

Madam President,

the functioning of the future Implementing Agreement. In this respect, the EU and its MS
continue to support the approach repeatedly espoused by you, Madam President, in all

for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction. The Implementing Agreement should also foster cross-sectoral coordination and cooperation between competent international and regional organisations and relevant instruments.

The EU and its Member States have shared again our overall vision on "Key