PERU - inputs to the AHEG scenario note

Peru considers necessary the AHEG proposes concrete options and effective solutions for long-term elimination of plastic pollution from land and sea sources in a timely manner. In that sense, it is required to have data and information available, in order to analyse and propose urgent actions to be carried out, as well as establishing coordination mechanisms among member states and other relevant actors.

The response actions must address issues related to the management of products throughout their life cycle, i.e. life cycle approach, extended producer responsibility, responsible production and consumption, environmentally sound management of solid waste; as well as activities of international coordination and cooperation, building synergies, commitments from the various stakeholders (both public and private sector); and scientific and technological knowledge.

Furthermore, the disposal of marine plastic litter and microplastics requires promoting greater awareness of its impact on the environment Marine. People's behaviours and habits contribute to the discharge of plastics into the ocean, so it is important to consider the social dimension in the response options, based on formal environmental education and community engagement, that contribute to the responsible consumption of plastics and to generate citizen awareness of this problem. Therefore, it is proposed to incorporate the following in the response options:

- a. Design strategies and tools to strengthen citizen engagement in light of the problem of plastic pollution and marine litter;
- b. Have informative and educational resources that will allow the implementation of individual and collective initiatives at the local level for citizen action;
- c. Promote the exchange of experiences and the creation of action networks through public access platforms for public and private institutions and civil society, to raise awareness about the problem of marine litter.

Finally, it is important to adopt joint measures and strategies, seeking response options at the national, regional or global level, including the possibility of agreements or treaties, when necessary, in order to address the issue of marine litter and microplastics, and allow UNEA 5 to have a clear route for future actions on how to and that this route is more clearly reflected in the UNEA 5.
