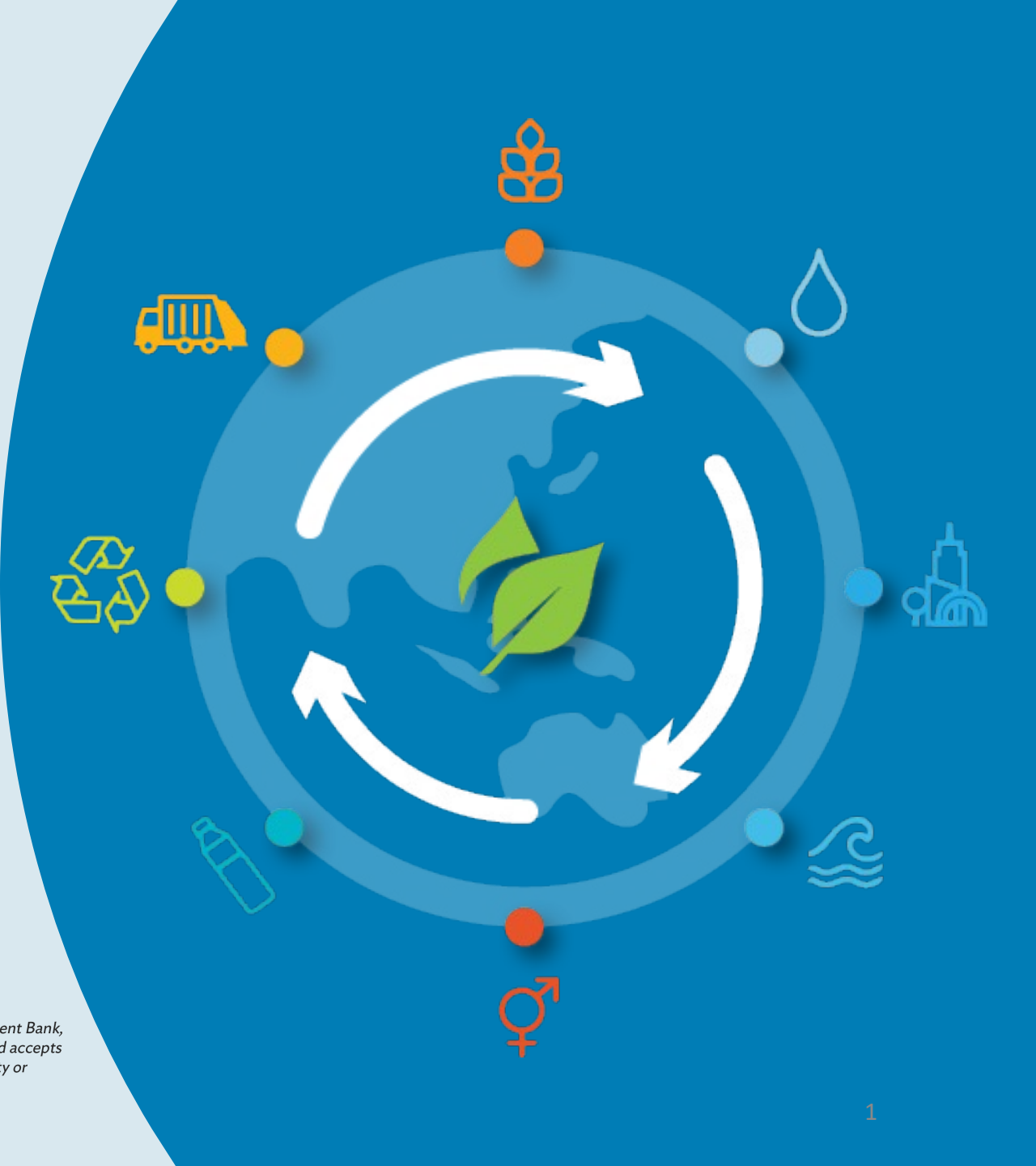




Opportunities for Support in the Global Plastics Treaty

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ADB and GPT Support

- In preparation for implementation, **ADB to support in policy and investment** to fulfill country commitments
 - Identify and support investment areas and project preparation
 - Support national frameworks on circular economy
 - Foster regional cooperation and information exchange
- ADB's Strategy 2030
 - Delivering co-benefits to climate
 - Promoting the circular economy
 - Achieving SDGs
- ADB thrust on **innovative solutions, private sector growth, addresses climate change and more responsive** to countries.
 - Healthy Oceans Action Plan



Possible Core Obligations

Primary plastic
polymers

Chemicals and
polymers of
concern

Problematic/
avoidable plastic,
microplastics

Safe, sustainable
alternatives and
substitutes

Waste
management

Product design,
composition and
performance

Extended
Producer
Responsibility

Trade in
chemicals and
plastic waste

Release to water,
soil and air

Existing plastic
pollution

Just and inclusive
transition

Transparency,
tracking and
labelling

Accountability and Compliance



- Implementation measures: to ensure parties are able to meet their obligations
- Accountability mechanisms to facilitate implementation and promote compliance

Other Multilateral Environmental Agreement (MEA) examples:

- **Paris Agreement (UNFCCC)**: nationally determined contributions, enhanced transparency, Global Stocktake (GST)
- **Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)**: National Biodiversity Strategic Action Plan (NBSAP), indicators, national targets

Potential Implementation and Compliance Committee

- Non-adversarial mechanism to provide recommendations and address gaps
- Likely based on submissions from parties or from parties' reporting on progress

Financing and Implementation



- **Mechanism** for predictable, sustainable, adequate, accessible and timely finance
 - Newly established dedicated Fund
 - Dedicated fund within an existing financial arrangement, e.g. GEF
- **Global Plastic Pollution Fee**
 - To be paid by plastic polymer producers (polluter pays principle)
 - Modalities and contribution to the financial mechanism to be established
 - Possible mandatory contributions based on volumes of production

Innovative finance mechanisms (tbd) E.g. Plastic credits, taxes, levies, EPR, PPP, fees, product charges, pricing mechanisms and financial incentives, etc.

