c. OP1.c Alt Knowledge, including Indigenous knowledge, *inter alia*, on environmentally sound waste management of *plastic waste*, sources of plastic pollution, human and fauna and flora exposure to plastic pollution and the associated risk management and *pollution reduction* policies, actions, and other options.

OP2 Alt. Parties may exchange the information referred to in paragraph 1 directly, through an online registry, a clearinghouse to be maintained by the secretariat, or in cooperation with other relevant international instruments and organizations, as appropriate.

3. [No change]

OP4 Alt. Parties are encouraged to learn from and build on existing ongoing processes, initiatives and networks to share knowledge, and highlight successes, *including examples of replicating* and *scaling* sustainable solutions *in addressing plastic pollution*.

OP5 Alt. Parties exchanging information pursuant to this *instrument* shall protect any confidential information as mutually agreed and *handle Indigenous Knowledge consistent with relevant international norms or standards*. 
Part IV.7. Awareness-raising, education and research

OP1 Alt. Parties, individually, jointly or through relevant regional or international bodies or networks, shall cooperate to promote awareness on plastic pollution and contribute to the achievement of the objective of this instrument* and to encourage relevant behavioural change, capacity-building and the sharing of information, including on indigenous, traditional and local knowledge systems, as appropriate.

OP2 Alt. Each Party shall take relevant measures to raise awareness on plastic pollution and [contribute to the achievement of] the objective of this instrument*. This may include measures such as:
OP2.a Alt Developing a communication and education strategy on the objective of the instrument*, involving all relevant stakeholders, as appropriate including educational and awareness-raising programmes and citizen public campaigns;

b. [no change]

c. [no change]

OP2.d Alt Including Promoting the inclusion of issues related to plastic pollution across curricula and practices in educational institutions at all levels and in all forms of education; and

OP2.e Alt Developing communication materials regarding on the health risks impacts of plastic pollution, potential alternatives, [and] the importance of behavioral change to reduce plastic waste generation and mismanagement and other relevant topics.

OP3 Alt Parties shall, within their respective circumstances capabilities, at the national, regional and international levels, endeavor to cooperate in promoting and/or undertake relevant research, development, exchange of information and cooperation to improve understanding of the impacts of plastic pollution and advance scientific knowledge and promote technological innovation to prevent and reduce plastic pollution, including in the marine environment.