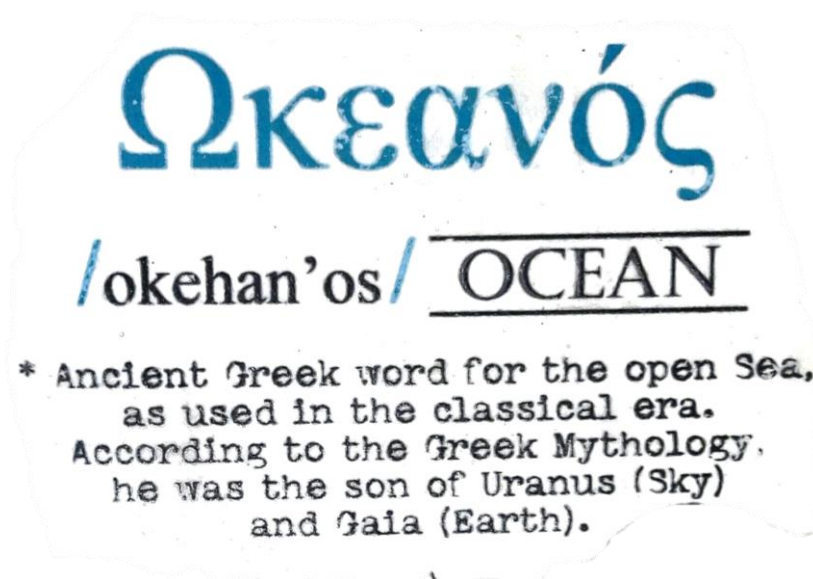


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Abbreviations & Acronyms

ABLM: Associação Brasileira do Lixo Marinho

AHOEEG: Ad-Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group

ALDFG: Abandoned, lost or otherwise discarded fishing gear

ASEAN: Association of Southeast Asian Nations

AUSMEPA: Australian Marine Environment Protection Association

AWGCME: ASEAN Working Group on Coastal and Marine Environment

BAT: Best Available Technologies

BEPs: Best Environmental Practices

CBD: Convention on Biological Diversity

CMS: Convention on Migratory Species

CPIA: Canadian Plastics Industry Association

CPMR: Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions

DEPI: Division of Environmental Policy Implementation

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency

EUCC: Coastal & Marine Union

EuPC: European Plastics Converters

FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization

FEEE: Foundation for Environmental Education in Europe

GIS: Geographical Information System

GPA: Global Programme of Action

GPML: Global Partnership on Marine Litter

GPWM: Global Partnership on Waste Management

HELCOM: Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission

ICC: International Coastal Clean

IMDC: International Marine Debris Conference

IMO: International Maritime Organization

KIMO: Kommunenes Internasjonale Miljøorganisasjon

L.O.O.P: Life Out Of Plastic

MARPOL: International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

MCS: Marine Conservation Society

MPF: Malaysian Plastics Forum

NAMEPA: North America Marine Environment Protection Association

NGO: Non-Governmental Organization

NOAA: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

OSEAN: Our Sea of East Asia Network

OSPAR: Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North-East Atlantic

PACPOL: Pacific Oceans Pollution Prevention Programme

PEMSEA: Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia

POPs: Persistent Organic Pollutants

RAP: Regional Action Plan

RFBs: Regional Fisheries Bodies

RSCAP: Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans

RSPs: Regional Seas Programmes

SAICM: Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management

SDGs: Sustainable Development Goals

SIMA: Surf Industry Manufacturers Association

TURMEPA: Turkish Marine Environment Protection Association

UKRMEPA: Ukrainian Marine Environment Protection Association

UNCLOS: United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

UNEA: United Nations Environment Assembly

UNEP: United Nations Environment Programme

VCI: Chemical Industry Association

WFO: Waste Free Oceans

WPC: World Plastics Council

BACKGROUND

Introduction

Plastic Pollution and Marine Litter are global concerns, which receive growing attention from government, academics, NGOs, industry and the public since it greatly affects the environment, economy safety, and public health. It is believed that local and global environmental and resource efficiency failure lead to the presence of plastic pollution and marine litter around the world.

Whereas, the underlying causes of the problem have not yet sufficiently been explored and addressed, such underlying causes can be thought to widely relate with poor waste and resource management practices such as the acts of littering and dumping the waste items, intentionally and unintentionally, absence of suitable collection infrastructure in the low-income countries, and lack of sufficient value of secondary plastics within a resource efficient circular economy.

To date, the global activists, experts, policy makers and scientific communities have focused on plastic pollution and marine litter, a complex and multi-dimensional problem, through different approaches. Research efforts have mainly directed on estimating and managing the vast amounts of marine litter in the world oceans, with emphasis around waste plastics items (and engineered primary microplastic beads), and on studying the various transfer mechanisms responsible for directing waste into the oceans. On the other hand, governments and NGOs have been more interested in activating tools and policies, which will prevent waste flowing into the sea. Source reduction increase prevention efforts, clean-up activities, sensitization campaigns and mitigation practices have been promoted as the solution to prevent marine litter.

Currently the plastic industry and other private sectors have also get involved in providing sustainable solutions to reduce and/or mitigate plastic marine litter, which compromise more than 70% of marine litter. Introducing on-land capturing mechanisms for plastics and recycling of lost fishing gears are some of the emerging activities that have been undertaken from few leading enterprises worldwide.

Scope

This document has been prepared to recognize and review existing International and National plastic pollution and marine litter initiatives and organizations in the sense to assess current world efforts to tackle plastic pollution and marine litter.

AGREEMENTS & CONVENTIONS

At the global level, marine litter is addressed by several conventions and agreements such as:

- IMO-MARPOL 73/78 Annex V (garbage from ships)
- London Convention and Protocol on Dumping (Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and other Matter, also known as the London Convention of 1972, https://www.adelphi.de/en/system/files/mediathek/bilder/Stopping-Global-Plastic-Pollution%20-%20Heinrich-B%C3%B6ll-Stiftung_adelphi.pdf)
- Basel Convention
- Agenda 21 and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation
- CBD (Convention on Biological Diversity), with the Jakarta Mandate. It is part of the Ministerial Statement at the COP meeting in Jakarta in 1995 on the implementation of the Convention of Biological Diversity. Its work program was adopted at the COP meeting in Bratislava in 1998 (<https://www.cbd.int/doc/publications/jm-brochure-en.pdf>)
- CMS-Convention on Migratory Species (CMS Resolution 10.4 on Marine Debris) https://www.ascobans.org/sites/default/files/document/AC21_Inf_3.4.3.b_CMS_Reviews_ManagementMarineDebris.pdf
- GPA -Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities
- Some of the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans (and LBA/S Protocols)
- FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries (abandoned/lost fishing gear)
- Declaration of the Global Plastics Associations for Solutions on Marine Litter (Global Declaration)

At the global level, marine plastic litter is addressed by several conventions and agreements such as:

- <https://www.ciel.org/issue/plastic-global-law-policy/>

Additional areas of work include the International Maritime Organization (IMO), the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973 (MARPOL) and other maritime-related instruments, the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, and the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM).

- Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal (1989) https://www.adelphi.de/en/system/files/mediathek/bilder/Stopping-Global-Plastic-Pollution%20-%20Heinrich-B%C3%B6ll-Stiftung_adelphi.pdf
- <https://eia-international.org/wp-content/uploads/EIA-report-Convention-on-Plastic-Pollution-spreads.pdf>

Convention on Plastic Pollution under Pillar 2 "Plastic Pollution Prevention"

At the regional level, there are no specific legal instruments dealing with marine litter, although litter is addressed in several regional conventions and protocols on controlling marine pollution such as:

- Black Sea: Bucharest Convention <http://www.blacksea-commission.org/convention.asp>
- Baltic Sea: HELCOM <http://www.helcom.fi/>
- North East Atlantic: OSPAR <http://www.ospar.org/>

- Mediterranean: UNEP/MAP <http://www.unepmap.org/>
- UNEA: for plastic pollution. Recognizing plastic pollution as a serious and rapidly growing issue of concern that requires an urgent global response, both the UN Environment Assembly (UNEA) and 2017 UN Oceans Conference have set into motion enhanced global action on ocean plastics. At the UNEA3 meeting in December 2017, States formed an Ad-Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group (AHOEEG) to present options to combat marine plastic litter and microplastics for consideration of member states, experts, and civil society. (<https://www.ciel.org/reports/unea-progress-on-plastics/>)

At the national level, only the Wider Caribbean and Northwest Pacific regions have countries with specific national legislation addressing marine litter (UNEP, 2009). In addition, in most countries, national waste management policies and laws do not consider marine litter as a separate category of waste and are managed the same way as municipal solid waste.

FRAMEWORKS: https://www.adelphi.de/en/system/files/mediathek/bilder/Stopping-Global-Plastic-Pollution%20-%20Heinrich-B%26C3%B6ll-Stiftung_adelphi.pdf

- 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Both Goal 6 (clean water and sanitation) and Goal 14 (ocean conservation) are partially concerned with the issue of plastics.
- The International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) of 1973 (amended in 1978) is the main international convention to protect the marine environment. Through its Annex V (agreed in 1988), it also bans the disposal of garbage at sea, with a particular focus on all forms of plastics (IMO, 2016). Annex V was last revised in 2011, entering into force in 2013.
- The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) in its current form was established in 1982 and entered into force in 1994. It currently counts 167 parties. The Convention does not specifically mention plastics. Nevertheless, it defines dumping as «any deliberate disposal of wastes or other matter from vessels, aircraft, platforms or other man-made structures at sea».

Voluntary marine-based frameworks

- Fifth International Marine Debris Conference (5IMDC) in 2011. As a voluntary framework, the Honolulu Strategy sets three overarching goals to reduce the threats of marine debris. Goal A is to reduce land-based pollution by litter and waste and impacts thereof; Goal B is to reduce the amount and impact of waste and debris dumped into or lost in the oceans; and Goal C concerns shorelines, benthic habitats, and pelagic waters where marine debris from both land-based and at-sea sources accumulates (Stoett, 2016).

EXISTING INITIATIVES & ORGANIZATIONS

Global, Regional and National Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter Initiatives and Organizations in Alphabetic Order

Under the scope of the current report, an extensive list of international and national plastic pollution and marine litter initiatives and organizations have been identified through web-based research presented in alphabetic order in Table 1 and Table 2 below and analysed further within the next sections.

Table 1: National and International Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter Related Initiatives (A-Z)

Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter Related Initiatives (A-Z)	
1. "Ad Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group on Marine Litter and Microplastics"	71. Life Cycle Initiative
2. Adopt a beach	72. Life Out Of Plastic SAC (L.O.O.P)
3. African Marine Waste Network	73. Litterati
4. All One Ocean	74. Ma il mare non vale una cicca?- Marevivo
5. Alliance to End Plastic Waste	75. Making Oceans Plastic Free
6. Australian Marine Debris Initiative	76. Malaysian Plastics Forum (MPF): Don't be a Litterbug campaign
7. Bag It and Bin It - Don't Flush it. (UK)	77. Marine Litter Action Network
8. Baltic Clean Cup	78. Marine Litter Watch
9. Beachwatch UK	79. Marine Litter: the facts
10. Beat the MicroBead	80. Mediterranean Action Plan
11. Bioplastic Feedstock Alliance	81. "Minderoo Foundation Initiatives"
12. Blue Flag Programme	82. Mission 2.Ocean
13. Blue Lid Campaign	83. "Mitigating short-lived climate pollutants from the municipal solid waste sector"
14. Boating Clean & Green Campaign	84. Monofilament Recovery & Recycling Program
15. Break Free from Plastic	85. "New Plastics Economy Global Commitment"
16. Break the Bag Habit Campaign	86. NextWave Plastics
17. California Coastal Clean Up Day	87. NOAA Marine Debris Program
18. California's Marine Protected Area Network	88. Ocean Conservancy
19. Campaign to reduce the distribution of free plastic bags	89. Ocean Initiatives
20. Clean C	90. Ocean Plastics Charter
21. Clean Cities, Blue Ocean	91. Oceana
22. Clean Europe Network	92. OceanGybe-Garbage Study
23. Clean Ocean Project	93. Operation Clean Sweep -pellet containment program
24. Clean Seas Campaign	94. Operation Clean Sweep - Plastic Pellet Loss Prevention Manual and Pledge
25. Clean Up Israel	95. OSEAN (Our Sea of East Asia Network)
26. Clean Up South Africa	96. Perseus -Research Project
27. CleanSea -Project	97. Plastic Bank
28. Clear Blue Sea	98. Plastic Busters-Project
29. Clear the Coast	99. Plastic Oceans International
30. "Close the Plastic Tap Programme"	100. Plastic Pollution Coalition
31. Closed-Loop Solutions	101. Plastic Revolution
32. Coast Care Program	102. Prevented Ocean Plastics
33. Cutting River Plastic Waste	103. Project Kaisei
34. Dive Against Debris	104. Projeto Lixo Marinho – Global Garbage Brasil
35. End Plastic Pollution	105. Rendu Ocean
36. EPA Vessel Sewage Discharge Program	106. 'Responsible Snack Bar' Project
37. European Week for Waste Reduction	107. "Return to Offender" Campaign
38. eXXpedition	

39. Fishing for Energy	108. Sea cleaning vessel 'Battello Spazzamare' (Italy)
40. Fishing for Litter	109. Sea Life Trust
41. Fishing for Litter in Germany	110. Seabed cleaning in Cyprus
42. Fishing Line Recycling in Hawaii	111. Separation and recycling of materials from fishing trawl and nets
43. Florida Clean Marina Program	112. Shave our shores
44. Friends of the Earth	113. Ship-to-Shore
45. G20 Implementation Framework for Actions on Marine Plastic Litter	114. Southeast Atlantic Marine Debris Initiative
46. GESAMP Working groups 40 and 43	115. Southeast Florida Marine Debris Reporting and Removal Program
47. GESAMP's Work Programme	116. SPREP's Pacific Oceans Pollution Prevention Programme (PACPOL)
48. Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives' Initiatives	117. STH Harem Beach Cleaning, Rehabilitation and Conservation Project
49. Global Alliance of Waste Pickers Initiatives	118. Stop plastic pollution ch
50. Global Ghost Gear Initiative	119. Story of stuff project
51. Global Initiative on Marine Litter	120. Sustainable Coastlines
52. Global Partnership on Marine Litter	121. SystemiQ's Initiatives
53. Global Partnership on Waste Management	122. Thank you Ocean Campaign
54. "Global Tourism Plastics Initiative"	123. "The 3R Initiative: Reduce, Recover, Recycle"
55. Gulf of Mexico Alliance: Marine Debris Cross-Team Initiative	124. The Circulate Initiative
56. Healthy Seas, a Journey from Waste to Wear'	125. The Clean Coasts Programme
57. Hold Norge Rent	126. The Declaration of the Global Plastics Associations for Solutions on Marine Litter
58. IAGC Marine Debris & Ghost Net Initiative	127. The Japan Environmental Action Network
59. Implementation of MARPOL Annex V in Cyprus	128. The Nobodyz Trash - Indigenous Marine Debris Network
60. Indirect Fee System for the Collection of ship Waste in Cyprus	129. The Ocean Cleanup
61. Indonesian Waste Platform	130. The OECD Ocean initiatives
62. International Coastal CleanUp	131. The Plastic Bag Levy (Ireland)
63. International Pellet Watch	132. The Plastic Leak Project
64. INTERPOL's initiatives	133. "The United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development"
65. ISWA Marine Litter Task Force Initiatives	134. Trash Free Waters Program
66. Keep Britain Tidy	135. 'Trash Wall', Project Blue Sea
67. Keep Sweden Tidy	136. UNEP Caribbean Environmental Program
68. Keep the Mediterranean Litter Free Campaign	137. Waste Free Oceans
69. Kuna Yala project	138. World Bank Initiatives
70. Let's do it World!	139. WWF Plastic Initiatives
	140. Your Bottle Means Jobs
	141. Zero Pellet Lost
	142. 4Oceans

Table 2: National and International Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter Related Organizations (A-Z)

Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter Related Organizations (A-Z)	
1. Algalita Marine Research Foundation	41. Ocean Recovery Alliance
2. APLM – Associação Portuguesa do Lixo Marinho	42. OSPAR-Regional Action Plan (RAP) for Marine Litter
3. Archipelagos Institute of Marine Conservation	43. Plastic change
4. ASEAN Working Group on Coastal and Marine Environment (AWGCME)	44. Plastic Free Seas
5. Associação Brasileira do Lixo Marinho (ABLM)	45. Plastic Pollution Coalition
6. Australian Marine Environment Protection Association (AUSMEPA)	46. Plastic Soup Foundation
7. B.E.A.C.H Hawaii	47. Project Aware Foundation
8. Black Sea NGO Networks	48. Sea Shepherd Australia -Marine Litter Campaign
9. Boomerang Alliance – Marine Plastic Pollution	49. Sea Web
10. Clean Ocean Action-Beach Sweeps	50. Seas at Risk
11. Clean Up Australia	51. Surfers Against Sewage
12. CleanUp the World	52. Surfrider Foundation -(Preventing Plastic Pollution)
13. Coastal & Marine Union (EUCC)	53. Surfrider Foundation Australia (Rise Above Plastics)
14. CoastWatch Europe	54. Surfrider Foundation Europe
15. Duik de Noordzee Schoon (Clean the North Sea)	55. Surfrider Holland
16. Ecosurfer	56. Surfrider Vancouver (Rise above Plastic)
17. Expedition MED:Stop Plastic in the Sea	57. Sustainable Coastlines Hawaii
18. Foundation for Environmental Education in Europe (FEEE)	58. Sustainable Development Strategy for the Seas of East Asia (SDS-SEA)- Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA)
19. Ghostnets Australia	59. Take 3 -A clean Beach Initiative
20. Great Nova Scotia Pick me up	60. Tangaroa Blue Foundation
21. HCMR	61. The Ocean Clean Up
22. Hellenic Marine Environment Protection Association	62. The Ocean Foundation
23. IFREMER	63. Trash Free Seas Alliance
24. Indian Maritime Foundation, Pune	64. Turkish Marine Environment Protection Association (TURMEPA)
25. INTERMEPA Organisation	65. Two Hands Project
26. International Maritime Organisation	66. Ukrainian Marine Environment Protection Association (UKRMEPA)
27. International Ocean Institute –African Region	67. UPGYRES
28. isea	68. West Coast Marine Debris Alliance
29. Keep America Beautiful	69. West Coasts Ocean Alliance
30. Keep Scotland Beautiful	70. World Plastics Council (WPC)
31. Keep Sweden Tidy Foundation	71. 5 Gyres
32. Keep the Archipelago Tidy Foundation	
33. KIMO International	
34. Living Oceans Society	
35. Marine Conservation Society	
36. Marine Litter Solutions: "The Declaration of the Global Plastics Associations for Solutions on Marine Litter"	
37. NOAA	
38. North America Marine Environment Protection Association (NAMEPA)	
39. Ocean Ambassadors	
40. Ocean Crusaders Pty Ltd	

Key Marine Litter Initiatives & Organizations

This section provides information on major global marine litter initiatives and organization, which has been retrieved and embodied here from the latter official websites. Main goals and objectives, activities and achievements, timeline of activities and resources are presented for each case.

Global Partnership on Waste Management (GPWM)

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE: GLOBAL WITH ONE-TWO DEMONSTRATION SITES IN FIVE UN REGIONS (ASIA PACIFIC, LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN, AFRICA, WEST ASIA AND EUROPE)

WEBSITE: <https://www.unep.org/gpwm/>

LAUNCHED: 2010



TYPE: AWARENESS, FILL INFORMATION GAP, RESOURCE CONSERVATION & EFFICIENCY

SHORT DESCRIPTION

The Global Partnership on Waste Management (GPWM) was launched in November 2010 to enhance international cooperation among stakeholders, identify and fill information gaps, share information and strengthen awareness, political will, and capacity to promote resource conservation and resource efficiency. Marine litter is one of the eight focal areas under the GPWM.¹

The DEPI has developed an analytical work plan for the period 2012-2016 presenting main strategies to be followed, activities to be implemented, expected results/outcomes and progress monitoring indicators. Funding opportunities are also identified.²

COORDINATION \ GOVERNANCE

The focal area on marine litter is led by **UNEP's** Division of Environmental Policy Implementation (DEPI).

It worth mentioning that ISWA is leading focal area Waste and Climate Change of the GPWM.

PARTNER(S):

The GPWM is an open-ended partnership for international agencies, governments, businesses, academia, local authorities, and nongovernmental

Strategies to reduce the amount of marine debris from land-based sources focus on:

- A1 - Conduct education and outreach on marine debris and solid waste minimization and management
- A2 - Employ market-based instruments to support solid waste minimization and management
- A3 - Employ infrastructure and best practices for stormwater and solid waste minimization and management
- A4 - Develop and enact legislation and policies to support solid waste minimization and management
- A5 - Improve the regulatory framework regarding stormwater, sewage systems, and debris in tributary waterways
- A6 - Build capacity to monitor and enforce compliance with regulations and permit conditions regarding litter, dumping, solid waste management, stormwater, and surface runoff
- A7 - Conduct targeted cleanup efforts on coastal lands, in watersheds, and in waterway

¹ <http://www.unep.org/gpwm/>

² GPML, 2011, *Marine Litter (ML)-Work Plan for 2012-2016*, Available at: <http://www.unep.org/gpwm/Portals/24123/images/Work%20Plans/Work%20Plan%20ML%202012-2016.pdf>

organizations.

GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Main Goal of the focal area on marine litter is to reduce the amount of land-based litter and solid waste introduced into the marine environment.

Expected Results

- 5,000 members of an online marine litter forum within the first year created with the objective to facilitate information flow, knowledge sharing and promotion of the Honolulu Commitment and the Honolulu Strategy (HS);
- The online forum will be accessed frequently (at least more than 50,000 hits per month) by the end of the first year;
- 100,000 will sign up for the Honolulu Commitment within a year and;
- 100 partners will join a Global Partnership on Marine Litter, facilitated through the online forum – providing input to it on project activities, best practices and success stories while reporting on the implementation of the HS;
- 5 new regional policy instruments aligned with the Honolulu Strategy through the RSCAPs within 5 years.
- Demonstration of at least 20% reduction of solid waste reaching the marine environment and 50% recycling rates of certain wastes in selected demonstration sites;
- Market-based instruments adopted in 2 countries to reduce the influx of solid waste into the coastal environment within 5 years;
- Plastic bag ban in 5 countries within 5 years;
- 15% reduction in use of raw material in selected demonstration projects with industry

PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

Action 1: Development of a Global network/forum for the marine litter community

Action 2: Creation of a Global Partnership on Marine Litter

Action 3: Support to regional marine litter activities

Action 4: Demonstration projects for reducing the inflow of solid waste into the marine environment

Ten demonstration projects will be developed under the global partnership and in support of the Honolulu Strategy within three main areas:

- Demo projects for reducing the inflow of solid waste into the marine environment
- Life cycle approach demo
- Plastics recycling demo project, ban of plastic bags

ACHIEVEMENTS AT A GLANCE

Achievement Related to Marine:

- The Global Partnership on Marine Litter launched in 2012
- More than 30 completed and ongoing activities-projects related to marine litter around the world. Information about the projects are available at GPWM' online [map of ongoing activities](#)³.

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³ https://wedocs.unep.org/bitstream/handle/20.500.11822/27366/WML_Mapping.pdf?sequence=1

Global Partnership on Marine Litter (GPML)

 GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE: GLOBAL

 WEBSITE: <https://www.gpmarinelitter.org/>

 LAUNCHED: 2012

TYPE: PREVENTION/AWARENESS/INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

SHORT DESCRIPTION

The Global Partnership on Marine Litter (GPML) is a joint initiative of UNEP and US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), which was launched in June 2012, at the Rio+20 Conference. It builds on the [Honolulu Strategy](#) – a global framework for the prevention and management of marine debris and is under the scopes of the Global Program of Action (GPA) to prevent the influx of marine litter in the environment. The GPML, is also being supportive of the Global Partnership on Waste Management.⁴

COORDINATION /GOVERNANCE

UNEP through the GPA provides the Secretariat for the GPML. An international Steering Committee provides guidance. Members webinars have also been initiated to better provide updates and announce opportunities for engagement of partners.

PARTNER(S)

The GPML is a global partnership gathering international agencies, Governments, NGOs, academia, private sector, civil society and individuals. Participants contribute to the



development and implementation of GPML activities.

Below a list of main Partners:

- [Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations \(FAO\)](#)
- [International Maritime Organization \(IMO\)](#)
- [International Solid Waste Association](#)
- [Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment - Netherlands](#)
- [United Nations Environment Programme \(UNEP\)](#)
- [US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration \(NOAA\)](#)

Objectives

- a) To reduce the impacts of marine litter worldwide on economies, ecosystem, animal welfare and human health.
- b) To enhance international cooperation and coordination through the promotion and implementation of the Honolulu Strategy- a global framework for the prevention and management of marine debris, as well as the Honolulu Commitment – a multi-stakeholder pledge.
- c) To promote knowledge management, information sharing and monitoring of progress on the implementation of the Honolulu Strategy.
- d) To promote resource efficiency and economic development through waste prevention (e.g. 4Rs (reduce, re-use, recycle and re-design) and by recovering valuable material and/or energy from waste.
- e) To increase awareness on sources of marine litter, their fate and impacts.
- f) To assess emerging issues related to the fate and potential influence of marine litter, including (micro) plastics uptake in the food web and associated transfer of pollutants and impacts on the conservation and welfare of marine fauna.