Zero Draft Exceptions Analysis

Proposed Provision	Proposed Measures	Likelihood
Financing Mechanisms	Global financing mechanism	Very likely
	Specific innovative finance mechanisms	As likely as not
National and global approaches	Combination of nationally and globally set approaches	Likely
Extended producer responsibility (EPR)	EPR as a control measure	Very likely
	EPR mandated as an obligation	As likely as not
Investments on waste management	Investments and infrastructure on waste management	Likely
Just transition	Provisions on waste pickers and informal sectors	Virtually certain
Compliance mechanisms and reporting on progress	Mechanisms and requirements	Very likely

Opportunities for ADB Support: GPT Means of Implementation

GPT implementation

- Country obligations, waste management infrastructure, etc.

Enabling frameworks

- Strengthened legislation or regulation, national action plans
- Financing instruments, EPR schemes
- Monitoring and reporting

Innovation and high-level technology

- Alignment with technology transfer provisions
- Innovative recycling methods, alternative plastic products, deposit-return systems, etc.

Technical assistance and capacity building

- Improved plastic waste management systems, best practices
- Private sector alignment with GPT goals

Regional collaboration

- Regional cooperation, knowledge sharing and partnerships
- Alignment of national actions with GPT and regional goals

Opportunities for ADB Support: Projects and Investments

- **Development of EPR Frameworks**
 - Policy reform and capacity development in implementation/ legislation
 - E.g. EPR implementation in Viet Nam, Philippines; EPR development in Thailand, Indonesia
- **Development of innovative finance mechanisms, e.g. plastic credits.**
 - Systems to standardize tracking and accreditation of collection and recycling
 - Support to regional plastic credit schemes for scale up
 - Linkages within national EPR schemes
- **Support to digital and high-level technology solutions.**
 - Digital roadmaps for plastic waste management system
 - Holistic digital solutions, e.g linking with EPR and plastic credit schemes
 - Just transition goal: targeting informal sector integration

Opportunities for ADB Support: Financing for GPT Implementation

- **ADB financing for GPT implementation**
 - Sovereign and private sector lending for implementation
 - Investments aligned with global, regional, and national goals
 - Enabling frameworks: Policy and institutional reform e.g. EPR, NAPs
- **ADB finance facilities for project preparation support and to facilitate compliance**
 - ADB Ocean Finance Framework guidance
 - Existing ADB facilities e.g. Blue Southeast Asia (SEA) Finance Hub, Blue Pacific Finance Hub, ASEAN Catalytic Green Finance Facility, Ocean Resilience and Coastal Adaptation Financing (ORCA) and SME BlueImpact Asia
- **Leveraging GPT to attract more private sector investments**
 - Identification, preparation, and implementation of private sector investments
 - Blue Loans e.g. PET recycling expansion for scale up

Regional Plastics Events: Key Takeaways

Bangkok Plastics Week: Strategies for Plastic Waste Data Collection and Management

- Recommendations in view of future reporting requirements
 - Standardized database systems and methodology
 - Policy/ regulatory guidance on disclosure
 - Capacity building at sub-national level

ASEAN Conference for Combating Plastic Pollution: Unlocking Finance to Address Plastic Pollution

- Recommendations to fill the financing gaps
 - Integration of GPT mandates in finance and investment
 - Alignment for the private sector
 - Use of traditional and innovative financing mechanisms



GPT Negotiations: Key Takeaways

3rd Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) Session Nairobi, Kenya

Using the Zero Draft as the foundation, parties tackled potential options, identifying areas of agreement and gaps throughout the text.

- Treaty scope and definitions: “full life cycle of plastic”
- Nature of commitments: binding/ flexible and based on national capacity
- Text alternatives: differing level of ambitions
 - Financing
 - Implementation, reporting and compliance

Revised Zero Draft for negotiation in INC 4 in April 2024 (Ottawa, Canada), INC-5 in the Republic of Korea



Feedback from DMC Engagement

Focus on country preparations related to implementation, compliance, accountability and finance

DMC Survey Findings

Treaty Implementation Areas

- Implementation measures e.g. national reporting, NAPs
- Means of implementation e.g. financial and technical assistance

Specific means of implementation: EPR and tech innovation

Topics:

- Knowledge development and awareness raising on GPT
- Development and implementation of policy and legal frameworks

ADB will continue to engage with government partners and stakeholders in the subsequent negotiations and implementation.



ADB: Financing Support towards Implementation, Accountability and Compliance

ADB Financing: Support in Policy and Investment

- To fulfill country commitments for implementation
 - Supporting investment areas
 - Development of national frameworks
 - Fostering knowledge exchange

ADB Assistance in Ensuring Compliance: NAPs, Monitoring and Reporting

- Building overall institutional capacity for implementation
 - Formulation of national plans
 - Monitoring and reporting systems to track progress
- Facilitating the development of methodologies, indicators on reporting/ compliance

Need to address finance gaps for future GPT implementation and country compliance



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