ISDE have been noticing and is concern on the issue that the discussion on governance that is currently taking place is not focused on inclusion. Multi-stakeholder and multisector participation and inclusion has been an important commitment and motto since the Declaration of Rio de Janeiro, and this spirit of collaboration and shared responsibility has been maintained since the beginning in the SAICM negotiation and all along the process.

ISDE call for awareness on the importance of respecting this principle and continue working in partnership based on integrating the resources and capabilities of all the sectors involved to reach the objectives.

We also want to draw attention to the little commitment shown by the different IGOs that have declined their accountability and ownership responsibility committed with the principles of the SAICM at the beginning. Their presence, involvement and support moving on concrete actions are also crucial for the success of SAICM.

It is easy to understand that limiting governance to the only participation of the governmental sector is to close the process, it is not a solution but a dead end. In the same way, is important that Science Policy Issues have to accompany SAICM process by being a continuously enriched, refreshed and open to provide the necessary feed back to the process by mobilizing the interaction with the scientific sector and improving their participation.

Addressing complex problems represents a challenge and successful interventions can only be achieved by joining forces, assuming differentiated responsibilities and working together towards a common goal.

Our best wished for a productive negotiation.

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