⁴

https://papersmart.unon.org/resolution/uploads/3_aheg_in_f_7_-_marine_litter-_guidelines_for_designing_regional_action_plans_summary.pdf

GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

According to the GPML’s operational Guidelines⁴, the GPML has three main goals:

- To reduce levels and impacts of land-based litter and solid waste introduced into the aquatic environment (led by UNEP/GPA).
- To reduce the levels and impacts of sea-based sources of marine debris including solid waste, lost cargo, ALDFG and abandoned vessels introduced into the aquatic environment (co-led by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)).
- To reduce levels and impacts of (accumulated) marine debris on shorelines, aquatic habitats and biodiversity.

The aims of the GPML are, besides being supportive of the Global Partnership on Waste Management, to protect human health and the global environment, mainly by the reduction and management of marine litter, and through several specific objectives.

Expected Outcomes

Increased awareness of the impacts of marine litter at various levels – e.g. policymakers, industry, and the general public.

Increased body of knowledge on communities of best practices to address marine litter by various stakeholders around the world at various levels, and how their activities contribute to the implementation of the Honolulu Strategy.

- a. Identification and filling of knowledge gaps and establishing organizational knowledge processes.
- b. Strengthened and coordinated global and regional networks/nodes on /for marine litter.
- c. Avoiding duplication of efforts, streamlining of resource utilization and information sharing across multiple activities.
- d. Increased economic development and job creation opportunities in marine litter prevention and management.

- e. Improved synergy among stakeholders including academia, NGOs, the private sector, governments and international organizations.
- f. Enabled complementarities between the partnership and relevant Conventions and other international instruments, action plans, initiatives, and activities.
- g. Systematic publication of scoping papers and global assessments on emerging issues associated with marine litter.
- h. Increased mobilization of resources to address marine litter mitigation.

PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

The GPML has structured its support in the following actions/activities⁴:

1. On-line Marine Litter Network: a web-based tool designed to enable the global marine debris community to monitor progress on implementing the Honolulu Strategy; sign on to the Honolulu Commitment, interact and share information, lessons learned, and tools. It will promote the GPML and facilitate access to other online resources and initiatives without trying to substitute them, thereby enhancing coordination and resource efficiency. The platform can be accessed through the following link: <http://www.marinelitternetwork.org/>
2. Regional activities designed to introduce the GPML and the online platform through “regional nodes”: This could include support to implementation of the Honolulu Strategy through e.g. the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans (RSCAP), with the view to facilitate the development of regional policy instruments aligned with the Honolulu Strategy framework.
3. Demonstration projects: facilitate development and implementation of high-impact, practical demonstration projects under the GPML together with partners within three main areas: Reducing the inflow of solid waste into the marine environment; Life cycle approach; Plastics recycling/redesign.

4. Public-private partnerships: UNEP will seek, through the GPML, to build functional partnerships with the private sector, to promote practical plastics reduction measures and support complementary policies. Source reduction and corporate social responsibility will be promoted, through measures such as plastics disclosure and greater manufacturer responsibility.

Arrangements for Capacity-Building and Technology Transfer

The first Massive Open Online Course on Marine Litter was launched in 2015 and ended in January 2016. UNEP is now planning for the Second MOOC to be available in 2017.

TIMELINE & RESOURCES

A roadmap has been developed for the implementation of the GPML which includes the development of indicators the initiation of demonstration projects and matching indicators to targets, in the three focal Areas (See Figure 1).

The GPML is a voluntary coordination mechanism among international agencies, Governments, NGOs, academia, private sector, civil society and individuals in which all partners agree to work together to attain the overall objectives described below. Participants contribute to the development and implementation of GPML activities. Contributions may be in the form of financial support, in-kind contributions and/or technical expertise.

ACHIEVEMENTS AT A GLANCE

- The GPML is acknowledged as a key partnership mechanism for marine litter stakeholders (UNEA, GA and other resolutions reference it);
- Members webinars were initiated in 2015 to facilitate collaboration and information sharing within the GPML. The Secretariat provides updates and partners are invited to make short presentations on their work. The webinars are recorded and made available online to allow partners in different time zones to view the presentations;

- Knowledge generation involving partners: partners were invited to contribute case studies and expertise for e.g. the first Massive Open Online Course on Marine Litter (6,500 registered participants), many also contributed expertise to the development of the study “Marine plastic debris and microplastics – Global lessons and research to inspire action and guide policy change” launched in May 2016 (http://www.unep.org/gpa/documents/publications/Marine_Plastic_Debris_and_Microplastic.pdf);
- Regional nodes of the partnership have so far been established in the Wider Caribbean Region and the Northwest Pacific. This is an opportunity to better meet regional and national needs and identify priority areas for intervention – new nodes will be in Pacific and in Mediterranean;
- Upscaling of member initiatives – by showcasing national or regional initiatives at a global level we have promoted strengthening of initiatives as well as replication;
- A waste minimization demonstration project was supported in Samoa to demonstrate best practice measures for effective waste management and minimisation of marine debris. A brief overview of the work carried out under the project can be found here (including a short documentary); <http://unep.org/gpa/gpml/SamoaDemoProject.asp>
- The project was implemented in partnership with the Government of Samoa, SPREP and the GPML in collaboration with e.g. private sector. A spin off project was since established in the Solomon Islands utilizing litter booms to monitor riverine input.

Next Steps

The GPML will support the development of a Plastics Management Strategy for SIDS and Islands. It will be developed as a global framework and pilot projects will be supported in the SIDS regions to demonstrate how it could be adapted to a national context. In addition, a GPML regional node will be established in the Pacific in collaboration with SPREP, and another one in the Mediterranean in

collaboration with the Mediterranean Action Plan. The Massive Open Online Course on Marine Litter will be revised to include hotspot analysis, risk-based assessment etc. with SIDS specific components. It is available from 2017⁵.

A Global Campaign on Marine Litter is under development and a database on BATs/BEPs for ML management will be added to the online Marine Litter Network in collaboration with the University of Georgia. The database is expected to outline various Best Available Technologies (BATs) / Best Environmental Practices (BEPs) in relation to marine litter reduction (upstream to downstream). Several publications and short papers will be launched in 2016 including the socioeconomics of marine litter; a legislative overview of marine litter; gender, plastics and chemicals, etc.

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Global Initiative on Marine Litter - UNEP Regional Seas Programmes

 **GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE:** GLOBAL

 **WEBSITE:** <https://www.peacepalacelibrary.nl/ebooks/files/334579899.pdf>

 **LAUNCHED:** 1974 (UNEP REGIONAL SEAS PROGRAMME)

TYPE: AWARENESS/BUILDING KNOWLEDGE/MONITORING

SHORT DESCRIPTION

UNEP's Regional Seas Programme, initiated in 1974, provides a legal, administrative, substantive and financial framework for the implementation of Agenda 21, and its chapter 17 on oceans in particular.

UNEP's Regional Seas Coordinating Office and the Global Programme of Action (GPA) have embarked on the development of a 'global initiative on marine litter' which provides a platform for the management of the marine litter problem. Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans are the main partners in implementing this Initiative. This is achieved through a range of activities aimed at the assessment on distribution and sources of marine debris, preparation of Regional Action Plans and management initiatives, 18 Regional Seas programmes (Conventions and Action Plans) took part in the Global Initiative including Baltic Sea, Black Sea, Caspian Sea, East Asian Seas, Eastern Africa/West Indian Ocean, Mediterranean, Northeast Atlantic/ OSPAR, Northwest Pacific/NOWPAP, Red Sea and Gulf of Aden, South Asian Seas, Southeast Pacific/SPREP, and the Wider Caribbean/CEP.

COORDINATION /GOVERNANCE

Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans are leading the implementation of this Initiative.

PARTNER(S)

Other partners in the initiative include government representatives, United Nations bodies, donor agencies and organizations, the private sector and NGOs.

GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- a. Building knowledge and understanding the ML problem
- b. Developing a common approach to Monitoring ML. UNEP's efforts respond to the call by the UN General Assembly to address the lack of data and information on ML as an obstacle to a better management.
- c. Reducing ML using Economic Instruments
- d. Enhancing livelihood of fishermen and contributing to healthy marine ecosystems
- e. Public awareness and outreach

PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

The UNEP Global Initiative on Marine Litter has been successful in organizing, implementing and promoting regional activities on marine litter around the world.

Work in each participating region has proceeded according to agreements on the development of marine litter management activities concluded between the Regional Seas Coordinating Office and the Regional Coordinating Units (secretariats) of 12 Regional Seas programmes (Conventions and Action Plans): Baltic Sea, Black Sea, Caspian, East Asian Seas, Eastern Africa/WIO, Mediterranean, Northeast Atlantic, Northwest Pacific, Red Sea and Gulf of Aden, South Asian Seas, Southeast Pacific, and the Wider Caribbean.

The four main activities prescribed by the signed agreements included the (1) preparation of a review of the status of marine litter in the region; (2) preparation of the Regional Action Plan (RAP) or regional strategy on the sustainable management of marine litter; (3) organization of a regional meeting of national authorities and experts on marine litter; and (4) participation in a Regional Cleanup Day, within the framework of Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup campaign.

TIMELINE & RESOURCES

Ongoing Effort

ACHIEVEMENTS AT A GLANCE

Key results include⁶:

- Twelve Regional Seas programmes developed well structured, regional initiatives that, amongst others;
 - ⇒ assessed the magnitude of the problem through collection and analysis of existing data and information, and
 - ⇒ published regional reports highlighting the status of ML, identifying priorities and strategies for response. The knowledge generated will be used to further develop global and regional activities and implement concrete actions in each of the 12 regions for improved management of ML.
- concrete and systematic regional strategies on the management of marine litter (e.g. – the Mediterranean Action Plan on Marine Litter). The strategies have been adopted by the governing bodies of seven Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans, and concrete actions are being developed.
- UNEP has prepared a comprehensive synthesis report based on an analysis of the regional activities undertaken so far. The report is titled "Marine Litter: A Global Challenge".
- Together with UNESCO/IOC, UNEP has developed a new global, operational methodology for the scientific monitoring of ML. Guidelines for the use of the methodology are contained in the publication "UNEP/IOC Guidelines on Survey and Monitoring of Marine Litter".
- UNEP has developed guidelines on the use of economic instruments in the management of ML. The guidelines will provide decision makers with practical and operational options for the selection and implementation of economic/market-based instruments to address the problem of marine litter. It is expected that the guidelines "Guidelines on the Use of Market based Instruments to Address the Problem of Marine Litter" will be utilized in the Regional Seas to enhance the management of ML.

⁶: <https://www.peacepalacelibrary.nl/ebooks/files/334579899.pdf>

- UNEP and FAO jointly undertook a global review: “Abandoned, lost or otherwise discarded fishing gear (ALDFG)” on the magnitude, impacts and composition of ALDFG, and assessed the feasibility of abating the ML problem through joint programmes and activities between Regional Fisheries Bodies (RFBs) and Regional Seas Programmes (RSPs), capacity building activities including awareness, outreach, and education.
- UNEP’s publication “Marine Litter: An analytical overview” as well as the brochure “Tightening the noose: The growing threat of marine litter” have proved to be popular with many people around the world; among them researchers, professionals, and students.

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The International Coastal Clean UP (ICC)-Ocean Conservancy



GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE: GLOBAL INITIATIVE

WEBSITE: <https://oceanconservancy.org/>

LAUNCHED: 1984

TYPE: CAMPAIGN/CLEAN UP

SHORT DESCRIPTION

The International Coastal Cleanup is a global event initiated in 1986 by the Ocean Conservancy, a U.S. non-governmental organization is the largest global volunteer effort to clean-up beaches, but also to address the sources and distribution of marine debris globally.

COORDINATION /GOVERNANCE

The initiative is Coordinated by the Ocean Conservancy, a U.S. non-governmental organization.

PARTNER(S)

List of the main partners of the ICC is provided below. However, the initiative is sponsored year by year from various partners as well as outreach partners (see Box on the right)

- Norton Point (an eyewear brand based on the island of Martha’s Vineyard, MA)
- The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
- Brunswick, a leader in the marine industry
- Bank of America’s Ocean Commitment

2015 International Coastal Cleanup Sponsoring Partners

The Coca Cola Company

Bank of America
Cox of Conserves
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Altria Group, Inc.

Brunswick Public Foundation
The Dow Chemical Company
Glad
Hollomon Price Foundation
ITW

The Martin Foundation
Owens-Illinois, Inc.
Robert & Toni Bader Charitable Foundation

OUTREACH PARTNERS:

Keep America Beautiful
Project AWARE
U.N. Environment Programme
U.S. Department of State

GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Vision of the Ocean Conservancy is a healthy ocean that sustains life on our planet.

Conservancy’s International Coastal Cleanup aim at engaging people to remove trash from the world’s beaches and waterways, identify the sources of debris and change the behaviors that cause marine debris in the first place.

PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

Main activities of the ICC include:

- Annual report, presenting the results of Global CleanUP Activities

TIMELINE & RESOURCES

The International Coastal Cleanup is organized every year and is an ongoing campaign since 1984.

Ocean Conservancy activities including ICC and the Trash Free Seas Alliance is supported from private sector partners by directly invested in efforts to solve challenges as sponsors, from online donation and volunteering efforts.

An example and donation mechanism and also partnership with Ocean Conservancy is [Norton Point](#), an accessories and clothing company based on Martha’s Vineyard committed to giving back to the environment. Norton Point is donating a portion of the proceeds from their sunglasses made from recycled beach plastic to

Ocean Conservancy.

Regarding sponsorship Ocean Conservancy's [International Coastal Cleanup](#) has had a dedicated sponsor in Bank of America for more than 13 years. More than 2,000 employees participated in the International Coastal Cleanup in 2015. Bank of America is part of a prestigious group of corporate, foundation and government leaders committed to conservation action and community responsibility by supporting and participating in the world's largest volunteer effort on behalf of the ocean.

ACHIEVEMENTS AT A GLANCE

Over the past 30 years, Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup has become the world's largest volunteer effort for ocean health.

Nearly 11,5 million volunteers from 153 countries and locations countries have documented and removed more than 200 million items of debris from beaches, waterways and oceans. on just one day each year. They have recorded every item found, giving us a clear picture of the manufactured items affecting the health of humans, wildlife, and economies.

As a result, this amassed data set is unparalleled in scope and scale. Through a new research partnership, a team from NOAA, Ocean Conservancy and CSIRO have set out to further advance scientific knowledge by using statistical

tools to draw out additional insights from this 30-year data set, with the goal of establishing a first-ever debris density baseline for the United States.

Currently underway, this analysis elucidates temporal and spatial trends in marine debris that will help decision-makers develop more effective policies to confront the diverse challenge of marine debris. Additionally, the analysis strives to draw out inferences about causative factors – such as land use, population density and geographic elements – that drive differences in patterns among varying product types.

In addition to the above achievement, a new application entitled "With Clean Swell™" was launched in 2015. The app join a global community working to improve our ocean by adding vital data to the world's largest database on marine debris. This database is used by scientists, conservation groups, governments and industry leaders to study ocean trash and take action to ensure trash never reaches beaches.

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Trash Free Seas Alliance® - Ocean Conservancy



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 **GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE:** GLOBAL INITIATIVE

 **WEBSITE:** <https://oceanconservancy.org/trash-free-seas/plastics-in-ocean/trash-free-seas-alliance/>

 **LAUNCHED:** 2011

TYPE: PREVENTION/MITIGATION/AWARENESS/

SHORT DESCRIPTION

In 2012 Ocean Conservancy launched the Trash Free Seas Alliance®. The Alliance unites industry, science and conservation leaders who share a common goal for a healthy ocean free of trash. The Alliance provides a constructive forum focused on identifying opportunities for cross-sector solutions that drive action and foster innovation.

COORDINATION /GOVERNANCE

As a leader in finding solutions for our water planet, Ocean Conservancy organizes and resources the Trash Free Seas Alliance® and identifies opportunities for synergy among members. The Alliance's executive committee and members work to select priorities and projects.

PARTNER(S)

Current Founding members of the Trash Free Seas Alliance® include:

- Ocean Conservancy
- Algalita Marine Research and Education
- The Coca-Cola Company
- Covanta Energy
- The Dow Chemical Company
- ITW
- Keep America Beautiful
- The Marine Mammal Center
- The Ocean Recovery Alliance
- Project AWARE Foundation

Recent Members:

- Amcor
- American Chemistry Council
- Bank of America
- Dart Container Corporation
- Georgia Aquarium
- NatureWorks
- Nestlé Waters NA
- Procter & Gamble
- REDISA
- The Consumer Goods Forum
- Vancouver Aquarium
- Walmart
- World Animal Protection
- World Wildlife Fund

Advisory Members:

- Bren School of Environmental Science & Management
- DSM Environmental Services, Inc.
- Michigan State University School of Packaging
- Sea Education Association

GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Vision of the Ocean Conservancy is a healthy ocean that sustains life on our planet.

Ocean Conservancy's corporate engagement is built around:

Sustainable business partnerships that result in a tangible conservation benefit, such as working with business and industry to reduce impacts on our ocean.

Ocean Conservancy's [Trash Free Seas Alliance](#)[®] unites industry, science and nonprofit leaders that share a common goal for a healthy ocean free of trash. The Alliance provides the only forum of its kind focused on identifying opportunities for cross-sector solutions that drive action and foster innovation. Central to the Alliance's work is advancing new knowledge, understanding how materials enter our ocean, and identifying cost effective strategies to confront plastic pollution at the global scale.

Cause marketing to increase awareness of the alliance's mission and work through brand awareness and affinity campaigns.

PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

N/A

TIMELINE & RESOURCES

The initiation of the alliance

ACHIEVEMENTS AT A GLANCE

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Algalita Marine Research Foundation

 GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE: GLOBAL

 WEBSITE: <https://algalita.org/>

 LAUNCHED: 1999

TYPE: CAMPAIGN/CLEAN UP/RESEARCH



SHORT DESCRIPTION

Algalita Marine Research Foundation is a leading research organization focused on plastic pollution and its impacts on marine life and ecosystems. The organization was founded in 1999 by Captain Charles Moore, who was the first to discover the swirling soup of plastic debris in the Pacific's north eastern gyre - known by many as the Great Pacific Garbage Patch.

COORDINATION /GOVERNANCE

The foundation has a Board of Directors responsible for the management of the foundation and a team of experts who operated the foundation.

PARTNER(S) Main supporting organizations and Associations:

- Boeing
- Boeing Employee Community Fund of California
- Change Happens Foundation
- Clif Bar Family Foundation
- The Coca-Cola Company
- COORC – Clean Our Oceans Refuge Coalition
- Costa Del Mar, Inc
- Edison International c/o Southern California Edison
- Employees Charity Organization of Northrop Grumman
- ERM Foundation
- ESRI
- Granite Bay Energy

- Green Wish
- Guacamole Fund
- HomeAdvisor.com
- Stefan and Irina Hearst
- HRH Foundation
- JiJi Foundation
- Johnson Ohana Charitable Foundation
- Kenneth T & Eileen Norris Foundation
- Long Beach Community Foundation
- The Robert and Lisa Margolis Family Foundation
- The Martin Foundation, Inc.
- Natracare, LLC
- NBC 4 Southern California
- New Belgium Brewing Company
- Orange County Community Foundation
- Pacific Life Foundation
- REEF
- Surf Industry Manufacturers Association (SIMA)
- Tesoro
- Wells Fargo Bank Palos Verdes Branch
- Will J. Reid Foundation

Partner Organizations:

- 5 Gyres
- Cabrillo Marine Aquarium
- California Coastal Commission

- Earth Echo International
- Explore Ecology
- ExplorOcean
- Greenly Art Space
- Grades of Green
- Kōkua Hawai'i Foundation
- Maui Ocean Center
- Ocean Institute
- One Foot Free Racing
- ORV Alguita, Inc
- Plastic Pollution Coalition
- Pangaea Exploration
- Recycle Across America
- Surfrider Foundation
- Tara Foundation for Marine Research
- Trash Free Seas Alliance
- Trilogy Excursions
- U.S. Zero Waste Business Council
- Wyland Foundation
- Zoë b Organic

Product Partners

- Chico Bag
- Klean Kanteen
- Life Without Plastic
- Mountain Valley Spring Water
- ReUSEit
- Simply Straws
- To-Go Wear

GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Algalita is dedicated to the protection and improvement of the marine environment and its

watersheds through research and education on the impacts of plastic pollution.

PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

Main component of the organizations activities is Research and Education.

Research activities:

- Expeditions
- 15-year retrospective study: North Pacific Gyre
- During the summer of 2014, Algalita completed the last of a four-part series of expeditions focused on collecting comparative data sets on plastic pollution in the Pacific’s northeastern gyre.
- Algalita has collected information during four expeditions (1999, 2008, 2009, and 2014). The information and data have been evaluated by researchers regarding the long-term trends, changes, and environmental impacts of plastic pollution observed over the past 15 years.

• Plastic Pollutants and Wildlife studies

In collaboration with California State University Long Beach and University of Wisconsin-Superior, Algalita scientists are investigating how plastic in our ocean is contaminating our food chain.

- the Plastic Ocean Index, a GIS (Geographical Information System) that will combine and present in-depth information about the presence of plastic in the world’s oceans.

This platform will allow Algalita and other plastic pollution researchers, including citizen scientists, to manage their data geographically. It is a dynamic tool that translates large amounts of information quickly and efficiently to reveal relationships, patterns, and trends.

- Annual Progress Report

TIMELINE & RESOURCES

Main resources are the followings:

- Contributions and grants

Collaborative Projects

- Quantitative Plastic Analysis from the 2012 Asia Pacific/Japanese Tsunami Debris Field Investigation
- California Bight 2013 Study – Southern California Coastal Water Research Project (SCCWRP) and other agencies
- The First Study of Microplastics in Inshore Hawaiian Waters – Trilogy Excursions Blue Aina Program
- Reducing Plastic Debris in the Los Angeles and San Gabriel River Watersheds
- Albatross Liver & Tissue Analysis – Cal State Long Beach
- North Pacific Gyre Fish Ingestion Study – Cal State Long Beach
- Antarctica Research Project with Tara Foundation for Marine Research
- Plastic Debris Rivers to Sea

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- Program service revenue
- Membership
- Investment income
- Special Events

ACHIEVEMENTS AT A GLANCE

(See Priority Actions /Activities above)

CONTACT INFORMATION/FOCAL POINT(S)

The 5 Gyres Institute

 **GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE:** GLOBAL

 **WEBSITE:** <http://www.5gyres.org>

 **LAUNCHED:** 2009

TYPE: PREVENTION/AWARENESS

SHORT DESCRIPTION

5 Gyres is an organization aimed at reducing plastics pollution. They have traveling exhibits and summarize topic relevant research. Their traveling activities include stops at universities and educational discussions.

COORDINATION /GOVERNANCE

5 Gyres was founded by Anna Cummins and Marcus Eriksen. Eriksen and Cummins have been featured speakers at universities and in news stories. A team of scientists, artists, educators, adventurers runs the organization on a volunteer basis.

PARTNER(S)

- [Klean Kanteen](#)
- [Lush Fresh Handmade Cosmetics](#)
- [earthdaytx2016](#)
- [rainbowlight](#)
- [U KOMSERVE](#)
- [Ship to Shore Traveler](#)
- [Native eyewear](#)
- [American Spirits Exchange](#)
- [Exploring CIRCLE](#)
- [ALL good](#)
- [Lunch skins](#)
- [Packaging 2.0](#)
- [Bureo](#)



GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Main goal of the organization is to lead the effort to research aquatic plastic pollution and to find solutions for regaining a plastic-free ocean and to empower citizens to become leaders in combating the global health crisis of plastic pollution.

PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

The members of the initiative organize research expeditions, inviting scientists, journalists and other sailors to join the crew, work with them side by side to conduct the science, and return to their communities engaged to promote solutions.

To communicate about the global impact of plastic pollution, the organization shares its findings through multimedia outlets and peer-reviewed publications. These include print and television media, websites and blogs, lectures and school outreach, and a traveling exhibition about plastic pollution to museums, science centers and aquariums.

To eliminate plastic pollution, they employ strategies such as better designed products, fair legislation, and engagement in consumer education. Post-consumer cleanup efforts focus on coastal and island debris removal and mitigation.

TIMELINE & RESOURCES

5 Gyres activities are ongoing, and no specific formal timeline have been noticed through the current web-based market survey.

The implementation of the 5 Gyres activities is based on volunteering and donations.

ACHIEVEMENTS AT A GLANCE

So far, 5 Gyres organization has:

- Launched 19 ocean research expeditions in all 5 subtropical gyres as well as many of the world's lakes and rivers in search of plastic, obtaining never known statistic about plastic pollution.
- Passed the first ever state microbead legislation.
- Created a Youth Summit, inspiring the next generation of plastic fighters.
- Performed unprecedented research finding massive plastic microbead pollution in the Great Lakes.
- Co-sponsored a national microbead bill. It is being debated now!
- Created international education and awareness of ocean plastic pollution.
- Restored habitat with international beach clean ups.
- Pressured 16 major cosmetic companies to remove microbeads from their products

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Waste Free Oceans

 **GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE:** GLOBAL

 **WEBSITE:** <http://www.wastefreeoceans.eu/>

 **LAUNCHED:** 2011

TYPE: MITIGATION/AWARENESS/RESOURCE RECOVERY

SHORT DESCRIPTION

Waste Free Oceans (WFO) is a ground breaking public-private Foundation aimed at mobilizing and uniting the fisheries sector, public authorities and the international plastics industry in combating the growing issue of floating litter on the coastlines, at the rivers and in the seas. Using existing fishing trawls and new technologies, WFO engage fishing community in cleaning up floating marine debris and bring it back to land for recycling and sorting.

