Towards a Global Treaty to End Plastic Pollution: Ensuring Meaningful and Effective Stakeholder Involvement in the Intergovernmental Environmental Negotiations

Recommendations For States and International Organizations & Bodies

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1. Open accreditation rules should apply to all relevant stakeholders.
2. All stakeholders should be allowed to make submissions, take the floor during proceedings, and make text proposals and statements.
3. Stakeholders should have access to funding to participate in all related meetings, and host states should facilitate entry for all participants, especially members of the public.
4. All plenary, committee and other meetings should be held in public, to the greatest extent possible.
5. Interpretation and translation into all official languages of the UN should be made available during the entire negotiating process.
6. All meetings should be held as hybrid meetings for as long as necessary.
7. The INC Bureau itself should include public representatives.
8. The involvement of Indigenous Peoples, including participation, consultations, and free, prior, and informed consent, should reflect and recognize their respective governance systems.
9. Measures that are responsive to gender and age must be mainstreamed throughout the negotiation process and in the instrument’s final text.
10. Workers, particularly those from the informal sector, should be prioritized for participation.

For States

1. Stakeholders must be involved throughout the treaty negotiation process.
2. States should include civil society and public representatives in government delegations. UN funding for the participation of developing countries and countries with economies in transition should encourage the participation of stakeholders.

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