

## **JAPAN:**

### **Japan's Proposal on a Non-legally Binding Instrument (NLBI)**

Japan's basic positions on NLBI are as follows:

1. The objectives of NLBI should be clearly understood and shared by among all member states prior to UNFF7 through an open-ended working group and country-led initiatives, if any. Even at the very last stage of UNFF6, there still seemed to be different expectations and perception gaps on NLBI between member states. Therefore, it is extremely important to have a common understanding and a shared vision on the objectives of NLBI prior to the formal session of UNFF7.
2. Elements of NLBI should conform to the draft resolution adopted at UNFF6. Given the fact that participants