The Foundation has started as a pilot project in Europe to encourage fishermen and the plastics industry to work together on marine litter and has now resulted in worldwide actions and the joining of forces in cleanup operations on marine litter.

COORDINATION /GOVERNANCE

Waste Free Oceans has been set up by the European Plastics Converters (EuPC), the EU-level trade association representing over 50.000 companies in Europe that are producing more than 45 million tonnes of plastics products a year⁷.

The existing Initiatives and organizations are segregated by the:

⁷ http://www.marlisco.eu/Waste_Free_Oceans_Initiative.en.html?articles=Waste_Free_Oceans_Initiative



- regions (Africa, Americas, Arabian Gulf, Asia excluding Arabian Gulf and Turkey, Australia/New Zealand, Europe including Turkey),
- location and responsible association (if appropriate).

PARTNER(S)

- Europeche
- Masterplan
- Plastics Recycling Show Europe
- Groningen Seaports
- Seal Rehabilitation and Research Center
- Tomra Group
- mtm-plastics
- Cyclos
- Paprec Recyclage
- Sioen
- Barcelona City
- CETMAR
- Federation de la Plasturgie
- Federplast
- APIP
- Closed Loop Recycling
- Port of Barcelona
- CLS
- Comitè Nacional des Peches
- Green-Dot Cyprus
- Mikrolin
- TKV

- Huke Group
- Black Sea Commission
- ICPDR
- Mio-ECSDE
- Logoplaste
- ECoast
- Vienna University
- Upcycle the Gyres
- Cefas
- Alpagro Plastics
- Healthy Seas

GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

WFO’s aim is to raise awareness on the issue of marine litter, to work on educational campaigns and to continue WFO’s pan-European and international projects of reducing and reusing the plastics waste from our oceans and seas – **closing the loops for a sustainable future**. The foundations aim was to reduce the amount of marine debris by 2020.

Picture Source:

<http://www.wastefreeoceans.eu/>



PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

The initiative uses existing fishing trawls and new technology to collect floating marine litter and bring it back to land for recycling and sorting. The fishermen involved in this operation are compensated.

TIMELINE & RESOURCES

There is no specific timeline. The status of the foundation is ongoing, and its activities are supported by private sponsors and donations.

ACHIEVEMENTS AT A GLANCE

- On June 1st 2012 officially launched the WASTE FREE DANUBE PROJECT starting in Vienna Austria on the Danube river.
- Congratulate Unilever to stop using micro plastics as ingredients in their products on a global scale and phase out by 2015.
- More than 15 Marine debris Collection & Recycling tests using trawls around Europe between 2011-2013.

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KIMO International

 **GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE:** REGIONAL

 **WEBSITE:** <http://www.kimointernational.org/>

 **LAUNCHED:** 1990

TYPE: PREVENTION/PROTECTION

SHORT DESCRIPTION

KIMO (Kommunenes Internasjonale Miljøorganisasjon) was founded by local municipalities with a shared concern for the state of the environment, in response to a series of emerging environmental threats. KIMO is a local authorities international environmental organization designed to give municipalities a political voice at regional, EU and international level⁸.

KIMO was founded in Esbjerg, Denmark, in August 1990 by four municipalities and from this modest start has grown to represent over 80 member municipalities in eight countries, representing more than five million citizens in Europe

COORDINATION /GOVERNANCE

KIMO is governed by an Assembly of Delegates which meets once a year to discuss and agree on all major decisions on policy and to approve the annual budget. The International Board of Directors is the management group, consisting of the Chairs of each member network, which is responsible for managing the work programme and budget. The International



Secretariat is responsible for the day-to-day running of the organization. Each network also has a management board and a coordinator which report back to the International Board. The coordinators focus on the implementation of projects and coordinate the expansion of the organization⁹.

The International Secretariat communicates policy development and issues relevant to KIMO members and actions resulting work. It coordinates joint responses to public consultations. It highlights and plans strategies for dealing with emerging issues. It works with national networks to coordinate practical and research-based projects. It facilitates information and sharing of best practice between members and externally. It organizes meetings and seminars. It promotes KIMO and its work internationally.

MEMBER(S)

KIMO has 80 members representing members representing around 150 communities across Europe.

GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

KIMO is committed to the development of sustainable coastal communities by:

⁸ <http://www.kimointernational.org/about-us/mission-statement/>

⁹ <http://www.kimointernational.org/about-us/how-we-work/>

- Preventing pollution of the seas and coastal waters of North Western Europe and preserving, improving and enhancing them for future generations.
- Protecting coastal communities from the impacts of marine pollution and climate change.
- Representing its member local authorities and associated members at an international and national level.

PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

KIMO pursues environmental issues at international level (e.g. International Maritime Organization, UNEP), EU level (European Parliament, European Commission) and regional level (e.g. OSPAR, HELCOM, CPMR) by proactive lobbying of government ministers and others to acknowledge and take action on the issues threatening our marine environment. KIMO collaborates with NGOs internationally, nationally and regionally to make joint proposals against emerging threats. It seeks practical solutions to environmental problems and seeks funding to run demonstrative projects which allow its members to highlight solutions to governments and policymakers. In addition, KIMO undertakes research both internally and in collaboration with research institutions and other organizations to ensure that the information and evidence-base used to back up its lobbying is both accurate and contemporary.

KIMOS works in the following six (6) action areas:

- **Dumping at Sea**

KIMO works towards the implementation of legislation to prohibit future munitions dumps into Europe's seas. KIMO, in collaboration with the Irish government, highlighted the need for the implementation of a European Independent Monitoring Programme. This legislation now

stipulates that encounters with dumped munitions are to be recorded in detail so that management options can be considered.

- **Marine Litter**

KIMO works to find enduring solutions to mitigate the problems caused by marine litter through practical projects; education & outreach; supporting scientific research.

- **Maritime Safety and Pollution**

KIMO works towards the implementation of legislation that will raise health, safety and environmental standards in the shipping industry. KIMO also campaigns against threatening proposals and for adequate compensation for coastal communities affected by pollution.

- **Nuclear Emissions & Transportation**

KIMO works proactively to persuade European governments to contain and concentrate nuclear waste rather than diluting and dispersing waste in foreign locations.

- **Pollution from Oil and Gas Industry**

IMO works towards the implementation of legislation that will raise health, safety and environmental standards in the oil and gas industry. KIMO also campaigns for adequate legislation to cover the decommissioning of oil platforms.

- **EU Marine Strategy**

KIMO has Observer status on two of the Regional Seas Conventions (OSPAR and HELCOM) and directly contribute to implementation of the MSFD by developing guidance and participating in working groups. KIMO also directly influences marine policy

through their facilitation of OSPAR's working group of marine litter experts from 15 European countries.

ACHIEVEMENTS AT A GLANCE

KIMO's Fishing for Litter scheme has been hugely successful in encouraging fishermen to take ashore litter and abandoned, lost or discarded fishing gear (ALDFG) that they find during their normal fishing activities.

The initiative has been implemented in the following areas:

Scotland

website: www.fishingforlitter.org.uk

email: scotland@fishingforlitter.org.uk

SouthWest

website: www.fishingforlitter.org.uk

email: southwest@fishingforlitter.org.uk

Holderness, UK

website: www.ywt.org.uk

email: yorkshire@fishingforlitter.org.uk

Ireland

email: eire@fishingforlitter.org.uk

North Devon

website: http://www.northdevon-aonb.org.uk/grants_and_projects/clean-marine

TIMELINE & RESOURCES

KIMO runs ongoing activities and projects, the majority of which are funded by third parties.

CONTACT INFORMATION/FOCAL POINT(S)

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The Ocean Recovery Alliance

 **GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE:** CALIFORNIA-HONG KONG

 **WEBSITE:** <http://www.oceanrecov.org/>

 **LAUNCHED:** 2011

TYPE: INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE

SHORT DESCRIPTION

The Ocean Recovery Alliance is a non-profit organization focused on bringing new technologies, innovation, ideas and collaborations to improve the health of our ocean. The projects are both global and local in nature.

Ocean Recovery Alliance is a 501c3 registered non-profit in California and is a registered charitable organization in Hong Kong. Ocean Recovery Alliance strives to take a lead with a variety of existing stakeholders, leveraging each of their qualities and institutional capacities when needed, while combining forces with the business and technology sectors in ways that have not been done before.

COORDINATION MECHANISMS/GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

Operated by the Ocean Recovery Alliance Staff.

PARTNER(S)

Basic Supporters of the Alliance are the followings:

- [Hamilton Advisors Limited](#)
- [Duplicate of Responsible Investment Research Association - India](#)
- [Duplicate of EISAL - Asia](#)
- [Global Partnership for Oceans](#)
- [United Nations Environmental Programme](#)
- [Vor-Tek Solution](#)



Ocean
Recovery Alliance

GOALS – OBJECTIVES & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The focus of Ocean Recovery Alliance is to bring together new ways of thinking, technologies, creativity and collaborations = to introduce innovative projects and initiatives that will help improve our ocean environment. This includes creating business opportunities for local communities when applicable, = to address some of the pressing issues that our ocean faces today.

PRIORITY ACTIONS/ACTIVITIES

The group is an umbrella organization that operates and organizes a variety of sub-projects, some of which have their own operating teams, budgets and objectives. In some cases, these projects may complement one another, and in others, they will be stand-alone.

The main component of the Ocean Recovery Alliance is the realization of two programs which addresses plastic pollution at scale, across borders, without the need for bans, legislative changes, or taxes. Both were launched at the Clinton Global Initiative and have since been adopted by both the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), and the World Bank's Global Partnership for Oceans as tools to tackle plastic waste.

One is the Plastic Disclosure Project, and the other is the Global Alert platform, which is a global map to track trash hot-spots, using community reporting.

In addition, the alliance runs the innovative Plasticity Forum, on the future of plastic and where the leaders are going with design, innovation, materials, recycling

and solutions, so we have less of a waste footprint with plastic.

Other programs include the Kids Ocean Day Hong Kong, the Ocean in Motion Film Festival, and the Ocean Art Walk, and work with companies and municipalities/governments in order to improve their recycling, packaging, and plastic use for a world with a reduced waste footprint.

TIMELINE & RESOURCES

The alliance's activities are based on direct on-line or in-house donations and sales of specific products, which advertised on its own website.

CONTACT INFORMATION/FOCAL POINT(S)

United States: Ocean Recovery Alliance, Inc.

c/o Malibu Foundation, 1471 S. Bedford St. #3, Los Angeles 90035, USA

Hong Kong: Ocean Recovery Alliance, Ltd.

20FI Central Tower, 28 Queen's Road, Central, Hong Kong

Analysis

The information obtained from the web-based research is further analyzed in this section and initial statistical data are provided in the following tables.

Table 3: World Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter Initiatives-Scale of Implementation

Scale of Implementation:	Global/ International	National	Regional	Total
World Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter Initiatives	46	41	28	115
Africa	2	3	0	5
Kenya	2			2
South Africa		3		3
Asia	3	7	1	11
Indonesia	1	1	1	3
Israel		1		1
Japan	2	1		3
Malaysia		1		1
South Korea		1		1
Turkey		2		2
Europe	16	22	6	44
Belgium	1		1	2
Cyprus		3		3
Denmark	2	1		3
Estonia	1			1
France	3		1	4
Germany	2	2		4
Greece			1	1
Ireland		2		2
Italy		2		2
Norway		1		1
Portugal		1		1
Spain	1	1		2
Sweden		1		1
Switzerland	1	1	1	3
The Netherlands	1	1	1	3
UK	4	6	1	11
North America	10	4	18	32
Canada	3		3	6
USA	7	4	15	26
California	2	1	6	9
Caribbean			2	2
Carolina			1	1
Florida			3	3

Scale of Implementation:	Global/ International	National	Regional	Total
Hawaii			1	1
Mexico	1		1	2
Pennsylvania	1			1
Rhodes Island		2		2
Texas			1	1
Washington DC,Us	3	1		4
South America	0	2	0	2
Brazil		1		1
Peru		1		1
Oceania	2	3	1	6
Australia	1	3	1	5
New Zealand	1			1
Other	13	0	2	15
Note: The rest 27 initiatives concern countries such as Austria, Bali, Bogota, Rhodes Island etc.				

 Table 4: World Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter Organizations-Scale of Implementation

Scale of Implementation:	Global/ International	National	Regional	Total
World Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter Organizations	24	35	12	71
Africa		1		1
South Africa		1		1
Asia	1	1	4	6
East Asia			1	1
Hong Kong	1		1	2
India			1	1
South East Asia			1	1
Turkey		1		1
Europe	11	11	6	28
Belgium	1			1
Bulgaria			1	1
Denmark	3			3
Finland		1		1
France	1		1	2
Greece	1	4		5
Ireland	1			1
Portugal		1		1
Sweden		1		1
The Netherlands	3	1	1	5
UK	1	2	2	5

Scale of Implementation:	Global/ International	National	Regional	Total
Ukraine		1		1
North America	9	11	2	22
Canada	1	3		4
USA	8	8	2	18
California	4	1		5
Connecticut, US		4		4
Hawaii*			2	2
New Jersey		1		1
Washington DC,Us	4	2		6
South America	1	1		2
Brazil	1	1		2
Oceania	2	10		12
Australia	2	9		11
Fiji		1		1

Table 5: Goals of the Initiatives & Type of Waste

	Initiative	Focus-Goals			Type of Waste
		Prevention (P)	Awareness (A)	Resource Recovery (RR) & Conservation (RC)	
	% of Total	51,41%	82,39%	14,08%	
1	"Ad Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group on Marine Litter and Microplastics"		A		ML
2	Adopt a beach	P	A		ML
3	African Marine Waste Network	P	A		ML
4	All One Ocean		A		ML
5	Alliance to End Plastic Waste	P	A		MP
6	Australian Marine Debris Initiative	P			ML
7	Bag It and Bin It - Don't Flush it. (UK)		A		LI
8	Baltic Clean Cup		A		ML
9	Beachwatch UK	p	A		ML
10	Beat the MicroBead	p	A		MB
11	Bioplastic Feedstock Alliance		A		MP
12	Blue Flag Programme	P	A		ML
13	Blue Lid Campaign		A	RR	MP
14	Boating Clean & Green Campaign	P	A		ML
15	Break Free from Plastic		A		MP
16	Break the Bag Habit Campaign	P	A	RC	MP
17	California Coastal Clean Up Day	P	A		ML
18	California's Marine Protected Area Network		A		ML
19	Campaign to reduce the distribution of free plastic bags		A		MP
20	Clean C	P	A		ML
21	Clean Cities, Blue Ocean		A		ML
22	Clean Europe Network	P	A		ML
23	Clean Ocean Project	P			ML
24	Clean Seas Campaign		A		ML
25	Clean Up Israel	p	A		ML
26	Clean Up South Africa	P	A		ML
27	CleanSea -Project	P	A		ML
28	Clear Blue Sea		A		ML
29	Clear the Coast	P	A		ML
30	Close the Plastic Tap Programme		A		MP
31	Closed-Loop Solutions		A	RR/RC	ML
32	Coast Care Program	P	A		ML
33	Cutting River Plastic Waste		A		MP

	Initiative	Focus-Goals			Type of Waste
		Prevention (P)	Awareness (A)	Resource Recovery (RR) & Conservation (RC)	
34	Dive Against Debris	p	A		SO
35	End Plastic Pollution		A		MP
36	EPA Vessel Sewage Discharge Program	P		RC	ML
37	European Week for Waste Reduction	P	A		LI
38	eXXpedition		A		ML
39	Fishing for Energy	P	A	RR	FG
40	Fishing for Litter	P			LI
41	Fishing for Litter in Germany	P	A		ML
42	Fishing Line Recycling in Hawaii		A	RR	FG
43	Florida Clean Marina Program	P	A		ML
44	Friends of the Earth		A		MP
45	G20 Framework for Implementation of Actions on Marine Plastic Litter		A		MP
46	GESAMP Working groups 40 and 43				ML
47	GESAMP's Work Programme				ML
48	Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives'		A		ML
49	Global Alliance of Waste Pickers Initiatives		A		ML
50	Global Ghost Gear Initiative	p	A		FG
51	Global Initiative on Marine Litter		A	RC	ML
52	Global Partnership on Marine Litter	P	A	RC, RR	ML
53	Global Partnership on Waste Management		A	RC	ML
54	Global Tourism Plastics Initiative				MP
55	Gulf of Mexico Alliance: Marine Debris Cross-Team Initiative	P	A		ML
56	Healthy Seas, a Journey from Waste to Wear'	P	A	RR	FG
57	Hold Norge Rent	P	A		ML
58	IAGC Marine Debris & Ghost Net Initiative		A		FG
59	Implementation of MARPOL Annex V in Cyprus	P			ML
60	Indirect Fee System for the Collection of ship Waste in Cyprus	P			ML
61	Indonesian Waste Platform		A		ML
62	International Coastal CleanUp	P	A		ML
63	International Pellet Watch		A		MP
64	INTERPOL's initiatives		A		ML
65	ISWA Marine Litter Task Force Initiatives	P	A		ML
66	Keep Britain Tidy	P	A		LI

	Initiative	Focus-Goals			Type of Waste
		Prevention (P)	Awareness (A)	Resource Recovery (RR) & Conservation (RC)	
67	Keep Sweden Tidy	P	A		LI
68	Keep the Mediterranean Litter Free Campaign	P	A		ML
69	Kuna Yala project	P	A		ML
70	Let's do it World!		A		ML
71	Life Cycle Initiative		A		ML
72	Life Out Of Plastic SAC (L.O.O.P)		A	RR	MP
73	Litterati		A		ML
74	Ma il mare non vale una cicca?- Marevivo	P	A		ML
75	Making Oceans Plastic Free	P	A		MP
76	Malaysian Plastics Forum (MPF): Don't be a Litterbug campaign	p	A		ML
77	Marine Litter Action Network	P	A	RR,RC	LI
78	Marine Litter Watch	P	A		ML
79	Marine Litter: the facts	P			ML
80	Mediterranean Action Plan	P			ML
81	Minderoo Foundation Initiatives		A		ML
82	Mission 2.Ocean		A		MP
83	Mitigating short-lived climate pollutants from the municipal solid waste sector	P	A		ML
84	Monofilament Recovery & Recycling Program		A	RR	FG
85	New Plastics Economy Global Commitment	P	A		MP
86	NextWave Plastics		A		MP
87	NOAA Marine Debris Program	P	A		ML
88	Ocean Conservancy		A		ML
89	Ocean Initiatives	p	A		ML
90	Ocean Plastics Charter		A		MP
91	Oceana		A		ML
92	OceanGybe-Garbage Study		A		ML
93	Operation Clean Sweep -pellet containment program	P			ML
94	Operation Clean Sweep - Plastic Pellet Loss Prevention Manual and Pledge	P	A		MP
95	OSEAN (Our Sea of East Asia Network)	P	A		ML
96	Perseus -Research Project		A		MP
97	Plastic Bank		A		MP
98	Plastic Busters-Project	P	A		ML
99	Plastic Oceans International		A		MP
100	Plastic Pollution Coalition		A		MP

	Initiative	Focus-Goals			Type of Waste
		Prevention (P)	Awareness (A)	Resource Recovery (RR) & Conservation (RC)	
101	Plastic Revolution		A		MP
102	Prevented Ocean Plastics	P	A		MP
103	Project Kaisei		A		ML
104	Projeto Lixo Marinho – Global Garbage Brasil		A		ML
105	Rendu Ocean			RC	ML
106	Responsible Snack Bar’ Project	P		RC	ML
107	“Return to Offender” Campaign	P	A	RR	ML
108	Sea cleaning vessel 'Battello Spazzamare' (Italy)	p	A		FL
109	Sea Life Trust	P	A		ML
110	Seabed cleaning in Cyprus	P	A		SO
111	Separation and recycling of materials from fishing trawl and nets	P		RR	MP
112	Shave our shores		A		ML
113	Ship-to-Shore	P	A		ML
114	Southeast Atlantic Marine Debris Initiative		A		ML
115	Southeast Florida Marine Debris Reporting and Removal Program	p	A		ML
116	SPREP's Pacific Oceans Pollution Prevention Programme (PACPOL)	P			ML
117	STH Harem Beach Cleaning, Rehabilitation and Conservation Project	p	A		SO
118	Stop plastic pollution ch		A	RC	MP
119	Story of stuff project		A		MP
120	Sustainable Coastlines	P	A		ML
121	SystemiQ’s Initiatives				ML
122	Thank you Ocean Campaign	P	A		ML
123	The 3R Initiative: Reduce, Recover, Recycle				ML
124	The Circulate Initiative				ML
125	The Clean Coasts Programme	p	A		ML
126	The Declaration of the Global Plastics Associations for Solutions on Marine Litter				ML

	Initiative	Focus-Goals			Type of Waste
		Prevention (P)	Awareness (A)	Resource Recovery (RR) & Conservation (RC)	
127	The Japan Environmental Action Network	p	A		ML
128	The Nobodys Trash - Indigenous Marine Debris Network		A		ML
129	The Ocean Cleanup				MP
130	The OECD Ocean initiatives				ML
131	The Plastic Bag Levy (Ireland)	P			MP
132	The Plastic Leak Project				MP
133	The United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development		A		ML
134	Trash Free Waters Program	P			ML
135	Trash Wall', Project Blue Sea		A		ML
136	UNEP Caribbean Environmental Program	P	A		ML
137	Waste Free Oceans	P	A	RR	FL
138	World Bank Initiatives		A		ML
139	WWF Plastic Initiatives		A		MP
140	Your Bottle Means Jobs		A	RR	MP
141	Zero Pellet Lost	P	A		MP
142	4Oceans		A		ML

Table 6: Activities of the Initiatives & Type of Waste

	Initiative	Activities							Type of waste
		Clean Up (CU)	Campaigns (C)/Education (E)	Research (R)	Policy-oriented (PO)	Mobile Application (MA)/Innovation (IN)	Waste Management (WM)/Recycling (RE)	Product Design (PD)	
	% of Total	44,37%	47,18% / 35,92%	21,13%	21,83%	9,15%	47,18%/8,45%	7,04%	
1	Ad Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group on Marine Litter and Microplastics				PO				ML
2	Adopt a beach	CU	C						ML
3	African Marine Waste Network		C, E						ML
4	All One Ocean	CU	E						ML
5	Alliance to End Plastic Waste	CU	C, E	R			WM		MP
6	Australian Marine Debris Initiative	CU	C, E			MA			ML
7	Bag It and Bin It - Don't Flush it. (UK)		C				WM		LI
8	Baltic Clean Cup	CU	C						ML
9	Beachwatch UK	CU	C						ML
10	Beat the MicroBead	CU				IN			MB
11	Bioplastic Feedstock Alliance			R			WM	PD	MP
12	Blue Flag Programme	CU	E			MA	WM		ML
13	Blue Lid Campaign		C				WM		MP
14	Boating Clean & Green Campaign		C, E	R			WM		ML

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		Clean Up (CU)	Campaigns (C)/Education (E)	Research (R)	Policy-oriented (PO)	Mobile Application (MA)/Innovation (IN)	Waste Management (WM)/Recycling (RE)	Product Design (PD)	
15	Break Free from Plastic		E		PO		WM		MP
16	Break the Bag Habit Campaign	CU	C						MP
17	California Coastal Clean Up Day	CU	C						ML
18	California's Marine Protected Area Network		E	R	PO				ML
19	Campaign to reduce the distribution of free plastic bags		C						MP
20	Clean C	CU	C, E				WM		ML
21	Clean Cities, Blue Ocean		E						ML
22	Clean Europe Network						WM		ML
23	Clean Ocean Project	CU	E				WM		ML
24	Clean Seas Campaign	CU	E				WM		ML
25	Clean Up Israel	CU	C						ML
26	Clean Up South Africa	CU	C						ML
27	Clean Seas Campaign	CU					WM		ML
28	Clear Blue Sea	CU							ML
29	Clear the Coast	CU	C			MA			ML
30	Close the Plastic Tap Programme		E	R	PO		WM		MP
31	Closed-Loop Solutions						WM	PD	ML
32	Coast Care Program	CU	C						ML

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		Clean Up (CU)	Campaigns (C)/Education (E)	Research (R)	Policy-oriented (PO)	Mobile Application (MA)/Innovation (IN)	Waste Management (WM)/Recycling (RE)	Product Design (PD)	
33	Cutting River Plastic Waste	CU	C	R			WM		MP
34	Dive Against Debris	CU	C			MA			SO
35	End Plastic Pollution	CU	C						MP
36	EPA Vessel Sewage Discharge Program	CU			PO				ML
37	European Week for Waste Reduction	CU	C						LI
38	eXXpedition		E	R					ML
39	Fishing for Energy	CU				IN	RE		FG
40	Fishing for Litter	CU							LI
41	Fishing for Litter in Germany	CU	C						ML
42	Fishing Line Recycling in Hawaii						WM, RE		FG
43	Florida Clean Marina Program						WM		ML
44	Friends of the Earth		C, E		PO				
45	G20 Implementation Framework for Actions on Marine Plastic Litter				PO		WM		ML
46	GESAMP Working groups 40 and 43		E	R					ML
47	GESAMP's Work		E	R					ML

