



Reduce and Eliminate plastics Kenyan CSOs Call for United Front at upcoming INC-5.2

Intergovernmental Negtiating Committee INC 5.2

INC-5.2, scheduled for August 5th-14th, 2025, in Geneva, Switzerland, presents a critical opportunity for African countries to continue showing leadership and ensure the treaty delivers on ambition, equity, and enforceability.



African nations are primarily importers of plastic products and waste and thus suffer disproportionately from the health, climate, environmental, and social impacts of plastic pollution.



The civil society organizations in Kenya are calling for a unified African voice to demand a strong, legally binding treaty that reduces primary plastic polymer production and eliminates hazardous chemicals throughout the plastics lifecycle





The Civil Society Coalition to End Plastic Pollution is leading national efforts to urge African governments to demand a reduction in the production of primary plastic polymers, especially virgin plastics.



A just transition for waste pickers, especially women in the informal sector.



Robust financing mechanisms rooted in the Polluter Pays Principle to ensure equity and accountability.



A treaty that safeguards human rights for present and future generations.



We are calling for the elimination of toxic chemicals in plastics, including additives and polymers.



Plastic pollution is not just an environmental issue; it's a human health, climate justice, and development crisis. Plastic production has doubled in the last 15 years, with global output reaching 400 million tonnes annually



We must ensure the treaty is shaped by the people, by frontline communities, waste pickers, women, youth, scientists, and advocates who have long demanded change.