

U.S. Comments on the identifying technical and financial resources or mechanisms

The Secretariat should develop for the AHEG's consideration a comprehensive inventory of existing technical and financial resources or mechanisms in response to the mandate in UNEA resolution 4/6, paragraph 7(b). The inventory should have the ability to be queried based on the categories and detailed information below to enable countries to identify the technical and financial resources or mechanisms that could be useful in particular situations.

We propose the inventory of technical resources or mechanisms include the following categories: scale (international, national, regional, subnational); land-based or near-shore; upstream (manufacturing, distribution/usage) to downstream (activities post distribution/usage- waste management including collection, sorting/recycling/energy recovery, disposal). For each of the technical resources or mechanisms in the inventory, we think the following detailed information would be useful to include: organization website and contact information; description of resource or mechanism type (e.g. technical guidelines, tool kit, best practices, etc.); relevant timing; topic(s) or issue(s) addressed through resource or mechanism; and link to examples or completed activities.

The United States proposes the inventory of financial resources or mechanisms include the following categories: private sector, foundations, blended financing, multilateral development banks, regional and sub-regional development banks, regional organizations, multilateral environmental agreements, bilateral assistance, national/sub-national (tipping fees, pay as you throw, deposit schemes, etc.). In addition, the Global Environmental Facility should be included in the inventory. For each of the financial resources or mechanisms in the inventory, we think the following detailed information would be useful to include: organization website and contact information; description of resource or mechanism such as funding amount, capitalization, program length, scale (international, regional, national, sub-national); topic(s) or issue(s) addressed through resource or mechanism; and list or link to illustrative examples of completed activities.