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		Clean Up (CU)	Campaigns (C)/Education (E)	Research (R)	Policy-oriented (PO)	Mobile Application (MA)/Innovation (IN)	Waste Management (WM)/Recycling (RE)	Product Design (PD)	
	Programme								
48	Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives' Initiatives		E		PO		WM		ML
49	Global Alliance of Waste Pickers Initiatives	CU					WM		ML
50	Global Ghost Gear Initiative				PO				FG
51	Global Initiative on Marine Litter		C		PO		WM		ML
52	Global Partnership on Marine Litter		C			MA	WM, RE		ML
53	Global Partnership on Waste Management						WM		ML
54	Global Tourism Plastics Initiative		E				WM		MP
55	Gulf of Mexico Alliance: Marine Debris Cross-Team Initiative		C	R					ML
56	Healthy Seas, a Journey from Waste to Wear'		C, E				RE		FG
57	Hold Norge Rent	CU	C						ML
58	IAGC Marine Debris & Ghost Net Initiative		C				WM		FG
59	Implementation of MARPOL Annex V in Cyprus				PO				ML
60	Indirect Fee System for the Collection of ship Waste in Cyprus				PO				ML
61	Indonesian Waste Platform					MA			ML

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		Clean Up (CU)	Campaigns (C)/Education (E)	Research (R)	Policy-oriented (PO)	Mobile Application (MA)/Innovation (IN)	Waste Management (WM)/Recycling (RE)	Product Design (PD)	
62	International Coastal CleanUp	CU	C						ML
63	International Pellet Watch			R			WM, RE		MP
64	INTERPOL's initiatives						WM		ML
65	ISWA Marine Litter Task Force Initiatives		E		PO		WM		ML
66	Keep Britain Tidy	CU	C						LI
67	Keep Sweden Tidy	CU	C, E						LI
68	Keep the Mediterranean Litter Free Campaign	CU	C						ML
69	Kuna Yala project		C				WM		ML
70	Let's do it World!	CU	C				WM		ML
71	Life Cycle Initiative				PO		WM	PD	
72	Life Out Of Plastic SAC (L.O.O.P)		C, E				RE		MP
73	Litterati	CU	E	R		MA			ML
74	Ma il mare non vale una cicca?- Marevivo	CU	C, E				WM		CB
75	Making Oceans Plastic Free	CU		R				PD	MP
76	Malaysian Plastics Forum (MPF): Don't be a Litterbug campaign		C						ML
77	Marine Litter Action Network						WM, RE		LI
78	Marine Litter Watch					MA			ML
79	Marine Litter: the facts						WM		ML
80	Mediterranean Action								ML

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		Clean Up (CU)	Campaigns (C)/Education (E)	Research (R)	Policy-oriented (PO)	Mobile Application (MA)/Innovation (IN)	Waste Management (WM)/Recycling (RE)	Product Design (PD)	
	Plan								
81	Minderoo Foundation Initiatives		E	R			WM	PD	ML
82	Mission 2.Ocean	CU	E			IN	WM, RE		MP
83	Mitigating short-lived climate pollutants from the municipal solid waste sector	CU	E		PO		WM		ML
84	Monofilament Recovery & Recycling Program	CU	C						FG
85	New Plastics Economy Global Commitment						WM	PD	MP
86	NextWave Plastics						WM	PD	MP
87	NOAA Marine Debris Program	CU	C	R					ML
88	Ocean Conservancy	CU	E	R	PO		WM		MP
89	Ocean Initiatives	CU	C						ML
90	Ocean Plastics Charter	CU	E	R	PO		WM	PD	MP
91	Oceana	CU	C, E						ML
92	OceanGybe-Garbage Study		C, E	R					ML
93	Operation Clean Sweep - pellet containment program		C,E						ML
94	Operation Clean Sweep - Plastic Pellet Loss Prevention Manual and Pledge		C				WM		MP

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	Initiative	Activities							Type of waste
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95	OSEAN (Our Sea of East Asia Network)		C, E	R	PO				ML
96	Perseus -Research Project		C, E	R	PO	IN			MP
97	Plastic Bank	CU	E				WM		MP
98	Plastic Busters-Project		C			MA	WM		ML
99	Plastic Oceans International		E		PO				MP
100	Plastic Pollution Coalition		E						MP
101	Plastic Revolution		E	R			WM		MP
102	Prevented Ocean Plastics	CU	E	R					MP
103	Project Kaisei	CU	C, E						ML
104	Projeto Lixo Marinho – Global Garbage Brasil			R		MA	WM		ML
105	Rendu Ocean	CU	E	R					ML
106	Responsible Snack Bar' Project						WM		ML
107	Return to Offender" Campaign		C				WM		ML
108	Sea cleaning vessel 'Battello Spazzamare' (Italy)	CU	C				WM		FL
109	Sea Life Trust		C, E						ML
110	Seabed cleaning in Cyprus	CU	C						SO
111	Separation and recycling of materials from fishing trawl and nets					IN	WM, RE		MP
112	Shave our shores	CU	C		PO		WM		ML

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	Initiative	Activities							Type of waste
		Clean Up (CU)	Campaigns (C)/Education (E)	Research (R)	Policy-oriented (PO)	Mobile Application (MA)/Innovation (IN)	Waste Management (WM)/Recycling (RE)	Product Design (PD)	
113	Ship-to-Shore	CU	C				WM		ML
114	Southeast Atlantic Marine Debris Initiative				PO	MA, IN			ML
115	Southeast Florida Marine Debris Reporting and Removal Program	CU	C						ML
116	SPREP's Pacific Oceans Pollution Prevention Programme (PACPOL)						WM		ML
117	STH Harem Beach Cleaning, Rehabilitation and Conservation Project	CU	C				WM		SO
118	Stop plastic pollution ch		C						MP
119	Story of stuff project		C, E						MP
120	Sustainable Coastlines	CU	C						ML
121	SystemIQ's Initiatives	CU					WM		ML
122	Thank you Ocean Campaign	CU	C, E						ML
123	The 3R Initiative: Reduce, Recover, Recycle				PO		WM, RE		MP
124	The Circulate Initiative				PO		WM		ML
125	The Clean Coasts Programme	CU							ML
126	The Declaration of the Global Plastics Associations for Solutions on Marine Litter			R	PO		WM		ML
127	The Japan Environmental Action Network	CU	C						ML
128	The Nobodys Trash - Indigenous Marine Debris					MA	WM		ML

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		Clean Up (CU)	Campaigns (C)/Education (E)	Research (R)	Policy-oriented (PO)	Mobile Application (MA)/Innovation (IN)	Waste Management (WM)/Recycling (RE)	Product Design (PD)	
	Network								
129	The Ocean Cleanup	CU				MA			MP
130	The OECD Ocean initiatives				PO		WM		ML
131	The Plastic Bag Levy (Ireland)				PO				MP
132	The Plastic Leak Project						WM	PD	MP
133	The United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development		E	R			WM		ML
134	Trash Free Waters Program		C	R	PO				ML
135	Trash Wall, Project Blue Sea		C, E				WM		ML
136	UNEP Caribbean Environmental Program		C, E	R	PO		WM		ML
137	Waste Free Oceans	CU	C	R			WM, RE		FL
138	World Bank Initiatives		E		PO				ML
139	WWF Plastic Initiatives		C, E		PO		WM		MP
140	Your Bottle Means Jobs		C				RE		MP
141	Zero Pellet Lost						WM		MP
142	4Oceans	CU	E	R				PD	ML

Table 7: Goals of the Organizations & Type of Waste

A/A	Organization	Type of Organization*	Focus-Goals			Type of Waste
			Prevention (P)	Awareness (A)	Resource Recovery (RR) & Conservation (RC)	
	% of Total		76,06%	84,51%	11,27%/5,63%	
1	5 Gyres	NGO	P	A	RC	PL
2	Algalita Marine Research Foundation	NGO	P	A		MP
3	APLM – Associação Portuguesa do Lixo Marinho	NGO	P	A		ML
4	Archipelagos Institute of Marine Conservation	NGO				MP
5	ASEAN Working Group on Coastal and Marine Environment (AWGCME)	GO	P	A		ML
6	Associação Brasileira do Lixo Marinho (ABLM)	NGO	P	A		ML
7	Australian Marine Environment Protection Association (AUSMEPA)	NGO		A		
8	B.E.A.C.H Hawaii	NGO	P	A		ML
9	Black Sea NGO Networks	NET				
10	Boomerang Alliance – Marine Plastic Pollution	AL			RR	PL
11	Clean Ocean Action-Beach Sweeps	CO	P	A		ML
12	Clean Up Australia	NGO	P	A		ML
13	CleanUp the World	NGO	P	A		ML
14	Coastal & Marine Union (EUCC)	NET		A	RR	ML
15	CoastWatch Europe	NGO	P	A		ML
16	Duik de Noordzee Schoon (Clean the North Sea)	NGO	P	A		FG
17	Ecosurfer	NGO	P	A		ML
18	Expedition MED:Stop Plastic in the Sea	NGO	P	A		MP
19	Foundation for Environmental Education in Europe (FEEE)	NGO		A		ML
20	Ghostnets Australia	NGO	P	A		FG
21	Great Nova Scotia Pick me up	NGO	P	A		ML
22	HCMR	GO		A		MP
23	Hellenic Marine Environment Protection Association	NGO	P	A		ML
24	IFREMER	IN		A		MP
25	Indian Maritime Foundation, Pune	NGO	P	A		ML

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A/A	Organization	Type of Organization*	Focus-Goals			Type of Waste
			Prevention (P)	Awareness (A)	Resource Recovery (RR) & Conservation (RC)	
26	INTERMEPA Organization	NGO		A		ML
27	International Maritime Organization	IMO	P			ML & MP:
28	International Ocean Institute –African Region	NGO		A		ML
29	isea	NGO		A		ML
30	Keep America Beautiful	NGO			RR	LI
31	Keep the Archipelago Tidy Foundation	NGO	P	A		ML
32	Keep Scotland Beautiful	NGO	P	A		LI
33	Keep Sweden Tidy	NGO	P	A		LI
34	KIMO International	NGO	P	A		ML
35	Living Oceans Society	NGO	P	A		ML
36	Marine Conservation Society	NGO	P	A		ML
37	Marine Litter Solutions: "The Declaration of the Global Plastics Associations for Solutions on Marine Litter"	IP	P		RR	PL
38	NOAA –National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	GO	P	A	RC	ML
39	North America Marine Environment Protection Association(NAMEPA)	IO	P	A		ML
40	Ocean Ambassadors	PO	P		RR	ML
41	Ocean Crusaders Pty Ltd	Ltd		A		PL
42	Ocean Recovery Alliance	NGO	P		RR	PL
43	OSPAR-Regional Action Plan (RAP) for Marine Litter	GO	P		RC	ML
44	Plastic change	NGO	P	A		PL
45	Plastic Free Seas	NGO	P	A		PL
46	Plastic Pollution Coalition	NGO	P	A		ML
47	Plastic Soup Foundation	NGO	P	A	RC	ML
48	Project Aware Foundation	NGO	P	A		SO
49	Sea Shepherd Australia -Marine Litter Campaign	NGO	P	A		ML
50	Sea Web	NGO	P	A		ML
51	Seas at Risk	NGO		A		ML
52	Surfers Against Sewage	NGO	P	A		ML

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A/A	Organization	Type of Organization*	Focus-Goals			Type of Waste
			Prevention (P)	Awareness (A)	Resource Recovery (RR) & Conservation (RC)	
53	Surfrider Foundation -(Preventing Plastic Pollution)	NGO	P	A		PL
54	Surfrider Foundation Australia (Rise Above Plastics)	NGO	P	A		PL
55	Surfrider Foundation Europe	NGO	P	A		ML
56	Surfrider Holland	NGO	P	A		ML
57	Surfrider Vancouver (Rise above Plastic)	NGO	P	A		PL
58	Sustainable Coastlines Hawaii	NGO	P	A		ML
59	Sustainable Development Strategy for the Seas of East Asia (SDS-SEA)- Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA)	IGO	P	A		ML
60	Take 3 -A clean Beach Initiative	NGO	P	A		PL
61	Tangaroa Blue Foundation	NGO	P	A		ML
62	The Ocean Clean Up	NGO	P		RR	FL
63	The Ocean Foundation	NGO	P	A		ML
64	Trash Free Seas Alliance	NGO	P	A		ML
65	Turkish Marine Environment Protection Association (TURMEPA)	NGO	P	A		ML
66	Two Hands Project	NGO	P	A		PL
67	Ukrainian Marine Environment Protection Association (UKRMEPA)	NGO		A		ML
68	UPGYRES	NGO		A	RR	MP
69	West Coasts Marine Debris Alliance	GO	P			ML
70	West Coasts Ocean Alliance	GO	P	A		ML
71	World Plastics Council (WPC)	AS		A		PL

Table 8: Organizations dealing with Plastic Pollution & Marine Litter- Type, Activities & Type of Waste

A/A	Organization	Type of Organization*	Activities					Type of Waste**
			Clean Up (CU)/ Campaigns (C)	Research (R)	Database (D) / Mapping (MP)	Mobile Application (MA)	Waste Management (WM)/ Recycling (RY)	
	% of Total		46%/77%	15%	18%/4%	10%	4%/4%	
1	5 Gyres	NGO	C	R				PL
2	Algalita Marine Research Foundation	NGO	CU,C	R				MP
3	APLM – Associação Portuguesa do Lixo Marinho	NGO	C					ML
4	Archipelagos Institute of Marine Conservation	NGO		R	D			MP
5	ASEAN Working Group on Coastal and Marine Environment (AWGCME)	GO						ML
6	Associação Brasileira do Lixo Marinho (ABLM)	NGO						ML
7	Australian Marine Environment Protection Association (AUSMEPA)	NGO	C					
8	B.E.A.C.H Hawaii	NGO	CU,C	R				ML
9	Black Sea NGO Networks	NET	C					
10	Boomerang Alliance – Marine Plastic Pollution	AL	C				RY	PL
11	Clean Ocean Action-Beach Sweeps	CO	CU,C					ML
12	Clean Up Australia	NGO	CU,C					ML
13	CleanUp the World	NGO	CU,C					ML
14	Coastal & Marine Union (EUCC)	NET						ML
15	CoastWatch Europe	NGO	C		D,MP	MA		ML
16	Duik de Noordzee Schoon (Clean the North Sea)	NGO	CU,C					FG
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20	Ghostnets Australia	NGO	CU,C		D	MA		FG
21	Great Nova Scotia Pick me up	NGO	CU,C					ML
22	HCMR	GO		R	D			MP

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			Clean Up (CU)/ Campaigns (C)	Research (R)	Database (D) / Mapping (MP)	Mobile Application (MA)	Waste Management (WM)/ Recycling (RY)	
23	Hellenic Marine Environment Protection Association	NGO	C					ML
24	IFREMER	IN		R	D			MP
25	Indian Maritime Foundation, Pune	NGO	CU,C					ML
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41	Ocean Crusaders Pty Ltd	Ltd	C					PL
42	Ocean Recovery Alliance	NGO						PL
43	OSPAR-Regional Action Plan (RAP) for Marine Litter	GO					WM	ML
44	Plastic change	NGO	CU,C		D			PL
45	Plastic Free Seas	NGO	CU,C					PL
46	Plastic Pollution Coalition	NGO	C					ML
47	Plastic Soup Foundation	NGO					WM,RY	ML
48	Project Aware Foundation	NGO	C		D, MP			SO

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50	Sea Web	NGO	C					ML
51	Seas at Risk	NGO						ML
52	Surfers Against Sewage	NGO	CU,C					ML
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64	Trash Free Seas Alliance	NGO	CU,C			MA		ML
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67	Ukrainian Marine Environment Protection Association (UKRMEPA)	NGO	C					ML
68	UPGYRES	NGO	CU,C				WM	MP
69	West Coasts Marine Debris Alliance	GO	CU,C		D			ML
70	West Coasts Ocean Alliance	GO	C		D			ML
71	World Plastics Council (WPC)	AS	C					PL

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*NGO: non-governmental organization, GO: governmental organization, IGO: international governmental organization AS: Association, IMO: International Maritime Organization, IN: Institute, IP: Industrial Partnership, CO: Coalition, AL: Alliance

**ML: (General Marine Litter), FG: Fishing Gear, FL: Floating (marine) Litter, LI: Litter, MicroPlastics, Plastic Litter, SO: Seabased Objects,

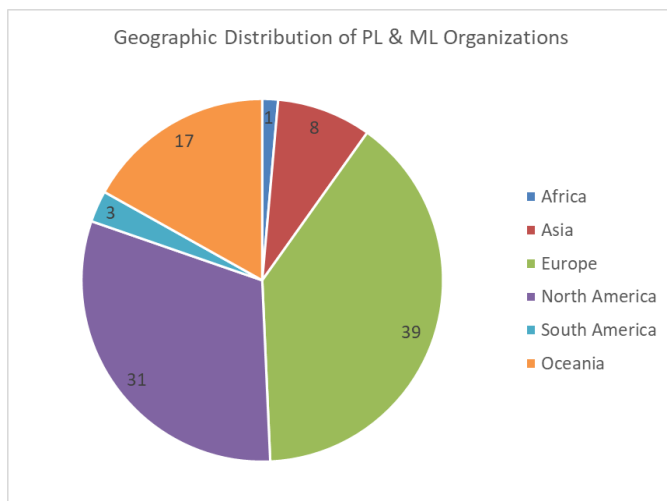
Findings

Analysis of **Table 3** and **Table 4** has provided the following findings:

- ⇒ There are at least 71 organizations around the world implementing plastic pollution and marine litter related activities. Around 34% of these organizations are of global or international implementation scale while the rest, 66%, are active on national or regional level.

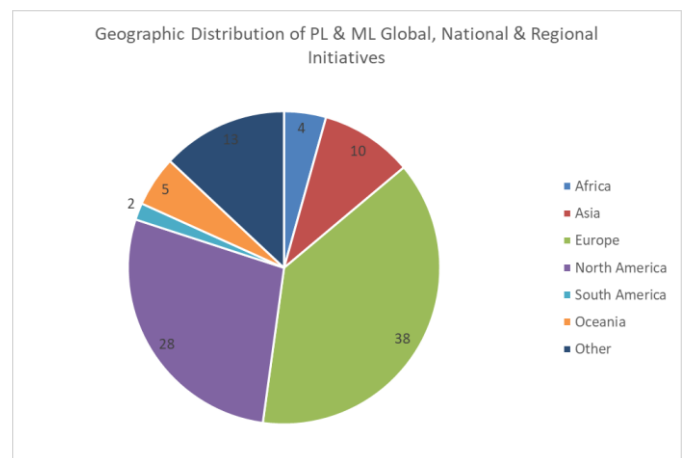


- ⇒ Most of the organizations are in Europe (39%), USA (31%) and Australia (17%).



- ⇒ There are at least 142 plastic pollution and marine litter related initiatives around the world, out of which the 40% of them are of Global/international implementation and 60% are active on National or Regional scale.

- ⇒ Most of the identified initiatives are taking place in Europe (38%) and USA (31%).



- ⇒ The core areas of the organizations and initiatives focus on the following overarching goals:

- 🔗 **Raise Awareness** on the plastic pollution and marine litter problem: 84,51% of the Organizations and 82,39% of the Initiatives emphasize on raising public awareness on the plastic pollution and marine litter problem: on sources of marine litter, their fate and impacts; on emerging issues related to the fate and potential influence of marine litter, including (micro) plastics uptake in the food web; and associated transfer of pollutants and impacts on the conservation and welfare of marine fauna.
- 🔗 **Prevent and Mitigate** levels and impacts of land-based and sea-based litter and other solid waste introduced into the aquatic environment: 76,06% of the Organizations and 51,41% of the Initiatives are working toward schemes that aim to prevent waste reaching the coastlines and the marine environment.
- 🔗 **Conserve and Recover Resources:** 16,90% of the Organizations and 14,08% of the Initiatives have

initiated actions that would contribute to conserve resources and/or recover marine debris including solid waste especially plastic, lost cargo, ALDFG, and abandoned vessels introduced into the aquatic environment.

🔗 **Information Sharing –Bridge the Gap:** Such efforts focus on mapping marine litter, define amount type and composition of pollution; promote knowledge management, information sharing and monitoring; emphasis is given to plastic and micro plastics. This is a significant issue addressed by global influential Organizations, through global Initiatives such as the Global Partnership on Marine Litter.

⇒ Plastic pollution and marine litter organizations and initiatives addresses plastic and marine litter pollution through:

🔗 **Clean-Ups and Campaigns**

Clean-ups and campaigns have been identified as the major tools of most organizations and initiatives to raise awareness, to remove marine litter and to collect valuable information on the amounts and types of litter accumulated at beaches, seabed, sea surface, waterways, parks, markets, roadsides and schools. Almost 44-46% of Organizations and Initiatives have engaged cleanups in their activities while Campaigns have been introduced by almost 77% of the organizations and 47% of the initiatives.

Most of the Cleanups are referred to coastal cleanup activities (more that 60% of the cases), while there are also cleanup activities focusing on removing lost fishing gear and other marine litter objects from the seabed. In addition, there are few attempts focusing on collecting floating marine litter, either plastic or abandoned fishing gear, in the scope of resource recovery. A very well-known case is the Ocean Cleanup Organization founded in 2013 by Boyan Slat a 17-year-old boy whose vision is to manage floating marine litter on the ocean’s surface through advanced technologies.

Litter Cleanups within the cities have been organized on national level by few initiatives to prevent littering reaching the marine environment and raise public awareness.

The most well-organized cleanup activities are realized through the **International Coastal Cleanup (ICC)** Initiative which is a global project coordinated since 1986 by the Ocean Conservancy (formerly the Center for Marine Conservation, CMC), a U.S. non-governmental organization.

Over the past 30 years, Ocean Conservancy’s International Coastal Cleanup has become the world’s largest volunteer effort for ocean health. Nearly 11,5 million volunteers from 153 countries and locations - countries have documented and removed more than 200 million items of debris from beaches, waterways and oceans on just one day each year.

Other important Cleanup activities are organized under the framework of the following initiatives:

- **The U.S. National Marine Debris Monitoring Program**, which is coordinated by the Ocean Conservancy’s Office of Pollution Prevention and Monitoring with funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The EPA, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Park Service, and the U.S. Coast Guard use the data to gain a better understanding of the nature of marine debris and assess the effectiveness of current marine debris legislation, such as MARPOL.
- **Project AWARE Foundation:** International Cleanup Day events involve thousands of dive volunteers removing trash from more than 900 global dive locations in 100 countries and territories. Project AWARE coordinates the underwater portion of International Cleanup Day in cooperation with the Ocean Conservancy.
- **Clean Up Australia** is the nation’s largest community environmental organization. The first Clean Up Sydney Harbour Day in 1989 achieved an enormous public response with over 40,000 Sydneysiders donating their time and energy to clean-up their harbor. The next year Clean Up Australia Day was born. Over 300,000 volunteers turned out on the first Clean Up Australia Day and the numbers have risen ever since.

- **Clean Up the World:** The global outreach program of Clean Up Australia. Seeing the success of Clean Up Australia (established in 1989), UNEP made contact for taking the idea in a global context. After a lot of preparation and discussion, Clean Up the World was established in 1993, and UNEP has been the program partner of Clean Up Australia since then.
- **Fishing for Litter.** KIMO's Fishing for Litter scheme, has been hugely successful in encouraging fishermen to take ashore litter and abandoned, lost or discarded fishing gear (ALDFG) that they find during their normal fishing activities. The initiative has been implemented in Scotland, UK, Denmark, Sweden and Netherlands.
- **Adopt-a-Beach** in the United Kingdom is a national environmental initiative involving local communities in caring for their local coastal environment. Groups and individuals all over the U.K. are given the opportunity to adopt their favorite stretch of coast and take part in beach cleans and surveys to monitor coastal pollution.

 **Waste Management Activities & Recycling:**

There are some organizations and initiatives working towards resource efficiency and economic development through waste prevention (e.g. reduce, reuse, recycle) and material recovery. In addition, several organizations and initiatives have stressed the importance of improving waste management on land to prevent solid waste from entering the oceans in the first place. However, only few have integrated in their marine litter strategy solid waste management practices.

Some of those initiatives and organizations are presented below:

- **Waste Free Oceans (WFO)** is a ground breaking public-private foundation aimed at mobilizing and uniting the fisheries sector, public authorities and the international plastics industry in combating the growing issue of floating litter on the coastlines, at the rivers and in the seas.

The WFO foundation has started as a pilot project in Europe to encourage fishermen and the plastics

industry to work together on marine litter. It has evolved into worldwide actions and the joining of forces in cleanup operations on marine litter. WFO's aim is to raise awareness on the issue of marine litter, to work on educational campaigns and to continue WFO's pan-European and international projects of reducing and reusing the plastics waste from oceans and seas – closing the loops for a sustainable future.

