

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART I**

Informal Working Group – Institutional Matters

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1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

United Kingdom

2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

Regulation 2 (Fundamental Policies and Principles) 2 (e) (iv)

3. Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation in the text box below, using the “track changes” function in Microsoft Word. Please only reproduce the parts of the text that are being amended or deleted.

~~“(iv) The application of “the polluter pays” principle through market based instruments, mechanisms and other relevant measures;“~~

Replace with (iv) alt 1 “ The application of “the polluter pays” principle;

4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150 word limit]

There are now 6 alternatives for the polluter pays principle. We PREFER alt 1, in which the principle is listed without further explanation as to its origins (i.e. Rio Dec). This is consistent with the way we prefer to reference the precautionary principle and the ecosystem approach – i.e. no further explanation as to origin or nature. These principles are evolving into accepted principles of international environmental law and so do not need explanation. In addition, many States embody these principles in their domestic law – and it will be more difficult to accommodate different domestic approaches if we attempt to describe the detail of these principles and approaches.

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As per the additional text supplied in ISBA/26/C/CRP.1

~~The effective implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets of the 2030 Agenda, as adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in September 2015 (resolution 70/1)~~

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For 2(b)(xi) we do not agree to the inclusion of this language on the SDGs. These regulations should be designed to be relevant beyond 2030.

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“Encouragement of “the right to” effective public participation.

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The UK supports the change “right to” public participation as drafted in ISBA/26/C/CRP.1