

# UN Treaty on Plastics / international legally binding instrument to end plastic pollution

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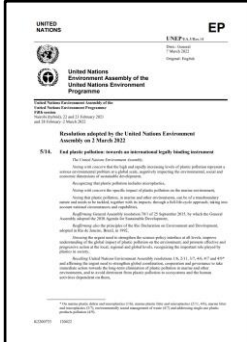
„Kunststoffe in der Umwelt – Im Fokus: Pelletverluste“

30. November 2023

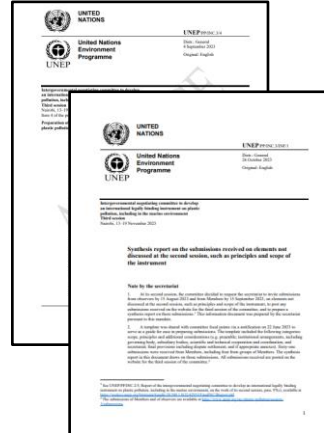
# 3<sup>rd</sup> round of international negotiations on global plastics agreement on 11–19 Nov 2023 in Nairobi: more focus on circularity



Resolution (22 Mar)  
INC establishment



Zero draft (4 Sep)  
Synthesis report (26 Oct)



Negotiations  
(informal  
working groups  
& coalitions)



Full agreement  
(end-2024)

Signing

# UN Treaty to pave an international path to circularity addressing the full life cycle of plastic

## TOPICS IN FOCUS

### Social

- Chemicals/polymers of concern
- Intentionally added microplastics
- Problematic and avoidable plastic products and their alternatives
- Inclusion of informal sector (“just transition”)

### Environmental

- Design for circularity (refill, reuse, repair, recycling, min. post-consumer recycled content)
- Prevention and elimination of emissions and releases of plastic (pellets, flakes and powder from production, storage, handling and transport)
- Waste management

### Economic

- Absolute production reduction targets
- Financial mechanisms (Extended Producer Responsibility, funds, taxes, credits, etc.)
- Trade policies (listed chemicals, polymers, products, shipment of waste)

### Other

- Transparency, tracking, monitoring, labelling
- Capacity building, technical assistance, technology transfer
- Governing body

## KEY UPCOMING DISCUSSION

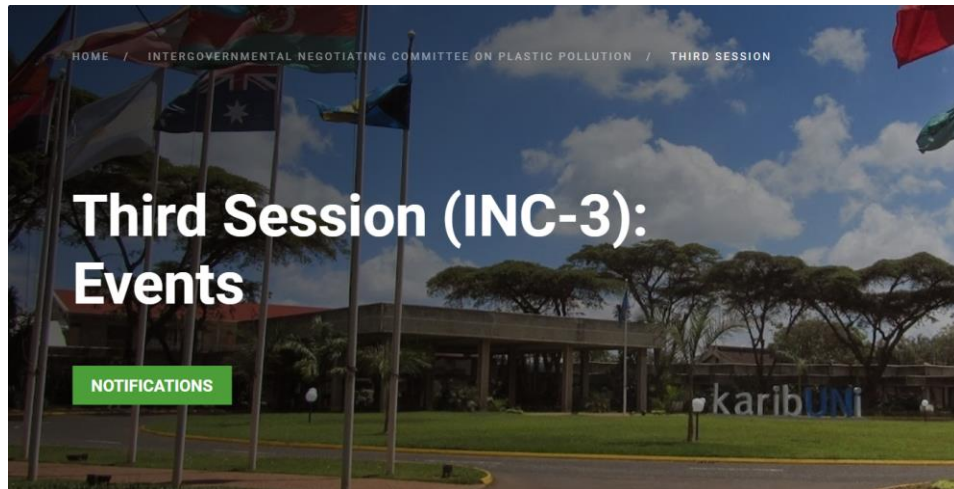
**Treaty’s enforcement mechanism**  
currently suggesting binding and voluntary approaches

- The manner of enforcement relevant for accountability by signatory countries
- Currently, lack meaningful enforcement and governing body

# Useful information sources

## UNEP documents and webinars:

[Third Session: Events | UNEP - UN Environment Programme](#)



## Industry circularity projects and fact sheets:

[Resources - Global Partners For Plastics Circularity](#)