- **Separation and recycling of materials from fishing trawl and nets (Denmark):** The project focus on developing a technology that makes it possible to recycle both plastic and steel from discarded fishing nets to new products. The core of the project is an advanced technology that can break, crush and sort different plastic fractions from fishing nets and compress the material again for more clean plastic particles. The same is possible for the steel, which is also part of the network. The processed plastic and steel can be sold again to new production.
- **Fishing Line Recycling in Hawaii:** Pacific Whale Foundation launched the first fishing line recycling program in the state of Hawai'i in late 2013. Fishing line is placed in bins by anglers who have had to cut their line or respool, as well as by the public who may find discarded line on the ground. Bins are emptied, on average, once every two weeks. The line is collected from the bin, cleaned of all algae, hooks and sinkers, and then shipped to Pure Fishing Inc. in Iowa. Pure Fishing Inc. melts down the line into plastic pellets, which are then used to make tackle boxes, fishing spools and other plastic materials
- **Global Partnership on Marine Litter (GPML):** One of the major aims of the **GPML** is to promote resource efficiency and economic development through waste prevention (e.g. 4Rs (reduce, reuse, recycle and re-design) and by recovering valuable material and/or energy from waste. At this direction, the GPML targets at practical demonstration projects within three main areas: Reducing the inflow of solid waste into the marine environment; Life cycle approach; Plastics recycling/redesign.

- **Ship to Shore Initiative:** The Canadian Plastics Industry Association (CPIA) helped sponsor “Ship to Shore,” a project that helps fisherfolk on Canada’s east coast reduce marine litter by bringing plastics and other wastes back to shore rather than dumping at sea. Ship to Shore addresses concerns regarding waste disposal practices at sea and the lack of waste management resources at fishing harbors. CPIA sponsored a ‘how to’ manual to help roll out similar programs across Canada.

- **Plastic Soup Foundation:** Plastic Soup Foundation has introduced a new solution to tackle this worldwide problem: Plastic Urban Mining. With Plastic Urban Mining the foundation help companies, educational institutions, governments and communities in the transition from a linear to a **circular economy** by managing the whole plastic cycle. From creating awareness & education to the development of products made out from the recycled plastic, Plastic Urban Mining is the all-in-one solution.

- **The Ocean Cleanup** is a foundation that develops technologies to extract plastic pollution from the oceans and prevent more plastic debris from entering ocean waters. The organization was founded in 2013 by Boyan Slat, a Dutch inventor-entrepreneur. The Ocean Cleanup has received over \$2.2 million in crowdfunding and financial contributions from large

- **OSPAR** is the mechanism by which 15 Governments & the EU cooperate to protect the marine environment of the North-East Atlantic. The OSPAR objective with regard to marine litter is “to substantially reduce marine litter in the OSPAR maritime area to levels where properties and quantities do not cause harm to the marine environment” by 2020. To fulfill this objective OSPAR 2014 agreed a Regional Action Plan (RAP) for Marine Litter for the period 2014-2021. The RAP contains 55 collective and national actions which aim to address both land-based and sea-based sources, as well as education and outreach and removal actions. The key action areas addressed in the RAP include:

- Port Reception Facilities
- Waste from fishing industry
- Fines for littering at sea
- Fishing for litter
- Abandoned and lost fishing gear
- Floating litter hotspots
- Education and outreach
- Improved waste management
- Sewage/stormwater run-off

sponsors including Salesforce.com chief executive Marc Benioff. The foundation’s headquarters are in the city of Delft, the Netherlands.

- **Global Marine Litter Initiative –Regional Sea Programs.** UNEP’s Regional Seas Programme, initiated in 1974, provides a legal, administrative, substantive and financial framework for the implementation of Agenda 21, and its chapter 17 on oceans.

UNEP’s Regional Seas Coordinating Office and the Global Programme of Action (GPA) have embarked on the development of a ‘global initiative on marine litter’ which provides a platform for the management of the marine litter problem. Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans are the main partners in implementing this Initiative. This is achieved through a range of activities aimed at the assessment on distribution and sources of marine debris, preparation of Regional Action Plans and waste management initiatives. 18 Regional Seas programs (Conventions and Action Plans) took part in the Global Initiative including Baltic Sea, Black Sea, Caspian Sea, East Asian Seas, Eastern Africa/West Indian Ocean, Mediterranean, Northeast Atlantic/ OSPAR, Northwest Pacific/NOWPAP, Red Sea and Gulf of Aden, South Asian Seas, Southeast Pacific/SPREP, and the Wider Caribbean/CEP.

- Reduction of single use items
 - Removal of micro plastics from products/zero pellet loss
 - Redesign of harmful products
- **Zero Pellet Lost Initiative:** To counter the pollution of coastlines and oceans, the trade associations PlasticsEurope Germany (plastics manufacturers) and the VCI (Chemical Industry Association) have founded the "Zero Pellet Loss" initiative. The aim is to minimize the loss of pellets or plastic granulates, throughout the process chain. RKW has joined this initiative together with several other companies.
 - **Healthy Seas** is a joint venture of a non-governmental organization and two businesses that share a common mission to clean the oceans and seas of marine litter such as derelict fishnets responsible for the needless death of marine animals and recycle them into high-quality raw material for brand new products such as socks, swimwear, carpets and other textiles.
 - **Bag it & Bin It Campaign** in the United Kingdom launched as a national initiative in 1995 by the National Bag It & Bin It Group. Members include the U.K. Environment Agency, Tidy Britain Group, Women's Environmental Network, Anglian Water, Northumbrian Water, North West Water, and the Department of the Environment. The aim of the Campaign is to solve the problem of protecting beaches and rivers from sanitary waste by spreading the message of a simple solution: "Bag It and Bin It - Don't Flush It".
 - **Marine litter Action Network** has been developing and taken forward during the past year the following waste management and Recycling projects:
 - Scrub It Out, encouraging companies to remove micro plastics from personal care product (MCS, with Fauna and Flora International)
 - A fishing gear working group (led by World Animal Protection)
 - A "sewage related debris in early education project" in Fife (MCS with Keep Scotland Beautiful and Fife Coast and Countryside Trust, funded by Zero Waste Scotland) leading to the development of the Cool Seas Investigators - Unflushables project
 - Gathering evidence for sources of litter (led by Thames 21 using the Thames as a case study)
 - Unflushables – water companies have been talking with businesses to see if there are ways, they can help customers understand why baby and face wipes should not make their way down the toilet (Water UK)
 - Cafe Accreditation Scheme (Eunomia)
 - Transforming Ocean Plastics into textiles (Riz Boardshorts)
 - **Monofilament Recovery & Recycling Program** is a statewide effort by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and its partners to educate the public on the problems caused by monofilament line left in the environment, to encourage recycling through a network of line recycling bins and drop-off locations and to conduct volunteer monofilament line cleanup events
 - **Your Bottle means Jobs:** The Carolina Plastics Recycling Council formed a Your Bottle Means Jobs campaign to get more of the 3 billion plastic bottles (150,000 tons) discarded each year in the Carolinas back into the production cycle.
 - **Surfers Against Sewage** is an NGO dedicated to improving the condition of surfing beaches. Initial actions were targeted on reducing raw sewage discharges into coastal waters. They have launched several initiatives to reduce

marine litter (targeted at surfers and other beach users). One of those is **Return to offender** – encouraging people who find identifiable items of beach litter to return these items to the manufacturer of the product (Freepost for the 12 most frequent 'offender' manufacturers). This is intended to encourage producer responsibility by challenging companies:

- To step up 'the anti-littering' message on their products
 - To look at using less harmful packaging to ensure products can be broken down naturally without putting wildlife at risk
 - To promote recycling and/or reuse wherever appropriate
 - To support community beach litter initiatives or anti-litter projects
- **Life Out Of Plastic SAC (L.O.O.P) – Peru:** This is an ongoing educational campaign in **coastal communities** of Peru through the sale of products derived from plastic recycling
 - The **LIFE DEBAG** project aims to develop and implement an integrated information and awareness-raising campaign for the prevention and reduction of plastic bag pollution in the marine environment in Greece.

Database/Mapping (Mobile Applications)

One of the substantial barriers to addressing marine litter is the absence of adequate scientific research, assessment, and monitoring. There is a gap in scientific research to better understand the sources, fates, and impacts of marine litter. Scalable, statistically rigorous and, where possible, standardized monitoring protocols are needed to monitor changes in conditions because of efforts to prevent and reduce the impacts of marine debris.

Monitoring of marine litter is currently carried out within several countries around the world mostly based on voluntary efforts by non-governmental organizations. There are several organizations holding databases on the amount and characteristics of plastic pollution and marine litter mainly from cleanup activities.

The current research has revealed that around 18% of the identified marine litter organizations (13 out of 71) hold their own database on marine litter and in few cases, information is also available on an online map.

The recent years, mobile applications have been developed to collect data through crowdsourcing by several organizations (about 7 cases) such as the Ocean Conservancy.

Ocean Conservancy holds a 30-year data set from the numerous clean activities at beaches, waterways and oceans which has been performed globally. As a result, this amassed data set is unparalleled in scope and scale. Through a new research partnership, a team from NOAA, Ocean Conservancy and CSIRO have set out to further advance scientific knowledge by using statistical tools to draw out additional insights from this data set, with the goal of establishing a first-ever debris density baseline for the United States.

Currently underway, this analysis elucidates temporal and spatial trends in marine debris that will help decision-makers develop more effective policies to confront the diverse challenge of marine debris. Additionally, the analysis strives to draw out inferences about causative factors – such as land use, population density and geographic elements – that drive differences in patterns among varying product types.

In addition to the above achievement a new application entitled "With Clean Swell™" was launched in 2015. The app join a global community working to improve our ocean by adding vital data to the world's largest database on marine debris. This database is used by scientists, conservation groups, governments and industry leaders to study ocean trash and take action to ensure trash never reaches beaches

Other cases are provided below:

- **International Pellet Watch** is a volunteer-based global monitoring program designed to monitor the pollution status of the oceans. Since its launch in 2005, ~ 80 groups and individuals from ~ 50 countries have been participating in this project to cover ~ 200 locations around the world. The initiative focusses on persistent organic pollutants (POPs) such as PCBs and organochlorine pesticides. Because of their bioaccumulative nature and adverse effects on marine organisms and humans, POPs are regulated by an international treaty (i.e., Stockholm Convention).
- The European Environment Agency has developed **Marine LitterWatch mobile app** to collect information on marine litter and strengthen Europe's knowledge base and thus provide support to European policy making. Marine LitterWatch is a citizen science-based app that aims to help fill data gaps in beach litter monitoring.
- Lack of adequate data on Research conducted within **PERSEUS program** has been organized to provide the necessary scientific and technical basis for further implementation of monitoring within the MSFD and knowledge to support reduction measures. Dedicated studies covered most aspects of marine litter, based on the collection of harmonized data on beaches, surface waters, deep sea floor and on micro-plastics in both the Mediterranean and Black Sea in view of developing new approaches based on visual observation of floating marine macro litter for monitoring purposes.

Research & Expeditions

Research on plastic pollution and marine litter focus mainly on: a) monitoring trends in litter to assess the effectiveness of mitigation measure and b) the alarming densities of microplastics found in the oceans.

15% of the identified organizations have set a research agenda combined in some cases with several expeditions.

- **Algalita Marine Research Foundation** is a pioneer in the study of plastic pollution. Algalita was the first to spearhead the research methodology for collecting and analyzing micro/macroplastic samples from the ocean. Since Captain Moore's 1997 discovery of the "plastic soup" in the North Pacific Gyre, the foundation has continued collecting samples through multiple expeditions in the North Pacific and around the world. In 2016, the foundation plan to publish a 15-year retrospective study evaluating the long-term trends and changes we have observed in the Gyre.
- **5 Gyres** is an organization aimed at reducing plastics pollution. They have traveling exhibits and summarize topic relevant research. Their traveling activities include stops at universities and educational discussions. 5 Gyres was one of two organizations that recently researched the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. They also presented their results at the Aquarium of the Pacific and have been cited as a source for estimating the size of the gyres.
- **Archipelagos Institute of Marine Conservation**, with head offices in Greece, runs research bases and stations on seven islands of the Aegean. The institute has conducted surveys to assess the extent of the distribution of microplastics in the Greek seas since 2009. The goal of Archipelagos was to identify the main source of influx of microplastics into the Aegean and verify whether they are indeed traveling through the food chain, from plankton to humans. Preliminary research in this area is still ongoing.

Financial and other support

Common sources of finance and support of the examined plastic pollution and marine litter organizations and initiatives are the followings:

- Donations (online or other)
- Voluntary support
- Sponsorship
- Membership fees

- National/Governmental Grants
- EU Funding
- Online Merchandise sales
- Funding be family foundations, enterprises/industry, banks

A “MAP” OF PLASTIC POLLUTION & MARINE LITTER INITIATIVES & ORGANIZATIONS

TABLE 9: A “MAP” OF PLASTIC POLLUTION & MARINE LITTER INITIATIVES

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1	Ad Hoc Open-Ended Expert Group on Marine Litter and Microplastics		Global		Policy-oriented			UNEP					
2	Adopt a beach	California, US	Statewide	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	2013	Ongoing	California Coastal Commission	-	Supported by volunteers (corporations, service and professional organizations and hundreds of California schools)	Headquarters & North Central Coast District Office/45 Fremont Street #2000, San Francisco, CA 94105	coast4u@coastal.ca.gov	(415) 904-5200
3	African Marine Waste Network	South Africa	National	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Campaign/Education/Share Knowledge	2016	Ongoing	Sustainable Seas Trust (SST)	DPI Plastics Indonesian Waste Platform DOW WBCSD Nelson Mandel Metropolitan University My Waste	Supported by sponsors and donations		info@sst.org.za	+27 76 608 3587
4	All One Ocean	California, US	Statewide	Awareness/Environmental education	educational beach cleanup stations		Ongoing	Earth Island Institute	1% for the planet;Rouse Foundation;Gopd Earth Natural Foods;Sierra Nevada;World Centric-ZeroWaste Solutions;Collared Greens;Innovia Films;Skull Island;Drive Current;The Ocean Foundation;Klean Kanteen;The wave	donations/voluntary support	All One Ocean PO Box 1164 Mill Valley, CA 94942-1164 510 859 9198	info@alloneocean.org	

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									company;Water Chef;Bay Ship & Yacht co; No typical moments;Lush Fresh homemade cosmetics;EO Products;SF Environment;Beat the MicroBead;Sports Basement;Horne Family Foundation				
5	Alliance to End Plastic Waste		Global	Awareness, Prevention	Changing behaviours/CleanUp/Product design, operational, research, education, communication and other	2019	Ongoing	Alliance to End Plastic Waste	Companies like Plug and play tech centre, Renew Oceans, Grameen creative lab, Project stop, Asase Foundation etc.	Private investors, development banks and governments			
6	Australian Marine Debris Initiative	Australia	National	Prevention/Mitigation	Campaign/Action/database/Monitoring/Education-Training/Clean Up	2004	Ongoing	Tangaroa Blue Foundation	on-ground network of volunteers, communities, organisations and agencies-Corporate Partners: Coastal Crunch/Dunlite/Getac/Johnson Ohana Foundation – USA/Ocean Grind/Phoenix Drinks/Wavelength	Supported by voluntary contribution/donation/online store/An extensive list of Supporting Partners.	Tangaroa Blue Foundation PO Box 757 Port Douglas, QLD 4877 Or Tangaroa Blue Foundation PO Box 1176 Margaret River, WA 6285	info@tangaroablue.org	0410 166 684

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7	Bag It and Bin It - Don't Flush it. (UK)	UK	National	Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Campaign, Management Waste	1995	7 years with national funding (up to 2002), but UK CEED maintained the website and the Marine Conservation Society (MCS) continues to raise awareness of the issue and educate the public through the campaign	The campaign was launched following discussions between South West Water, the Marine Conservation Society, Surfers Against Sewage and other organisations concerned about SRD in the water environment.	The campaign was "steered" by a national group, whose members included: Water UK Women's Environmental Network Surfers Against Sewage National Households Hazardous Waste Forum Marine Conservation Society Absorbent Hygiene Product Manufacturers Association EPC Environmental Services Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions Environment Agency	Yes, for first 7 years of the campaign, but unable to identify the funding source.	Bonny Hartley, Plymouth University, UK	bonny.hartley@plymouth.ac.uk	
8	Baltic Clean Cup	Baltics	Baltics	Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	2019	only 2019	Baltcf	Mes Darom (Lithuania), Latvian Green Movement (Latvia), World Cleanup Day (Estonia), Let's do it! Denmark (Denmark) Let's do it! Finland (Finland), JCI Germany (Germany), Stowarzyszenie Kulturalne Tradycja (Poland), Let's do it! Sweden (Sweden) Russia Clean Games,	IPO "Clean Games"	dima@cleangames.ru	-	

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									Let's do it!, UBC				
9	Beachwatch UK	UK	National	Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaigns	-	Ongoing	Marine Conservation Society	UK citizens/Beachwatch Organisers	Supported by volunteers/online sales of merchandise products	Marine Conservation Society, Overcross House, Ross Park, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire, HR9 7US		01989 566017
10	Beat the MicroBead	The Netherlands	National	Prevention/Awareness	Monitoring/Innovation	2012	Ongoing	Plastic Soup Foundation and the North Sea Foundation	100 NGOs from 42 countries and regions are supporting this campaign			-	
11	Bioplastic Feedstock Alliance		Global	Product design, operational,	research, awareness-raising and education			WWF, the Coca-Cola Company, Danone, Ford Motor Company, Nestle, P&G, Unilever, the LEGO Group, McDonald's Corporation, PepsiCo, Keurig Dr Pepper and Target Corporation					

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12	Blue Flag Programme	Denmark	Global	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Information-Education/Eco-label-Monitoring/Management	2001	Ongoing	Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE).	Blue Flag National Operators /Institutional partners: UNESCO, UNEP, UNWTO, ISESCO, YMP and Earth Charter	Different funding sources in different countries/membership	Scandiagade 13, 2450 Copenhagen SV, DENMARK/Sophie Bacht Granados International Blue Flag Director OR KIMO International 8 North Ness Business Park Lerwick Shetland ZE1 0LZ UK	info@fee.global/so phie@fee.global OR Email: info@kimo.shetland.org	+45 70 22 24 27/+45 6124 8081 OR Tel: +44 1595 744807
13	Blue Lid Campaign	Turkey	National	Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Practice/ Activity/ Recover Plastic Bottle Lids /Campaign	2010 & 2011	2 years & Ongoing	Faculty of Dentistry, Ege University The Spinal Cord Paralytics Association of Turkey (NGO)	Recycling companies, supermarkets, municipalities, private corporations, post office, schools, malls, general public.	No financial support. Lids are transported to repositories via postal service or trucks of sponsoring companies such as supermarket chains.	Bülent Başoğlu- Chief of Project Team (Ege University Faculty of Dentistry)/ Ramazan Kahveci- Project Coordinator (Turkey Spinal Cord Injury Association	Ramazan Kahveci- Project Coordinator (Turkey Spinal Cord Injury Association) www.kapaktoplama.com	
14	Boating Clean & Green Campaign	California, US	Statewide	Prevention/Awareness	Shipping/Recreational Boating/Research/Education/Technical Assistance	1997	Ongoing	California Division of Boating and Waterways and the California Coastal Commission.	-	funding from several federal, state and local agencies including: the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB), the Environmental Protection Agency, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration,	Vivian Matuk OR One Capitol Mall, Suite 500, Sacramento CA 95814	vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov OR pubinfo@parks.ca.gov	(415) 904-6905 OR 1-888-326-2822

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										Contra Costa County Public Works and staff support from the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission			
15	Break Free from Plastic		Global	Awareness	Policy-oriented, operational, education and communication	2016	Ongoing	Break Free from Plastic	9102 individuals & 1838 organizations				
16	Break the Bag Habit Campaign	UK	National	Prevention/Awareness, Recovery	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign/CleanUp	2012	Ongoing	Surfers Against Sewage	Keep Britain Tidy, The Marine Conservation Society and the Campaign To Protect Rural England,Thames 21 and Green-upon-Thames	Supported by volunteers	Wheal Kitty Workshops, St Agnes, Cornwall, UK, TR5 0RD	info@sas.org.uk	01872 553001
17	California Coastal Clean Up Day	California, US	Statewide	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	1985	once a year	California Coastal Commission /The Ocean Conservancy	-	Supported by volunteers, such as ORACLE, Ocean Observatory etc.	Headquarters & North Central Coast District Office/45 Fremont Street #2000, San Francisco, CA 94105	coast4u@coastal.ca.gov	(415) 904-5200
18	California's Marine Protected Area Network	California, US	Statewide	Awareness/Environmental education	Policy/Education/Enforcement/ Research	2012	Ongoing	California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)	host of government, non-government and state partners including the Ocean Protection Council (OPC)		CDFW Headquarters 1416 9th Street, 12th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 Mailing: P.O. Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94244-2090		(916) 445-0411

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19	Campaign to reduce the distribution of free plastic bags	Portugal	National	Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Campaign	2008	Ongoing	NGO QUERCUS	Policy makers Political parties Supermarkets General Public	No	Isabel Palma Fundação da Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia da Universidade Nova de Lisboa OR Headquarters and Secretariat of the National Directorate Address: Centro Associativo do Calhau Bairro do Calhau Parque Florestal de Monsanto 1500-045 LISBON	i.palma@campus.fct.unl.pt OR quercus@quercus.pt	+351 217 788 474
20	Clean C	South Africa	Cape Town beaches	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Campaign/Education/CleanUp/Projects	2016	Ongoing	-	Many organizations		9 Monza Rd, Unit1, Killarney Gardens, Cape Town	greg@cleanc.co.za	082 873 1962
21	Clean Cities, Blue Ocean	Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean	Regional: Dominican Republic, Indonesia, Maldives, Peru, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Vietnam	Awareness	Education			USAID				info@cleancitiesblueocean.org	

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22	Clean Europe Network	Belgium	European	Prevention/Improve Litter Management in land/Awareness	Sharing Know-How/Technical Assistance	2013	Ongoing	European Litter Prevention Association	10 EU Member States and Switzerland are represented in this Network	strong backing of the European Commission and is financially supported by the Commission's environmental programme, Life Plus/Donation/supported by individuals and enterprises	Avenue Livingstone 13-15, 1000 Brussels, BELGIUM.		
23	Clean Ocean Project	Fuerteventura	Island Fuerteventura, Canary islands and abroad	Protection of oceans, waves and beaches	CleanUp/Projects/Education	2000	Ongoing	Wim Geirnaert		Through donations	https://www.facebook.com/CleanOceanProject/		
24	Clean Seas Campaign		Global	Awareness	CleanUp, Education and communication, Operational	2017	Ongoing	UNEP	Governments, companies, individuals				
25	Clean Up Israel	Israel	National	Mitigation/Awareness	Campaign/Clean Up	2000	one week once a year	Australian Jewish businessman Phillip Foxman	business sponsors, schools and other educational institutes (Member of the Clean Up the World Initiative)	Volunteers Contributions/Donations/Supporters: Clean up the World United Nations Environment Programme Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Australian Israel Cultural Exchange Israel-Australia, New Zealand & Oceania Chamber of Commerce		info@cleanupisrael.org.il	

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										Zionist Federation of Australia Maccabi Australia Hakoah Club The Great Synagogue Sydney The Central Synagogue			
26	Clean Up South Africa	South Africa	National	Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaigns	once per year	Ongoing	CAPE KWAZULU NATAL GAUTENG MPUMALANG A FREE STATE UNDERWATER	-	Supported by Volunteers	Dianne Blumberg	dianne.blumberg@plasticssa.co.za	
27	CleanSea -Project	EU	European	Dissemination/Awareness/Prevention	characterization and analysis of the marine litter problem /tools & protocols/Measure/Policy options	2013	-	VU University Amsterdam, Institute for Environmental studies	17 partners from 11 EU countries- Stakeholders:Policy makers, MSFD implementers, business people, scientists, industries, and civil society will be part of the broad spectrum of stakeholders from across Europe	EC contribution	Dr.Heather Leslie	helther.leslie@vu.nl	
28	Clear Blue Sea	San Diego	Global	Cleanse the Oceans/Awareness					government, private companies, other nonprofits, and the public		7939 Silverton Avenue, #807 San Diego, CA 92126	susanb@clearbluesea.org , jgotttdank@clearbluesea.org , admin@clearbluesea.org	

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29	Clear the Coast	Canada	National	Mitigation/Awareness	Campaign/Action/CleanUp/Online map-database	1998	Ongoing	Living Oceans Society	volunteers	Supported by voluntary contribution/donations/Partial funding was provided by the Vancouver Aquarium Tsunami Debris Management Program,	Sointula Office:PO Box 320 Sointula, BC, VoN 3E0 Canada Vancouver Office #2000 - 355 Burrard Street Vancouver, BC, V6C 2G8 Canada	info@livingoceans.org	250-973-6580 604-696-5044
30	Close the Plastic Tap Programme	Switzerland	Africa / Asia / Pacific / Europe and Central Asia	Awareness	Policy-oriented, operational, research, education and communication			International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)					
31	Closed-Loop Solutions	Australia	Australia, New Zealand and the UK	Resource Recovery, Awareness	Product design and operational	1995	Ongoing	TerraCycle			MELBOURNE Level 1, 40 Albert Road South Melbourne Victoria, 3205, Australia		61 3 9684 4600 1300 762 166
32	Coast Care Program	Australia	National	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	1995	Ongoing	Australian Government	community volunteer group made up/and Landcare Australian group.	Landcare Australia Grants	Landcare Australia – Sydney (Head Office) Level 1, 6 Help St Chatswood NSW 2067		02 9412 1040
33	Cutting River Plastic Waste	Santa Barbara, UC	Global	Awareness	Operational, research, clean-up, and education, Campaign	2019	Ongoing	Benioff Ocean Initiative and the Coca-Cola Foundation			UC Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA 93106	boi-contact@ucsb.edu	

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34	Dive Against Debris	California, US	Global	Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign, collection/Clean-up Data	2011	Ongoing	Project AWARE Foundation	Scuba Divers	Individual and corporate donations as well as grants.	United States Office: 30151 Tomas, Suite 200 Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688 +1 949-858-7657 United Kingdom Office: The Pavilions Bridgwater Road Bristol BS13 8AE United Kingdom +44 117-300-7313 Australia Office: Unit 3, 4 Skyline Place Frenchs Forest, Sydney, NSW, 2086 Australia +61 2-9454-2890	-	+1 949-858-7657
35	End Plastic Pollution	UN	Global	Behavioral change/Awareness	Campaigns/CleanUps	1970	Ongoing	Earth Day	more than 75,000 partners in over 190 countries to drive positive action for our planet		1752 N. Street NW Suite 700 Washington, DC 20036	info@earthday.org	+1 (202) 518-0044

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36	EPA Vessel Sewage Discharge Program	Washington DC, US	National	Prevention	Shipping/Recreational Boating/Guidelines	-	Ongoing	EPA	-	-	Katherine Weiler/USEPA Headquarters 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Mail Code: 4504T Washington, DC 20004 Mike Pletke, mike.pletke@navy.mil Chief of Naval Operations (N45) 2000 Navy Pentagon (Rm 2D253) Washington, DC 20350-2000	weiler.katherine@pa.gov OR mike.pletke@navy.mil	
37	European Week for Waste Reduction	EU	European	Awareness/Prevention	Clean up/awareness-raising actions	2009	One week a year	Coordinators are public authorities across Europe that have competence in the field of waste management	ACR+, the Association of Cities and Regions for Recycling and sustainable Resource management; AICA, the International Association for Environmental Communication (Italy); ARC, the Catalan Waste Agency (Catalonia, Spain); IBGE-BIM, Brussels Environment (Belgium); NWMD, the National Waste Management Directorate for Hungary	EU funding/Project Co-financer: ADEME, The French Environment and Energy Management Agency	-	contact@ewwr.eu	32022346500

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38	eXXpedition		Global	Awareness	Research, education, communication and other	2014	Ongoing	eXXpedition	Companies, impact partners, official suppliers and Science & Tech Partners such as Travel Edge, TOMRA, Red Ensign Group, Rothys, Copernicus Marine Service, navarino, SAP etc.			info@exxpedition.com	
39	Fishing for Energy	Washington DC, US	National	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/ Recycling/ Innovation/Management	2008	Ongoing	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF)	NOAA Marine Debris Program, Covanta(link is external), the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation(link is external) (NFWF), and Schnitzer Steel Industries(link is external),	Major funding for the Fishing for Energy partnership is provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Covanta Corporation. Additional in-kind support is provided by Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.	Jennie Dean Manager, Marine Conservation ;NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 1133 15th Street, NW Suite 1100 Washington, DC 20005 202-857-0166	jennie.dean@nfwf.org	202-595-2469
40	Fishing for Litter	Denmark	International (Scotland, South West England, Netherlands, Spain, Belgium, Germany, Norway, Ireland, Faroe Islands)	Reduction/Mitigation/Prevention	CleanUp	2004	Ongoing	KIMO	fishing industry	KIMO directly provides fishing boats with large bags to deposit marine sourced litter	President Mr Karsten Filsø Holstebro Kommune Rådhuset Kirkestræde 11 7500 Holstebro	Karsten.Filsoe@holstebro.dk	0045 51 83 82 34

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41	Fishing for Litter in Germany	Germany	National	Mitigation/Awareness	Practice/Action/CleanUp Activity/	2011	Ongoing	NABU Nature and Biodiversity Conservation Union Germany	Fishermen & their associations, port authorities, regional waste industries, federal environmental authorities, waste recovery industries	Initial funding in 2010/11 by Environmental Ministry BMU Germany and Federal Environment Agency (UBA). Since 2013 funding by Environmental Ministry Lower Saxony for 2 years to extend the project with regional authorities on the North Sea coast. Support by DSD – Der Grüne Punkt Deutschland - by covering the waste analysis.	Dr. Kim Cornelius Detloff Head of Marine Conservation	Kim.Detloff@nabu.de	
42	Fishing Line Recycling in Hawaii	Hawaii, US	Statewide	Recycling/Awareness	Action/Collection	2013	Ongoing	Pacific Whale Foundation	-	Pacific Whale Foundation is funded through fundraising events, grants, corporate gifts, memberships, donations from supporters Global, and profits from merchandise sales and educational ocean eco-cruises.	300 Maalaea Rd #100 96793 Wailuku	-	(800) 942-5311

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43	Florida Clean Marina Program	Florida, US	Statewide	Prevention/Awareness	Shipping/Recreational Boating/Technical Support	2000	Ongoing	Florida Department of Environmental Protection	-	-	FLORIDA CLEAN MARINA PROGRAM 3900 Commonwealth Blvd. MS #30 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400/Brenda Leonard OR 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000	Brenda.Leonard@dep.state.fl.us OR public.services@dep.state.fl.us	850-245-2100 OR 850-245-2118
44	Friends of the Earth	UK	UK	Awareness	Campaigns/Education/Policy	1971	Ongoing			Friends of the Earth Charitable Trust.	the Printworks, 139 Clapham Rd, LONDON, SW9 0HP		020 7490 1555
45	G20 Implementation Framework for Actions on Marine Plastic Litter	Hamburg Summit			Policy-oriented and operational	2017	-	The Group of 20 (G20)					
46	GESAMP Working groups 40 and 43		Global		Research, education and communication			Joint Group of Experts on the Scientific Aspects of Marine Environmental Protection (GESAMP)					
47	GESAMP's Work Programme	UK	Global	Provide Scientific Advice to UN	Studies/Reviews	1969	Ongoing	Group of Experts/ Executive Committee	UN agencies IMO, FAO, UNESCO-IOC, WMO, IAEA, UN, UNDP, UNEP, and UNIDO,	jointly sponsored by the nine UN organizations	International Maritime Organization (IMO) 4 Albert Embankment London SE1 7SR United Kingdom	theoffice@gesamp.org	+44 (0) 20 7735 7611

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48	Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives' Initiatives	Philippines	Global	Awareness	Policy-oriented, operational, education and communication	2000	Ongoing	Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives (GAIA)	participation of 80 people and 23 countries		Unit 330, Eagle Court Condominium 26 Matalino Street Barangay Central Quezon City, Philippines 1100		+632 436 4733
49	Global Alliance of Waste Pickers Initiatives	Bogota, Colombia	Global	Awareness	Operational, and clean-up	2008	Ongoing	Global Alliance of Waste Pickers				https://www.facebook.com/GlobalRec	
50	Global Ghost Gear Initiative	Global	Global	Mitigation/Awareness	Fisheries/Best Practices/Policy	2015	Ongoing	-	fishing industry, the private sector (46), academia, governments (16), intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations (59)	-	-		
51	Global Initiative on Marine Litter	Kenya	Global	Awareness/Building Knowledge/Monitoring	Development of substantive guidelines and recommended policies/ Regional Action Plans/Campaigns	1974	Ongoing	UNEP's Regional Seas Coordinating Office and the Global Programme of Action (GPA)	Other partners in the initiative include, government representatives, United Nations bodies, donor agencies and organisations, the private sector and NGOs.	-	Regional Seas Programme United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) P.O. Box 30552 Nairobi, 00100 Kenya	regionalseas@unep.org	[+254] 20 762 4033
52	Global Partnership on Marine Litter	Kenya	Global	Prevention/Mitigation/Enhance International Cooperation/Awareness	Campaign/PPPs/Networks/Online Platform/Demonstration Projects	2012	2025 (date of completion)	UNEP through the GPA provides the Secretariat for the GPML	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) • International Maritime Organization (IMO) • International Solid Waste Association • Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment - Netherlands 	Volunteers Contributions in the form of financial support, in-kind contributions and/or technical expertise.	Maaikje Jansen /Heidi Savelli OR Global Partnership on Marine Litter Secretariat United Nations Environment Programme UN Avenue, Nairobi.	gpa@unep.org OR secretariat@gpml.org	

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									<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) • US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) 				
53	Global Partnership on Waste Management	Japan	Global	Awareness/Resource Conservation	Globalnetwork/Demonstration Projects /Regional Marine Litter Initiatives	2010	2025 (date of completion)	UNEP's Division of Environmental Policy Implementation (DEPI)	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) International Solid Waste Association (ISWA) International Telecommunication Union (ITU) The Basel Convention Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific (BCRC China)	Volunteers Contributions in the form of financial support, in-kind contributions and/or technical expertise.	Mahesh Pradhan, Senior Programme Officer Shunichi Honda, Programme Officer Azumi Nishikawa, Programme Assistant United Nations Environment Programme International Technology Centre 2-110 Ryokuchi koen Tsurumi-ku, Osaka 538-0036 Japan	ietc@unep.org	+81-6-6915-4581
54	Global Tourism Plastics Initiative	Spain	Global	Awareness	Operational, education		Ongoing	Sustainable Tourism Programme of the One Planet Network (UNEP, World Tourism Organization and the Ellen	NGOs and companies like, ABTA, ACCOR, WWF, TRAVEL WITHOUT PLASTIC etc.			oneplanetstp@unwto.org	

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								MacArthur Foundation)					
55	Gulf of Mexico Alliance: Marine Debris Cross-Team Initiative	Mexico, US	Statewide	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Campaign/Research/Action	2004	Ongoing	Gulf State Governors	State partners/Federal Partners/ non-governmental partners, such as academic organizations, non-profit organizations, and businesses	grants	Kim Albins (Team Facilitator) National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Doug Jacobson (Team Facilitator) Environmental Protection Agency	Kimberly.albins@noaa.gov Jacobson.doug@epa.gov	
56	Healthy Seas, a Journey from Waste to Wear'	The Netherlands	Regional (North Sea/Adriatic Sea/Mediterranean Sea)	Recovery/Prevention/Recycling/Awareness	Regeneration of products/ Education/ Campaigns/ Recycling	2013	Ongoing	ECNC Group/Aquafil Group/Star Sock	ECNC-European Centre for Nature Conservation (Tilburg, NL) and commercial partners from various European waste management and manufacturing industries like Aquafil (Italy), Starsock (NL), Desso (NL), Interface (NL), Nofir (Norway), Fonda (SV), Verter (IT) + Other stakeholders: divers, fisheries, NGOs, governments, communities as well as salvage, recycling and production companies.	Crowdfunding campaign in Netherlands and Belgium/Donations/Associate Partner Donor: Gemaco/Egersund Group/Verter/NoFir	PO Box 90154 5000 LG Tilburg the Netherlands Veronika Mikos Director	ecnc@ecnc.org OR veronika.mikos@healthyseas.org	0031 (0)13 5944 944 OR +31 63048079 5
57	Hold Norge Rent	Norway	National	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	2004	Ongoing	Norwegian Waste Management and Recycling	38 members	Membership fees, sponsorships, government grants and private donations make	Hold Norge Rent Øvre Vollgate 6 0158 Oslo	post@holdnorgere.no	

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								Association		up Keep Norway Beautiful's financial base			
58	IAGC Marine Debris & Ghost Net Initiative	Texas,US	Statewide	Awareness	Campaign/Report	-	Ongoing	more than 150 member companies	geophysical industry	Reporting on volunteer basis	1225 North Loop West - Suite 220, Houston, TX, 77008 USA	info@iagc.org	(713) 957-8080
59	Implementation of MARPOL Annex V in Cyprus	Cyprus	National	Prevention	Policy/Regulation Implementation	1998	On-going	National Government, Department of Merchant Shipping	None	No	Mr. Ioannis Efstratiou, Senior Marine Surveyor, Department of Merchant Shipping	jefstratiou@dms.mcw.gov.cy	+35725848273
60	Indirect Fee System for the Collection of ship Waste in Cyprus	Cyprus	National	Prevention	Policy/Regulation Implementation	2005	On-going	Cypriot Government	Port Authority	Cypriot Government initially but it is self-funded.	Petros Dias, Environmental Officer, Cyprus Port Authority	petros@cpa.gov.cy	
61	Indonesian Waste Platform	Indonesia	National	Awareness	Innovation/Platform	2015	Ongoing	Charlotte Verburg, Indonesian Waste Monitoring & Database Coordinator	Companies •Government •Universities / researchers •NGO's Indonesian and international •Community leaders and religious leaders •Fishing communities •Media •Individuals	-	Charlotte Verburg, Indonesian Waste Monitoring & Database Coordinator /Nina van Toulon	nina@indonesianwaste.org	+62 81353446507
62	International Coastal CleanUp	Washington DC, US	Global	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	1984	Ongoing	Ocean Conservancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Norton Point (an eyewear brand based on the island of Martha's Vineyard, MA) • The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) • Brunswick, a leader in the marine industry 	supported from private sector partners by directly invested in efforts to solve challenges as sponsors, from on line donation and volunteering efforts	1300 19th Street, NW, 8th Floor, Washington, DC 20036		+1 800.519.1541

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									• Bank of America's Ocean Commitment				
63	International Pellet Watch	Japan	Global	Awareness/Monitoring	Collection of pellets from beaches/Global Pollution Map/Research	2005	Ongoing	Laboratory of Organic Geochemistry, Prof. Hideshige Takada, Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology, Fuchu, Tokyo, Japan	Volunteers-80 groups and individuals from ~ 50 countries have been participating in this project to cover ~ 200 locations around the world.	financially supported by Mitsui & Co., Ltd. Environment Fund (project 71-057)/Volunteers contribution	Laboratory of Organic Geochemistry, Prof. Hideshige Takada, Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology, Fuchu, Tokyo 183-8509, Japan	shige@cc.tuat.ac.jp	
64	INTERPOL's initiatives	France	Global	Enforcement				INTERPOL					
65	ISWA Marine Litter Task Force Initiatives	Austria	Global	Awareness, Prevention	Policy-oriented, operational, research, cleanup, education and communication	2017	Ongoing	International Solid Waste Association (ISWA)	Companies like AVFALL SVERIGE, Avfall Norge, eon, VEOLI, NVRD	Lipor, Expra, VASYO, Renova Miljo, DAKOFA	ISWA Task Force on Marine Litter Auerspergstrasse 15, Top 41 1080 Wien, Austria	marinelitter@iswa.org	+43 1 253 6001
66	Keep Britain Tidy	UK	National	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Anti-litter Campaign	1954	Ongoing	National Federation of Women's Institutes	It has more than 100,000 supporters engaged – these include active citizens working in their local communities handing out anti-litter posters and leaflets, local groups undertaking Big Tidy Up events, Green Flag, Blue Flag and Seaside Awards volunteers, judges and	Supported by volunteers/donations/other grants and contributions	Helen Waine	helen.waine@keepbritaintidy.org	01942 612628

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									professionals, Eco-Schools assessors and eco-committee contacts and many more				
67	Keep Sweden Tidy	Sweden	National	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign/Education	1983	Ongoing	Swedish Environmental Protection Agency and the company Returpack	-	receives wide support from other non-profit organizations, associations, national and local authorities, as well as from the business and public sectors	Stiftelsen Håll Sverige Rent Box 4155 102 Stockholm/Johanna Ragnartz CEO Head of Communications	info@hsr.se/johanna.ragnartz@hsr.se/joakim.brodahl@hsr.se	+46 (0) 08-505 263 00 /+46 (0)76-941 01 89
68	Keep the Mediterranean Litter Free Campaign	Mediterranean	Regional	Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign	2008	Ongoing	MIO-ECSDE, the Hellenic Marine Environment Protection Association (HELMEPA) and Clean-up Greece	Educators and students, seafarers and staff of ships' managing companies, national and local authorities, port authorities, 130 NGOs/25 countries and civil society at large.	MIO-ECSDE, HELMEPA and Clean-up Greece, UNEP/MAP MEDPOL	Thomais Vlachogianni, MIO-ECSDE, Programme Officer	vlachogianni@mio-ecsde.org OR info@mio-ecsde.org	+ 30 210 3247490
69	Kuna Yala project	Pennsylvania,US	Global	Awareness (Cross-cutting), Prevention	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign	2005	Ongoing	Lighthouse Foundation	Balu Uala (Kuna Yala NGO), Centro de Investigación, Educación y Manejo en Recursos Naturales, Local fishermen and common people of the Kuna Yala islands	US\$ 86.880 by the Lighthouse Foundation	Padraig Nolan, EuPC	Padraig.Nolan@eu.pc.org	

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70	Let's do it World!	Estonia	Global	Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign/CleanUP	2009	Annually, one day a year	Let's Do It Foundation in Estonia	-	Supported by volunteers	Anca Gheorghe, Project Assistant Mare Nostrum NGO	anca_gheorghe@marenostrum.ro	0040 726 753644
71	Life Cycle Initiative	USA	Global	Awareness	Policy-oriented, product design, operational and communication	2012	Ongoing	UNEP			Life Cycle Initiative 1 rue Miollis Building VII 75015 Paris, France	info@lifecycleinitiative.org	=33*(0)*1 44371984
72	Life Out Of Plastic SAC (L.O.O.P)	Peru	National	Awareness	educational campaigns in coastal communities through the sale of products derived from plastic recycling	2011	Ongoing	led by women	-	voluntary support	NADIA BALDUCCI IRENE HOFMEIJER	info@lifeoutofplastic.com OR hello@loop.pe	9 8 7 9 7 6 6 5 6
73	Litterati		Global	Mobile app, Awareness	Research, clean-up and communication, Mobile app		Ongoing	Litterati	182.933 members, 32 global partners & challenges		Jeff Kirschner		
74	Ma il mare non vale una cicca?- Marevivo	Italy	National	Awareness/Prevention	Action/CleanUp/Environmental education	1985	Ongoing	Marivo (NGO)	-	-	Lungotevere Arnaldo da Brescia Scalo de Pinedo 00196 Roma	marevivo@marevivo.it	+39 06 3222565 – 3202949
75	Making Oceans Plastic Free	Indonesia and Germany	Global	Awareness, Prevention	Product design, research, clean-up, communication		Ongoing	Making Oceans Plastic Free	Companies and organizations like GREENPEACE, OCEANCARE etc.			hello@nextwaveplastics.org	
76	Malaysian Plastics Forum (MPF): Don't be a Litterbug campaign	Malaysia	National	Mitigation/Awareness	Campaign	2005(Forum)-2012 (Campaign)	Ongoing	Malaysian Petrochemicals Association-Plastics Resins Producers Group (MPA-PRPG) and the Malaysian Plastics Manufacturers Association (MPMA).	Sri Maha Mariamman Temple Dhevasthanam/Hinda Youth Organisation/minnal	Supporters/Volunteers		www.facebook.com/Dontbealitterbug	

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77	Marine Litter Action Network	EU	European	Prevention/Resource Recovery/Awareness	Resource Recovery and prevention projects	2014	Ongoing	Marine Conservation Society	members, MLAN has a potential reach of over 1.7 million individuals, 38 thousand volunteers and over 11 thousand companies, groups and organizations.			info@mcsuk.org	01989 566017
78	Marine Litter Watch	EU	European	strengthen Europe's knowledge base /Awareness/Prevention	Mobile Application	2014	Ongoing	European Environment Agency	-	EC contribution	Kongens Nytorv 6 1050 Copenhagen K	-	(+45) 33 36 71 00
79	Marine Litter: the facts	UK	Global	Prevent Pollution	Information/Awareness/Solutions		Ongoing	British Plastics Federation			6 Bath Place Rivington Street London, EC2A 3JE	-	020 7457 5000
80	Mediterranean Action Plan	Greece	Regional (Mediterranean)	Prevention	Implementation of specific pollution reduction measures and interventions.	1975	2025	UNEP	The 22 Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention are: Albania, Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, the European Community, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Lebanon, Libya, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Slovenia, Spain, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey.	MTF Ordinary Contributions /EU Voluntary Contribution /Greek host government contribution	United Nations Environment Programme / Coordinating Unit for the Mediterranean Action Plan UNEP/MAP 48, Vassileos Konstantinou Ave. 11635 Athens Greece	-	+30 210 7273100
81	Minderoo Foundation Initiatives	Australia	Global	Awareness	Operational, product design, research, and education			Minderoo Foundation	The university of Western Australia				

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82	Mission 2.Ocean	Rhodes Island, US	National	awareness about plastic packaging pollution and increase recycling	support a wide range of efforts and organizations on both the local and global levels who share our goals to reduce ocean plastic pollution through prevention, innovation, education, science and action based clean-up efforts	2002	Ongoing	Michael Brown – Founder			Packaging2.o/Mission2.Ocean Michael Brown 10 Davol Square, Unit 100 Providence, RI 02903		401.225.0190
83	Mitigating short-lived climate pollutants from the municipal solid waste sector	France	Regional (Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean)	Awareness, Prevention	Policy-oriented, operational, clean-up, education and communication	2018	Ongoing	Climate & Clean Air Coalition	Companies from State and Non-State Partners		1 Rue Miollis, Building VII 75015 Paris France Sandra Mazo-Nix , Municipal Solid Waste Initiative Coordinator	secretariat@ccacoalition.org Sandra.Mazo-Nix@un.org	(+33) 1 44 37 14 73
84	Monofilament Recovery & Recycling Program	Florida, US	Statewide	Recycling/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	1999	Ongoing	State of Florida	Berkley Pure Fishing Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Brevard County Natural Resources Volusia County Environmental Management Ocean Conservancy U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Florida Sea Grant MOTE Marine Lab Dolphin Research Center Stormwater Management Academy Save the Manatee Club	The program was initiated with funding from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Advisory Council for Environmental Education and involves partnerships as the key to its success./Volunteer contribution	Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Division of Marine Fisheries Management 2590 Executive Center Cir. E., Suite 204 Tallahassee, FL 32301		(850) 487-0554

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									University of Central Florida Federation of Fly Fishers Boat US Line Off Global Underwater Explorers				
85	New Plastics Economy Global Commitment		Global	Awareness, Prevention	Product design and operational	2019	Ongoing	Ellen MacArthur Foundation in collaboration with UNEP	Companies and foundations such as ASOS, WWF, PEPSICO, Apple etc.			https://www.newplasticseconomy.org/contact	
86	NextWave Plastics		Global	Awareness	Operational, product design		Ongoing	Member-driven, convened by Lonely Whale	Companies like IKEA, hp, DELL, TREK etc.				
87	NOAA Marine Debris Program	Washington DC, US	International (Alaska, California, Caribbean, Great Lakes, Gulf of Mexico, Mid-Atlantic, N	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Research/Campaign/CleanUp/Support local projects	2005	Ongoing	NOAA	partnership with state and local agencies, tribes, non-governmental organizations, academia, and industry (Fishing for Energy is one such Partnership)	The MDP has stationed staff in several locations throughout the country to manage, support, and coordinate marine debris activities /congressionally directed funds	Leadership\ Nancy Wallace, Director/MaryLee Haughwout, Deputy Director	marinedebris.web@noaa.gov nancy.wallace@noaa.gov marylee.haughwout@noaa.gov	

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			ortheast, Pacific Islands, Pacific Northwest, Southwest)										
88	Ocean Conservancy	Washington	Global	Awareness	education, communication and other, Policy-oriented, product design, operational, clean-up, research	1972	Ongoing	Ocean Conservancy	Coca-Cola, CVS Health, Breitling 1884 etc.		Washington Office 1200 Old Fairhaven Pkwy, Suite 207 Bellingham, WA 98225	memberservices@oceanconservancy.org	800-519-1541
89	Ocean Initiatives	France	European	Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	1995	Ongoing	Surfrider Foundation Europe	4 media partners and 11 operational partners	Receiving funding from foundations/enterprises/supported by volunteers/donations	33 allée du Moura, 64200 Biarritz	oceaninitiatives@surfrider.eu	+33 (0)5 59 01 61 52
90	Ocean Plastics Charter	Canada	EU, France, Germany, Italy & the UK at the G7 Summit	Awareness	Policy-oriented, operational, product design, research, clean-up, education, communication	2019	signed	Group of Seven (G7)	Besides IUCN, the Charter has now been signed by more than 20 countries and over 50 businesses and organisations around the world				
91	Oceana	U.S.	Global	Awareness/Education	Campaigns/Cleanups	2001	Ongoing	The Pew Charitable Trusts, Oak Foundation, Marisla Foundation (formerly Homeland Foundation),				https://www.facebook.com/oceana	

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								Sandler Foundation, and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund					
92	OceanGybe-Garbage Study	Canada	Global	Awareness	Research/Expedition/Education	2007	Ongoing	Surfers (Individuals)	-	Supporters:Surfrider Foundation/Sitka Surfboards/Sailors for the Sea/Donations	#310, 101 East 29th St North Vancouver BC Canada V7N1C5	Ryan: ryanjrobertson@gmail.com Bryson: bryson.robertson@gmail.com Hugh: hugh@oceangybe.com	
93	Operation Clean Sweep - Plastic Pellet Loss Prevention Manual and Pledge	UK	National	Awareness, Prevention	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign	2009	Ongoing	British Plastics Federation, American Chemistry Council's Plastics Division and the Society of the Plastics Industry.	Companies within the plastic industry	Private companies	BPF House 6 Bath Place Rivington Street, London EC2A 3JE	reception@bpf.co.uk	+44 (0) 20 7457 5000
94	Operation Clean Sweep -pellet containment program	USA	Global	Prevention/Zero waste	Campaign-Educacion/good housekeeping and pellet, flake, and powder containment practices	1992	Ongoing	America Chemistry Council (ACC)/the plastics industry trade association (SPI)	An extensive list of companies/associations have taken the Operation Clean Sweep® (OCS) pledge and have become OCS program partners to help control pellet, flake, and powder loss worldwide	Supported by organizations (for-profit or non-profit companies; incorporated trade associations; and unincorporated coalitions	-	-	

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95	OSEAN (Our Sea of East Asia Network)	South Korea	National	Awareness / Protection/Reduction	Research / Education/Awareness programs/ Developing marine environmental policy/ /International Cooperation	2009	Ongoing	civic group	registered at the Ministry of Land, Transportation, and Maritime Affairs of South Korea. /Korena Marine Litter Institute	supported by volunteers	Director) Dr. Jongmyoung Lee /#717 LeadersVill, 23-96 Jukrim 4 ro, Gwongdo, Tongyeong, Gyeongnam, 650-826, South Korea	sachfem@hanmail.net OR osean@osean.net	+82-55-649-5224
96	Perseus -Research Project	Southern European Seas	Regional	Assesment/Awareness	Research/Policy/Campaign-Education/Database/Innovation	2012	It lasted till December 2015		Funded by the EU under FP7 Theme "Oceans of Tomorrow" OCEAN.2011-3 Grant Agreement No. 287600	An extensive list of Universities, Marine Research Centers and institutions			
97	Plastic Bank	Canada	Global	Operational, clean-up and awareness-raising and education	Action/Collection/Awareness				Organizations such as Henkel, terra case, THE GOOD IDEA etc.			350-1333 Johnston St, Vancouver, BC V6H 3R9, Canada	
98	Plastic Busters-Project	Mediterranean	Regional	Address data/Gaps/Prevention/Awareness	Campaigns/Action/Demonstration Projects/Expeditions	2013	2017	University of Siena-Sustainable Development Solutions Network – MED Solutions	MIO-ECSDE UNEP/MAP IFREMER HCMR SOCIB ISPRA Biochemistry and Environmental Toxicology, Higher Institute of Agronomy, University of Sousse (TN) IWRS, Institute for Water of the Republic of Slovenia (SI) CNR, Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, Consorzio Lamma (IT) ISOTECH – Environmental	fund raising campaign, with applications to national and international calls and private donors.	Maria Cristina Fossi Silvia Casini DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL, EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY OF SIENA VIA MATTIOLI, 4 53100 SIENA, ITALY	PLASTICBUSTERS@UNISI.IT	+390577232913

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									Research and Consultancy Consorzio Mediterraneo (IT) ECNC Land & Sea Group (ES) University of Bologna (IT) FispMed				
99	Plastic Oceans International	Canada, Chile, Europe, Mexico	Global	Awareness/Behavioral change/Corporate and public policy/Solution to plastic pollution	Films/Movement/Education/Action	2016	Ongoing					https://www.facebook.com/PlasticOceans/	
100	Plastic Pollution Coalition	California	Global	Awareness/Education				It is a project of Earth Island Institute, NGO	1,200 organizations, businesses, and thought leaders in 75 countries		Emily DiFrisco Director of Communications Plastic Pollution Coalition 4401A Connecticut Avenue NW #143 Washington, DC 20008	emily@plasticpollutioncoalition.org	(323) 936-3010 x705
101	Plastic Revolution	Accra, Ghana	Global	Awareness	Research, operational, education and communication	2017	Ongoing	Plastic REvolution Foundation by RevOcean	Companies like: IUCN, NTNU, SINTEF etc.		Erik Solheim CEO, Plastic REvolution Foundation	erik.solheim@plasticrevolution.earth	

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102	Prevented Ocean Plastics		Regional: South East Asia, South America and the Galapagos Islands, Mediterranean, Central America & Caribbean	Research, awareness-raising and education	CleanUp/Prevention	2005	Ongoing	Pew Foundation	cross-sector brands, manufacturers, suppliers and advocates				
103	Project Kaisei	San Francisco	Regional (North Pacific Gyre)	Participation/Awareness/Education	CleanUp/Expeditions Education	2009	Ongoing	Ocean Voyages Institute	19 partners-sponsors	19 partners-sponsors	Mary Crowley, Co-Founder /Roxane Thompson, Special Project Director	mary@projectkaisei.org / info@oceanvoyagesinstitute.org / mary@oceanvoyagesinstitute.org	+1-415-332-4681/+1-415-332-4681
104	Projeto Lixo Marinho – Global Garbage Brasil	Brazil	National	Awareness/Increase Knowledge in the West South Atlantic Ocean (Brazilian coastal)	data collection, development of specific studies and methodologies, generation of scientific data and forming partnerships		-	Local Beach - Global Garbage Brazil	Portal EcoD	Financed by: Global Ocean/Lighthouse Foundation/Local Beach Global Garbage	Andréa de Lima Oliveira /Paulo F.Garreta Harkot	andrea.oliveira@projetoelixomarinho.org / paulo.harkot@projetoelixomarinho.org	
105	Rendu Ocean	China	China coastline	Education/Monitoring/Research	Clean Up/Projects	2007	Ongoing	Initiated as a non-profit organization and in 2013 was registered as a private non-enterprise unit			Room 209, Block C, No. 613 Eshan Road, Pudong New Area, Shanghai, 200127	info@renduocean.org	021-68360961
106	Responsible Snack Bar Project	Spain	National	Prevention	Economic and Market Based Instruments	2012	Ongoing	Fundacion Biodiversidad, Spanish Ministry of Agriculture,	526 beach snack bars	Fundacion Biodiversidad, Spanish Ministry of Agriculture, Food and the	Víctor Gutiérrez López /Projects Coordinator	Fundación Biodiversidad c/ Fortuny, 7 bajo 28010 Madrid	

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								Food and the Environment		Environment			
107	Return to Offender Campaign	UK	National	Prevention, Awareness	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign	2006	Ongoing	Surfers Against Sewage	Members of SAS and volunteers, surfers and other beach	Supported by volunteers	Wheal Kitty Workshops, St Agnes, Cornwall, UK, TR5 0RD	info@sas.org.uk	01872 553 001
108	Sea cleaning vessel 'Battello Spazzamare' (Italy)	Italy	National	Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Practice/ Activity/ Campaign/CleanUp	2005	Ongoing	Ministry of the Environment and Protection of Land and Sea	Italian MPAs	funded by the Ministry of the Environment and Protection of Land and Sea	Ministry of the Environment and Protection of Land and Sea		
109	Sea Life Trust	UK	International (Thailand, UK, Germany, USA, Australia, New Zealand, Falkland Islands)	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Campaigns/Education		Ongoing	Charity	Sea Life Aquarium Chain	Donations	SEA LIFE Trust 3 Market Close Poole Dorset BH15 1NQ	help@sealifetrust.com	
110	Seabed cleaning in Cyprus	Cyprus	National	Mitigation, Awareness	Campaign/Clean UP	2002	Ongoing, 2-3 times a year	CYMEPA	Cyta (Cyprus Telecommunication Authority) Scuba Divers Club, Local Authorities and Local diving schools	Funding by third parties such as banks, Cypriot utility companies, maritime companies etc.	Michael Ierides, CYMEPA, Secretary General	www.cymepa.org.cy	
111	Separation and recycling of materials from fishing trawl and nets	Denmark	National	Prevention, Mitigation/Resource Recovery	Practice/ Activity/ Action/Innovation/ Recycling plastic and steel from fishing nets	2012	>>5 years, unlimited	PLASTIX with support of EuPR / EUPC	Plastix Green Wave Plastics WasteFreeOceans Frandsen Industri Produktion ApS EFD Induction F.L. Teknik Green Wave Plastics Schnoor Plast	Fornylsesfonden 2.312.185 kr. (grant) /Project budget 8.769.100 kr.	Ryan Metcalfe, KIMO Denmark Bernard Merckx - EUPR/EUPC/WFO	europeanwastefreeoceans@live.nl	

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									Aalborg Universitet				
112	Shave our shores	Monterey Bay	Monterey Bay, California	Informative/Education/Campaigns	Promotion of policies/Action/CleanUp	1978	Ongoing				https://www.facebook.com/SaveOurShores.org/	-	
113	Ship-to-Shore	Nova Scotia, Canada	Statewide	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/ Campaign/ Engage fishing harbours on waste management issues	2008	Ongoing	Clean Foundation	commercial fishers	Sponsored by the Canadian Plastics Industry Association (CPIA) / supported by the Fisheries and Oceans' Small Craft Harbours, the Resource Recovery Fund Board, and Nova Scotia Environment	Sonia Smith	ssmith@clean.ns.ca	(902) 420-3474
114	Southeast Atlantic Marine Debris Initiative	USA	3 Statewide (South Atlantic (North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia))	Awareness	Innovation/Policy/Regulation	-	Ongoing	University of Georgia	Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina partnering with NOAA	University of Georgia-staff support.	Project Coordinator: Christine Laporte/Jason Rolfe, Marine Debris Deputy Chief (acting), NOAA Marine Debris Division	claporte@uga.edu / Jason.Rolfe@noaa.gov	

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115	Southeast Florida Marine Debris Reporting and Removal Program	Southeast Florida, US	Sub-Statewide	Mitigation/Awareness	Campaign/CleanUp(Shore based & Underwater)/Record		Ongoing	The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), and Palm Beach County Reef Rescue (PBCRR)	The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), and Palm Beach County Reef Rescue (PBCRR)	-	3900 Commonwealth Boulevard M.S. 235 Tallahassee, Florida	Coral@FloridaDEP.gov	32399 850-245-2094
116	SPREP's Pacific Oceans Pollution Prevention Programme (PACPOL)		Regional (Pacific)	Prevent Pollution	Strategy Implementation	1998	Ongoing	Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme	International Maritime Organisation (IMO)/Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat /Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) /Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency /Regional oil and shipping industries	funded by the IMO			
117	STH Harem Beach Cleaning, Rehabilitation and Conservation Project	Turkey	National	Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Campaign, Practice/ Activity/ Action, sea bottom cleaning	2006	-	Sualtı Temizlik ve Bilinçlendirme Hareketi Derneği-STH (abbreviation for Underwater Purification & Awareness Activity in Turkish, a NGO)	Istanbul Environmental Management of Industry and Trade CO., Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality and volunteer divers.	No financial support.	Hakan Tiryaki-Chief of Project Team (STH)/Gülden Sokak No: 34 / 2 34730 Kadıköy / İstanbul	iletisim@sth.org.tr	541 337 2830
118	Stop plastic pollution.ch	Switzerland	National	Reduce plastic consumption/Aware	Campaign	2015	Ongoing	-	Members: An extensive list of 33 individuals	Donations	Seefeldstrasse 178 8008 Zürich	info@stoppp.org	+41 79 508 56 80

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				ness					and 18 organisations				
119	Story of stuff project	San Francisco	Global	Education/Campaigns	Movies/Education/Awareness	2007	Ongoing		Changemakers includes parents, community leaders, teachers and students, people of faith, entrepreneurs, scientists and others interested in creating a more healthy and just world.		The Story of Stuff Project, 1442 A Walnut Street, #272, Berkeley, CA 94709	info@storyofstuff.org	(510) 883-1055
120	Sustainable Coastlines	New Zealand	Global	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	2008	Ongoing	New Zealand charity	Samsung/Singapore Airlines /Benefitz	Sponsorships and individual, organisation and business supporters	Level 1, 54 Upper Queen Street, Eden Terrace, Auckland 1010, New Zealand	info@sustainablecoastlines.org	+64 9 948 8454
121	SystemiQ's Initiatives	London	Global		Operational and clean-up	2016	Ongoing	SystemiQ	Ellen MacArthur Foundation. Partners and associates, based in London, Munich and Jakarta.		SYSTEMIQ Ltd 69 Carter Lane London EC4V 5EQ	contact@systemiq.earth	
122	Thank you Ocean Campaign	California, US	Statewide	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign/Education	2006	Ongoing	State of California, the NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries and the Ocean Communicators Alliance.	An extensive list of members including NGOs, industry, enterprises etc.	Supported by several staff members/Donations		info@thankyouocean.org	

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123	The 3R Initiative: Reduce, Recover, Recycle		Global	Policy-oriented	Operational and other, WM&R	2019	Ongoing	Funded by BVRIO, Verra, Nestlé, Tetra Pak, Veolia, Danone, Conservation International, South Pole, Natural Capital, Systemiq, and McKinsey		Corporate founding members: DANONE, NESTLE, Tetra Pak, VEOLIA, Advisory founding members, Conservation International, south pole, Technical founding members: BVRIO VERRA		contact@3rinitiative.org	
124	The Circulate Initiative	US	Global	Operational	Policy-oriented	2018	Ongoing	Circulate Capital		Companies like PEPSICO, P&G, CHANEL, CIRCULATE CAPITAL, ALLIANCE TO END PLASTIC WASTE.	15 West 36th Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10018 100 Amoy Street, Singapore 069920	hello@incubationnetwork.com	
125	The Clean Coasts Programme	Ireland	National	Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Practice/ CleanUp	2003	Ongoing	An Taisce (The National Trust for Ireland)	Volunteers, local communities, schools, businesses, sports clubs, third level colleges and universities.	Initially funded under an INTERREG programme (Ireland/Wales) but now receives national funding from the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government, Fáilte Ireland and sponsorship by Coca-Cola	Annabel FitzGerald, Coastal Programmes Manager,	cleancoasts@eeu.aisce.org	01 4002210

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126	The Declaration of the Global Plastics Associations for Solutions on Marine Litter		Global		Policy-oriented, operational, research and communication			Global Plastics Associations for Solutions on Marine Litter					
127	The Japan Environmental Action Network	Japan	National	Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	CleanUp/Campaign/Investigations	2008 (As a voluntary group: January 1991)	Ongoing	voluntary group	-	-	-	cleanup@jean.jp	042-322-0712
128	The Nobodyz Trash - Indigenous Marine Debris Network	Australia	National	Awareness/promote initiative and self-expression within Indigenous communities to address issues related to marine debris pollution.	Action/database/Focused Workshops	2013	Ongoing	Gumma IPA	Conservation Biology Institute, Dolphin Research Australia, National Marine Science Centre at Southern Cross, Bag-a-surf Japan, Ghost Net Australia, and the Kootenai Tribe of Idaho.	Donations	Kai Foster (Henifin), M.A./Project Manager GIS Analyst	kai.foster@consbio.org	
129	The Ocean Cleanup	Delft, the Netherlands	Global	CleanUp	Developing cleanup systems	2013	Ongoing		Official partners (e.g. salesforce, DSM, CFF), Academic partners (e.g. TU Delft, Wageningen) and official Supporters & suppliers (e.g. Orcina, KLM, Danone)		The Ocean Cleanup HQ POSTAL ADDRESS Batavierenstraat 15 4-7th floor 3014 JH Rotterdam The Netherlands The Ocean Cleanup North Pacific Foundation POSTAL ADDRESS 100 Wall Street, 10th Floor New York, NY 10005 USA	-	

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130	The OECD Ocean initiatives	France	Global		Policy-oriented and operational		Ongoing	The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)	governments, parliaments, international organisations, business and labour, civil society,			Kate Kooka, Ocean Advisor	
131	The Plastic Bag Levy (Ireland)	Ireland	National	Prevention	Policy/Regulation Implementation, Economic and Market Based Instruments	2002	Ongoing	Irish Government	The Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government; The Litter Monitoring Body, TOBIN Consulting Engineers; An Taisce (The National Trust)	No	Tom Doyle, CMRC, University College Cork		
132	The Plastic Leak Project	Switzerland	European	Product design	Strategy Implementation/Actions/Methodology			Quantis and Shaping Environmental Action (EA)	leading international organizations for nature conversation, and the European Commission,		EPFL Innovation Park, Bât. D 1015 Lausanne, Switzerland	hello@quantis-intl.com	+41 21 353 59 10
133	The United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development	UN	Global	Awareness	Research, operational, education and communication	2017	Ongoing	Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) UNESCO and the UNEP	Organizations and municipalities such as MEXT, SWEDEN, Canada, Government of Flanders	Public, Civil Society/NGOs, Donors & Foundations, Business & Industry, Ocean Policy & Sustainable Development, Ocean Science & Technology			
134	Trash Free Waters Program	California, US	National	Prevention	Campaign-Toolkit/Regulatory Tools/Research	-	Ongoing	EPA	-	-	Anna-Marie Cook U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 75 Hawthorne Street (SFD-9)		

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											San Francisco, CA 94105		
135	Trash Wall Project Blue Sea	Germany	Global	Awareness	Practice/ Activity/ Action/Educational programs	2011	Ongoing	Project Blue Sea	Volunteers	The European Animal and Nature Protection Association (www.etn-ev.de)	Montag bis Freitag	office@projectblue-sea.de	+49 (0) 23 23 / 96 40 96 0
136	UNEP Caribbean Environmental Program	Caribbean	Regional	Prevention/Awareness	Policy/Communication/Education/Assessment/Management	1981		United Nations Environmental Programme(UNEP)			UNEP CAR/RCU 14-20 Port Royal Street Kingston, JAMAICA	rcu@cep.unep.org	(876) 922-9267-9
137	Waste Free Oceans	Belgium	International (Africa, Americas, Arabian Gulf, Asia excluding Arabian Gulf and Turkey, Australia/ New Zealand, Europe including Turkey, and Global)	Mitigation/ Awareness/Resource Recovery	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign/CleanUP/Collecting data	2011	Ongoing	European Plastics Converters (EuPC),	Plastic industry, fishing community, recycling industry, UN Environment, European Parliament	private sponsors	Bernard Merckx /Marguerite Korenblit	bernard.merckx@wastefreeoceans.eu , contact@wastefreeoceans.org , korenblit@wastefreeoceans.eu	
138	World Bank Initiatives		Global	Awareness	Policy-oriented, operational, education			World Bank					

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139	WWF Plastic Initiatives	Washington, US	Global	Awareness	Policy-oriented, operational, clean-up, education and communication			World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)					
140	Your Bottle Means Jobs	Carolina, US	Statewide	Awareness/ Resource Recovery	Campaign/ Recycling	-	Ongoing	Carolina Plastics Recycling Council	-	Shopshorships (Wake County North Carolina, spi, Carolina Recycling Association)	Carolina's Plastics Recycling Council 1201 Main Street Suite 1600 Columbia, South Carolina 29201	csfryer@sccommerce.com	Chantal Fryer 803.737.0477
141	Zero Pellet Lost	Germany	National	Prevention/Awareness	Best practices for zero lost (Certification)	2011	Ongoing	PlasticsEurope Germany (plastics manufacturers) and the VCI (Chemical Industry Association) and Marinelittersolutions	Plastic Industry	-	-	-	
142	4Oceans	Bali, Indonesia	Indonesia		Research, awareness-raising and education clean-up,		Ongoing	Alex and Andrew					

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1	Algalita Marine Research Foundation	California,US	Global	Prevention/Awareness	Research/Education/Campaign/CleanUp/Expeditions	1999	Ongoing	Captain Charles Moore	Partners: An extensive list of significant organisations and enterprises from all around the globe	Main resources are the followings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contributions and grants • Program service revenue • Membership • Investment income • Special Events 	148 North Marina Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803-4601/ 148 North Marina Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803-4601	katie@algalita.org	562-598-4889
2	APLM – Associação Portuguesa do Lixo Marinho	Portugal	National	Prevention/Awareness	Trainings/Publications/Dissemination/Campaigns	2008 (2013)	Ongoing	IMAR team of researchers from the Universidade Nova de Lisboa	Associação Bandeira Azul da Europa (ABAE) Associação Brasileira do Lixo Marinho (ABLM) Associação Portuguesa da Indústria de Plásticos (APIP) Brigada do Mar Ecozoic - Júnior Empresa de Engenharia do Ambiente Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia da Universidade Nova de Lisboa (FCT-UNL) Grupo de Estudos de Ordenamento do Território e Ambiente (GEOTA) Liga para a Proteção da Natureza (LPN) MARE - Centro de Ciências do Mar e do Ambiente Observatório do Mar dos Açores (OMA) Quercus - Associação Nacional de Conservação da Natureza Sciaena - Associação de Ciências Marinhas e Cooperação Sociedade Portuguesa para o Estudo das Aves (SPEA) Surfrider Foundation Europe	Departamento de Ciências e Engenharia do Ambiente Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia da Universidade Nova de Lisboa Campus de Caparica 2829-516 Caparica	Víctor Gutiérrez López /Projects Coordinator	ap.lixomarinho@gmail.com	

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									- Capítulo de Lisboa				
3	Archipelagos Institute of Marine Conservation	Greece	National	Assessment of microplastics	Research	2009	Ongoing	-	An extensive list of Universities, laboratories and organisations	Donations	Archipelagos Institute of Marine Conservation, P.O. Box 42 Pythagorio 83 103 Samos, Greece	info@archipelago.gr	+30 22730-61191 / 61147
4	ASEAN Working Group on Coastal and Marine Environment (AWGCME)	Southeast Asia (Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Brunei, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar (Burma), and Vietnam)	Regional	Protection/Awareness	Collaboration/Capacity Building/Standards	2009	Ongoing	ASEAN Cooperation on Environment	-	-	Environment Division of the ASEAN Secretariat Sisingamangaraja 70A, Kebayoran Baru, Jakarta, Indonesia 12110	-	+62-21 7243372, +62-21 7262991

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5	Associação Brasileira do Lixo Marinho (ABLM)	Brazil	National	Protection/Awareness/Mitigation	provide scientific and technical expert/education/Action/Services/Monitoring Projects	2013	Ongoing	-	Bahia Surf Camp/Ekman Serviços Ambientais e Oceanográficos	membership fees/donations	Rua Alberto Willo, 418, casa 3 Planalto Paulista 04067-041 São Paulo-SP.	brasil@ablm.org.br	
6	Australian Marine Environment Protection Association (AUSMEPA)	Australia	National	Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Campaign/Education programs for students and teachers	2000	Ongoing	number of individuals representing a wide range of shipping industry, government and non government organisations who were committed to protecting Australia's precious marine environment.	shipping industry, government and non government organisations	Sponsorships	PO Box 7122 SIPPY DOWNS QLD 4556.	info@ausmepea.org.au	0412 876109
7	B.E.A.C.H Hawaii	Hawaii, US	Statewide	Mitigation/Awareness/Prevention	Research/Education/Campaigns/CleanUp	-	Ongoing	-	-	membership fee/sponsor/volunteer support/donations	Dean Otsuki Suzanne Frazer/Beach Environmental Awareness Campaign Hawai'i (B.E.A.C.H.), P.O. Box 25284, Honolulu, Hawai'i. 96825.	beach_org@yahoo.com	1 (808) 393 2168

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8	Black Sea NGO Networks	Bulgaria	Regional (Black Sea)	Development /Environmental Protection of the Black Sea	Campaigns/Education Activities/Environmental Surveys	1998	Ongoing	Black Sea NGO Network of Varna, Bulgaria			Regional Office Emma Gileva P.O. Box 91, 2 Dr. L. Zamenhof Str., fl. 2 visiting address: 11 Ivan Drasov Str. 9000 Varna, Bulgaria	bsnn@bsnn.org	35952615856, +359 52 602 047
9	Boomerang Alliance – Marine Plastic Pollution	Australia	National	maximum resource efficiency and zero waste	introduction of systemic changes to deliver social, economic and environmental benefits to all/Campaigns	2004	Ongoing	Group of individuals	41 national, state and local allies	Donations/Volunteers	Boomerang Alliance – Marine Plastic Pollution	info@boomerangalliance.org.au	(02) 9211 5022
10	Clean Ocean Action-Beach Sweeps	New Jersey, US	National	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Research/Public Education/Action/Law/Clean-Ups	1984	Ongoing	D. W. Bennett-Founder	broad-based coalition of 125 active boating, business, community, conservation, diving, environmental, fishing, religious, service, student, surfing, and women's groups	Donations/Tributes/Volunteers	18 Hartshorne Drive, Suite 2 Highlands, NJ 07732	Info@CleanOceanAction.org	(732) 872- 0111
11	Clean Up Australia	Australia	National	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	1989	Ongoing	Australian builder and solo yachtsman, Ian Kiernan.	Corporate partners:Luxmy Furniture/Kyocera/Lenovo	Supported by voluntary contribution/ donation of professional services from businesses/sponsorship	193 Darlinghurst Road Darlinghurst NSW 2010		Clean Up Australia Day (Toll Free) - 1800 CUA DAY / 1800 282 329 Clean Up Australia +61 2 8197 3400

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12	CleanUp the World	Australia	Global	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	1993	Ongoing	community based	The campaign brings together businesses, community groups, schools, governments and individuals in a range of activities and programs	is associated with the Department of Public Information of the United Nations and is supported by, and collaborates with, a range of partner organisations in various countries.	PO Box R725 Royal Exchange NSW 1225 Australia	world@cleanup.com.au	+61 2 8197 3400
13	Coastal & Marine Union (EUCC)	The Netherlands	European	Conservation/Bridging the Gap between scientists, environmentalists, site managers, planners and policy makers/Awareness	Policy/Enforcement/Action	1989	Ongoing	EUCC	network of coastal and marine practitioners and experts around Europe and neighbouring area	Support through a booking website/Membership	P.O. Box 11232 2301 EE, Rapenburg 8, 2311 EV Leiden The Netherlands	admin@eucc.net info@kustnederland.nl	+31-71-5143719
14	CoastWatch Europe	Ireland	European	Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Campaign/Training events	1987 (Ireland)	Ongoing	Irish Times (Frank Mac Donald) and Karin Dubsy	an international network of environmental groups, universities and other educational establishments, who in turn work with local groups and individuals around the coast of Europe	Supported by schools and local volunteers. Also, the Marine Environment Policy Budget of the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government	Karin Dubsy BA MSc./Civil & Environmental Engineering Trinity College Dublin College Green Dublin 2 Rep. of Ireland	KDubsy@Coastwatch.org	+353 (0)53 942 5843
15	Duik de Noordzee Schoon (Clean the North Sea)	The Netherlands	Regional (The North Sea)	Awareness/Mitigation	Clean up/Campaign/Expeditions	-	Ongoing	Started by experienced North Sea wreck divers,	videographers, photographers, biologists, archaeologists and other highly experienced wreck divers, other organizations	voluntary support/sponsorship	Duik de Noordzee Schoon Duyvenvoordstraat 35 2681 HH	info@duikdenoordzeeschoon.nl	06-54936940

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16	Ecosurfer	Brazil	International	Awareness/Reduction	Campaign/CleanUP	2000	Ongoing	created by surfers	surfers from Brazil., Europe and Africa	-	-	ecosurf@ecosurf.org.br	55 (13) 997 510 332
17	Expedition MED:Stop Plastic in the Sea	Mediterranean	Regional	Awareness/Prevention	Research/Action-Expeditions/Awareness Programs	2009	Ongoing	Individuals	The Observatoire de Villefranche-sur-Mer LIMATB the Laboratoire de Chimie de L'Environnement (LCE) COLLECTIVE STUDY ON INSECTS AND PLASTIC POLLUTION LE CNAM INTECHMER UNIVERSITÉ DE LIÈGE STARESO Freie Universität Berlin Algalita 5 Gyres SUEZ/NOVAMONT/SHERE/LE CLUB MÉDITERRANÉE/TECNOMAR.NET/BIOCOOP/LYSIAS PARTNERS	Donations	-	-	
18	Foundation for Environmental Education in Europe (FEEE)	Denmark	Global	Awareness	Blue Flag Campaign/Education	1987	Ongoing		Institutions: (UNESCO), GAP, UNWTO, UNEP, ISESCO, Earth Charter, TheGoals.org and YouthMundus		Daniel Schaffer Chief Executive Officer; Scandiagade 13, 2450 Copenhagen SV, DENMARK	daniel@fee.global/info@fee.global	+45 6124 8080

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19	Ghostnets Australia	Australia	National	Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign/Database/Ghost Net Cybertracker Application	2004	Ongoing	community based	Blackmores Australia/Picta Creative - A small studio with big ideas/World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)/Working on Country/Cape York NRM/Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation/Australian National Maritime Museum	Supported with additional expertise, funding and resources by organisations, institutions and individuals	-	info@ghostnets.com.au	
20	Great Nova Scotia Pick me up	Nova Scotia, Canada	Statewide	Mitigation/Awareness	Litter CleanUp/Campaign	1988	Ongoing	Clean Foundation	individuals, groups, businesses, schools	Supported by volunteers	Charlyne Robertson	crobertson@clean.ns.ca	(902) 420-3474
21	HCMR	Greece	National	Conservation/Awareness/Regional Development	Research/collecting data on macro- and microplastics in the Med /Consultancy/Education	1912	Ongoing	supervision of the General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT) of the Ministry of Education, Research and Religious Affairs	he HCMR comprises three Research Institutes: the Institute of Marine Biology, Biotechnology and Aquaculture (IMBBC), the Institute of Marine Biological Resources and Inland Waters (IMBRIW) and the Institute of Oceanography (IO).	governmental funds	Street Address 46,7 km Athens Sounio ave. P.O. Box 712, P.C. 19013 Anavyssos Attiki Greece	webadmin@hcmr.gr	+302291076462
22	Hellenic Marine Environment Protection Association	Greece	National	Prevention, Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign	2008	Ongoing	joint initiative of Greek seafarers and ship owners	Seafarers, companies and organizations linked directly or indirectly with the Greek maritime community, crews of Greek-owned vessels; staff of ships' managing companies and officers of the	Membership fees/Donations	5, Pergamou Str., Nea Smirni 171 21, Athens - Greece	helmepa@helmepa.gr	(0030) 210 9343088

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									Hellenic Coast Guard				
23	IFREMER	France	Regional (Mediterranean)	Conservation/Awareness /Regional Development/Support for public	Research/Monitoring -collection of data on macro-litter and microplastics since 1994 in the Mediterranean,	1984	Ongoing	-	At the regional , national or international level , Ifremer is involved in numerous scientific partnerships .	-	Ifremer, 155 rue Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Issy-les-Moulineaux, France	-	
24	Indian Maritime Foundation, Pune	India	Regional (Pune, Delhi, Mumbai and Chennai.)	Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUps/Education	1993	Ongoing	Officers of the Indian Navy	<p>The Ocean Conservancy, Washington DC, USA</p> <p>The World Ship Trust, London, UK</p> <p>The Society for Underwater Technology, UK</p> <p>The World Ocean Observatory, New York, USA</p> <p>The International Congress of Maritime Museums, Liverpool, UK</p> <p>The Nautical Institute, London, UK</p> <p>The Maritime Foundation, UK</p> <p>In addition IMF also partners with SOAP (Social Outreach Accreditation Program) an NGO sponsored by Ms. Gul Panag</p>	Membership fees (an extensive list of individual and company members)	The Indian Maritime Foundation 1/402 Gera Gardens, Koregaon Road, Pune- 411001, India	<p>indmarf</p> <p>dn50@gmail.com,</p> <p>inmadfd</p> <p>n50@gmail.com</p>	91-9890488242

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25	INTERMEPA Organisation	Greece	International	Compliance/Awareness	Campaign/Policy	2006	Ongoing	HELMEPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AUSMEPA : Australian Marine Environment Protection Association • CYMEPA : Cypriot Marine Environment Protection Association • HELMEPA : Hellenic Marine Environment Protection Association • NAMEPA : North American Marine Environment Protection Association • TURMEPA : Turkish Marine Environment Protection Association • UKRMEPA : Ukrainian Marine Environment Protection Association • URUMEPA : Uruguayan Marine Environment Protection Association/ IMO, the International Maritime Organization/DNV-GL 	membership /voluntary support	5, Pergamou Str., Nea Smirni 171 21, Athens - Greece	helmepa@helmepa.gr	(0030) 210 9343088
26	International Maritime Organisation	UK	International	Prevent and Control Pollution from Ships	Regulations	1948	Ongoing	Member States	171 Member States and three Associate Members.	funded by assessed contributions on its Member States and Associate Members.Voluntary financial contributions from Member States, Governmental Agencies, intergovernmental bodies and other bodies etc/Donations	International Maritime Organization 4, Albert Embankment London SE1 7SR United Kingdom	info@imo.org	+44 (0)20 7735 7611
27	International Ocean Institute –African Region	South Africa	National	Awareness	Research	1972	Ongoing	International Ocean Institute (IOI) was founded in 1972 by Professor Elisabeth Mann Borgese	SAIMI;SANBI;Rhodes Business School;Beat the MicroBead;SafeGuard or Seabed;IMO;BirdLife International;IASS-POTSDAN;Agriculture, forestry & fisheries-Republic of South Africa		Adnan Awad (Director),Center for Biodiversity Conservation, Kirstenbosch, Rhodes Drive, Newlands,	info@ioisa.org / shampton@ioisa.org	+27 21 799 8491 / +27 21 799 8830

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											Cape Town, South Africa		
28	isea	Greece	National	Awareness	monitoring/Education/Campaign Plastic SOS	-	Ongoing	PRESIDENT Ioannis Giovos	Collaboration with universities, ngos and diving center in Greece and Abroad	donations/voluntary support	Thessaloniki, 54645,	info@isea.com.gr	231 309 0696
29	Keep America Beautiful	Connecticut, US	National	End Littering/Improve Recycling/Beautifulify Communities	Action/Campaign-Education/Clean Ups	1953	Ongoing	group of corporate and civic leaders	more than 600 community-based affiliates and partner organizations	supported by volunteers/donations	Keep America Beautiful 1010 Washington Boulevard Stamford, CT 06901	info@kab.org	(203) 659-3000
30	Keep Scotland Beautiful	Scotland (UK)	Sub-National	Awareness/Mitigation	Campaign/Clean Up/Education/Training	-	Ongoing	-	32 local authority areas	donations/voluntary support	Keep Scotland Beautiful First Floor Glendevon House The Castle Business Park Stirling FK9 4TZ		+44 1786 471333
31	Keep Sweden Tidy Foundation	Sweden	National	Prevention/Awareness	Campaign/Education/Projects to reduce littering and increase recycling	1983	Ongoing	founded by the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency and the company Returpack.			Högbergsgatan 44 Stockholm 10264	info@hsr.se	+46 8 505 263 00
32	Keep the Archipelago Tidy Foundation	Finland	National	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Campaign/CleanUp/Action	1969	Ongoing					oope@pssry.fi	(02) 274 5500

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33	KIMO International	Denmark	International	Prevention/Mitigation/Preserve & Enhance Marine Environment	Policy/Education/Outreach/Support Scientific Research/Projects: Fishing for Litter/MARLISCO/Zwervend langs Zee/Clean Sea	1990	Ongoing	local municipalities	KIMO has 80 members representing around 150 communities	-	President Mr Karsten Filsø Holstebro Kommune Rådhuset Kirkestræde 11 7500 Holstebro	Karsten.Filsoe@holstebro.dk OR info@kimo.shetland.org	441595744807
34	Living Oceans Society	Canada	National	Prevention/Awareness/Campaigns	Clean Up	1998	Ongoing	Sointula Society	-	volunteer support, donations	PO Box 320 Sointula, BC, VoN 3E0 Canada	info@livingoceans.org	250-973-6580
35	Marine Conservation Society	UK	National	Prevention/measurable improvements in the state of our seas/Awareness	Campaigns/prevention projects/Clean Up/Reports	1983	Ongoing	Individuals	more than 11,000 supporters /more than 15,000 MCS volunteers	membership fees, donations,/supported by volunteers	Marine Conservation Society, Overross House, Ross Park, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire, HR9 7US /MCS Scottish Office Suite 7 CBC House 24 Canning Street Edinburgh EH3 8EG	info@mcscuk.org	01989 566017 /0131 633 4000/4001
36	Marine Litter Solutions: "The Declaration of the Global Plastics Associations for Solutions on Marine	Global	Global	Prevention/Recovery/Awareness	PPPs/Research/Projects/Policy/Innovation	2011	Ongoing	Marine Litter Solutions	Since the Joint Declaration was created in 2011, a total of 60 associations in 34 countries* have voluntarily pledged their commitment to the principals and proactive	-	-	-	-

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37	NOAA	Washington, DC	National	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness/Conserve Resources/Cutting-Edge research	Campaign/CleanUp/Action	(1807) 1970	Ongoing	United States federal government			National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 5128 Washington, DC 20230	NOAA.Staff.Director@noaa.gov	(828) 271-4800.
38	North America Marine Environment Protection Association(NAMEMA)	Connecticut, US	National	Prevention/Awareness	Campaign/Education	2007	Ongoing	industry	industry-led organization of environmental stewards	Donations/Membership fees	690 Mill Hill Terrace Southport, CT 06890	contact@namema.net	(203) 255-4686
39	Ocean Ambassadors	Fiji	National	Prevention/Recovery	Implementation/project management roles/mobile educational platform	-	Ongoing	Ocean Ambassadors	-	Business format/self sustaining financial system/online store/aid funds		Project Management: adrian@oceanambassadors.org Business Development: jesse@oceanambassadors.org	
40	Ocean Crusaders Pty Ltd	Australia	Global	Awareness	Education online/Campaign	2010	Ongoing	Ian 'Thommo' Thomson (founder)	A team of individuals	online merchandise sells/donations/sponsorships	Ocean Crusaders Foundation	Info@OceanCrusaders.org	+61 (0)4 1293 2808

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											Ltd ACN: 613 403 231 IP.O Box 5339, Manly QLD Australia 4179	g	
41	Ocean Recovery Alliance	Hong Kong, China	Global	improve ocean environment /Prevention of Plastic Pollution	Organise sub-projects: Plastic Disclosure Project, and the Global Alert platform/Plastics-to-fuel Project Developer's Guide innovation		Ongoing	registered non-profit in California, and is a registered charitable organization in Hong Kong.	a variety of existing stakeholders	Donations/supporters: • Hamilton Advisors Limited • Duplicate of Responsible Investment Research Association – India • Duplicate of EISAL – Asia • Global Partnership for Oceans • United Nations Environmental Programme • Vor-Tek Solutions	Ocean Recovery Alliance, 20th Floor,Central Tower, 28 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong/1230 Clay St. #203 San Francisco, CA 94108	info@oceanrecovery.org	(852) 2803-0018 / (415) 307-7720
42	OSPAR-Regional Action Plan (RAP) for Marine Litter	UK	Regional (North East Atlantic)	Prevention/Mitigation	Regional Measures/Strategy/Harmonised system for port reception facilities/Develop best practice in relation to fishing industry/ Improved waste prevention and management	(1967 the organisation)2014	Ongoing	OSPAR COMMISSION (Protecting and conserving the North-East Atlantic and its sources)	-	-	OSPAR Secretariat Victoria House 37-63 Southampton Row London WC1B 4DA United Kingdom	secretariat@ospar.org	+44 (0) 20 7430 5200

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43	Plastic change	Denmark	International	Awareness/Mitigation	Education/Expeditions/ DataCollection/Campaigns/CleanUp	2014	Ongoing	Secretariat	Århus University, DTU, World Watch Institute and Roskilde University together with 5Gyres.com in USA and Ifremer in France/engagement of KIMO /Troels Kløvedal and Nordkaperen	Membership fee/sponsor/volunteer support	Henningsens alle 16 2900 Hellerup Denmark	info@plasticchange.org	4542667246
44	Plastic Free Seas	Hong Kong, China	Regional	Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUP/Campaign/Education	2013	Ongoing	Team of individuals	individuals, families, community groups and school students	is funded through , donations from supporters, and profits from merchandise sales/ contribution from volunteers	-	-	
45	Plastic Pollution Coalition	California	Global	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Policy/Campaign/Education-inform/Connect Globally	2009	Ongoing	global alliance	more than 400 member organizations /individuals/universities etc	Donations/ profits from merchandise sales	California	contact@plasticpollutioncoalition.org	(323) 936-3010
46	Plastic Soup Foundation	The Netherlands	International	Prevention/Awareness	Campaigns- Dissimination of information/Good practices (alternative raw materials and innovative processes.)/Assist	-	Ongoing	Maria Westerbos (Director)	5Gyres/Algalita/Stichting De Noordzee/Nudge/Kunststofkringloop	Donations	Van Hallstraat 52-1 1051 HH Amsterdam The Netherlands	jen@plasticsoupfoundation.org	+31 85 401 6244

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47	Project Aware Foundation	California,US	Global	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign	2011	Ongoing	A team of individuals	Partners PADI Seiko Global Partnership for Marine Litter Global Ghost Gear Initiative Seas at Risk Alliance Trash Free Seas Alliance /and a number of Memberships and Alliances	Supported by volunteers and donations	30151 Tomas, Suite 200 Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688 USA	informat@projectaware.org	+1 949 858 7657
48	Sea Shepherd Australia-Marine Litter Campaign	Australia	National	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign/Database	-	Ongoing	Sea Shepherd	community volunteer group made up	Supported by voluntary contribution/donation/online store	PO Box 1215 Williamstown VIC 3016 2 Ann Street Williamstown, Victoria 3016	australia@seashpherd.org.au	+6113006232 67
49	Sea Web	Washington DC, US	International (Asia Pacific, France, UK, US)	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Communication Capacity/Policy/Campaigns/Sharing knowledge	1995	Ongoing	The Pew Charitable Trusts	SeaWeb affiliates, supporting partners and associated organizations around the world	Donations	1320 19th St, NW 5th floor Washington, DC 20036	contacts@seaweb.org	202.887.8996
50	Seas at Risk	Belgium	European	Awareness	Policy	1986	Ongoing	members	Seas At Risk has thirty four member organisations in seventeen countries. Members are all national or international environmental non-governmental organisations.	EU funding support/Membership fee	Rue d'Edimbourg 26, 1050 Brussels, Belgium	secretariat@seas-at-risk.org	+32 (0)2 893 0965
51	Surfers Against Sewage	UK	National	Prevention/Awareness	Campaign/CleanUps/Research/Education	1990 (local) 2012(national)	Ongoing	local surfers and beach lovers	-	Membership fees. Volunteers' support/support from a number of local, regional and national businesses who sponsor events, provide equipment and regular donations/Grants from charitable trusts and	Surfers Against Sewage Unit 2, Wheal Kitty Workshops St Agnes, Cornwall	info@sas.org.uk	01872 553001

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52	Surfrider Foundation - (Preventing Plastic Pollution)	California, US	National	Awareness/Protection	Education/Campaigns/CleanUp	1984	Ongoing	created by surfers-Dr. Chad Nelsen CEO	Surfrider has a dedicated team of science, environmental & legal experts /Surfrider has 84 chapters worldwide, with over 60 based in the United States and affiliates in Europe, Australia, Brazil, Japan, Peru, Argentina, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Mexico and Canada	donations/voluntary support/Membership fees	Physical Address: 942 Calle Negocio, Suite 350 San Clemente, CA 92673 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 6010 San Clemente, CA 92674-6010	info@surfrider.org	(949) 492-8170
53	Surfrider Foundation Australia (Rise Above Plastics)	Australia	National	Awareness/Protection	Campaign/CleanUP/Research	1991	Ongoing	created by surfers	A team of individuals	donations/voluntary support/Membership fees	707 Lawrence Hargrave Drive, Coledale NSW 2515	operations@surfrider.org.au	0424 352 792
54	Surfrider Foundation Europe	France	European	Awareness/Education/Protection	Study/Awareness & Education Actions/Convince	1995	Ongoing	Surfrider Foundation Europe	volunteers	Supported by volunteers/Donations	Marine litter Responsible	cbarreau@surfrider.eu	+33 05 59 23 54 99
55	Surfrider Holland	The Netherlands	National	Mitigation/Awareness	Clean Up/Campaign	-	Ongoing	Surfers	A team of individuals	donations/voluntary support	Surfrider Foundation Holland Pluvierstraat 16 2583 GG Den Haag KVK Amsterdam: 34353005	info@surfriderfoundation.nl	

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56	Surfrider Vancouver (Rise above Plastic)	Canada	National	Awareness/Protection	Campaign/CleanUP	-	Ongoing	created by surfers	A team of individuals	donations/voluntary support	Ali Ruddy - Rise Above Plastics///////// 210-128 West Hastings St Vancouver, BC, V6B 1G8	rap@vancouverisland.surfrider.org	
57	Sustainable Coastlines Hawaii	Hawaii, US	Statewide	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign/Education	-	Ongoing	team of volunteers-staff	-	donations/sponsorships	Sustainable Coastlines Hawaii 3409 Sierra Drive Honolulu, HI 96816 USA	info@sustainablecoastlinehawaii.org	45-2596726
58	Sustainable Development Strategy for the Seas of East Asia (SDS-SEA)- Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA)	East Asia	Regional	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness	Policies/Strategies	2003	Ongoing	PEMSEA	Country Partners: Cambodia/PR China/Indonesia/Japan/DPR Korea/Lao PDR/Philippines/RO Korea/Singapore/Timor-Leste/Viet Nam and 20 nongovernmental organizations - scientific institutions, industry associations and regional programs	GEF will provide the necessary financial support to cover the incremental costs of addressing regional environmental issues that are of global significance via implementation of the SDS-SEA	PO BOX 2502 QUEZON CITY 1165 PHILIPPINES	info@pemsea.org	+63 (2) 929-2992
59	Take 3 -A clean Beach Initiative	Australia	National	Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Campaign/Education	2010	Ongoing	Amanda Marechal, co-founder Roberta Dixon-Valk, co-founder Tim Silverwood, co-founder	Many organizations	Initial Grant to help develop the organisation ('Taronga Conservation Society Green Grant')	P.O. Box 3013 Bateau Bay, NSW 2261, Australia	tim@take3.org / mandy@take3.org / info@take3.org	Tim Silverwood: 0420 668 114 /Amanda Marechal: 0438 857 263

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60	Tangaroa Blue Foundation	Australia	National	Mitigation/Prevention/Awareness	CleanUp/Action	2004	Ongoing	community based foundation	on-ground network of volunteers, communities, organisations and agencies	voluntary support, donations	Tangaroa Blue Foundation PO Box 757 Port Douglas, QLD 4007 Or Tangaroa Blue Foundation PO Box 1176 Margaret River, WA 6285	info@tangaroablue.org	
61	The Ocean Clean Up	The Netherlands	International	Clean Up/Collect floating Marine Litter	Innovation (pilot platform)	2013	Ongoing	Boyan Slat and CEO Founder	A team of individuals	supported through funds and donations	POSTAL / VISITING ADDRESS De Torenhove Martinus Nijhofflaan 2 - 18th floor 2624 ES Delft The Netherlands	emergency@theoceancleanup.com	+31647861179 +31637145480 +31637282917
62	The Ocean Foundation	Washington DC, US	Global	Ocean Conservation	Research/Capacity Building/Consultation/Advised Funds	2003	Ongoing	community based foundation	an extensive list of partners	donations/funds	The Ocean Foundation 1320 19th St, NW 5th Floor Washington, DC 20036	info@oceanfdn.org	(202) 887-8996

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63	Trash Free Seas Alliance	Washington DC, US	Global	Prevention/Mitigation/Awareness/	Campaign/CleanUp/Action/Innovation	2012	Ongoing	Ocean Conservancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ocean Conservancy • Algalita Marine Research and Education • The Coca-Cola Company • Covanta Energy • The Dow Chemical Company • ITW • Keep America Beautiful • The Marine Mammal Center • The Ocean Recovery Alliance • Project AWARE Foundation • Veritiv * and more recent members including Bank of America	supported by Ocean Conservancy/Donations	Eric DesRoberts	edesroberts@oceanconservancy.org	202.280.6241
64	Turkish Marine Environment Protection Association (TURMEPA)	Turkey	National	Prevention, Mitigation, Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Practice/ Activity/ Action, Campaign	1994	Ongoing	Maritime Chamber of Commerce and civil society	-	Donations and IMO, UNEP, The Club of Rome, ICS and IUCN with the "Declaration on the Protection of the Seas"	Aziz Bey Sokak, No:26 Nakkaştepe, Üsküdar, İstanbul /TURKEY Istanbul	info@turmepea.org.tr	+90 216 310 9301
65	Two Hands Project	Australia	National	Prevention/Awareness	Education/Workshops/promoting the development of a global reusable packaging/bottle and deposit system.	2010	Ongoing	Paul Sharp, President & Co-Founder Two Hands Project /Silke Stuckenbrock, co-Founder Two Hands Project Inc.	-	donations/online merchandise sells	-	info@twohandsproject.org	+45 22 88 16 15
66	Ukrainian Marine Environment Protection Association (UKRMEPA)	Ukraine	National	Awareness (Cross-cutting)	Campaign	2011	Ongoing	-	Odessa National Maritime Academy, the Naval Institute in Ukraine - Department of Maritime Institute UK, Institute of Postgraduate Education of executives and specialists of maritime and	Donations	65023, Ukraine, Odessa, str. Tolstoy, 6	info@ukrmepea.com info@ukrmepea.org.ua	+38 (050) 43 50 435 +38 (095) 38 30 041

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									river transport of Ukraine, Ukrainian Central Design Bureau "Stapel" and Odessa regional organization " Green Party. "				
67	UPGYRES	Canada	National	Prevention/Awareness/Resource Recovery-Upcycling	Education/Campaigns/CleanUp/	2012	Ongoing	Jose Luis Gutierrez-Garcia Co-Founder and Project Director	Watreco.com; Octo23 technologies; Freed graphics – The PLM Company; Ethical Markets; Recycling Alternative; Living Oceans; Playground Management; ECOALF; LEISURE ACTIVISTS GROUP; TERRACYCLE; INNOVASIANS; Plastic Oceans	individual donors, business and corporate sponsorships, in-kind services and grants	Jose Luis Gutierrez-Garcia Co-Founder and Project Director	joseluis@upgyres.org	(01) + 604 984 4327
68	West Coast Marine Debris Alliance	USA	Regional (USA West Coast (California, Oregon and Washington))	Zero Debris/Prevention	Campaign/Clean Up/Database	2012 (database) 2013	Ongoing	West Coast Governors Alliance on Ocean Health	-	supported by the Marine Debris Team/Volunteers	-	debris@westcoastoceans.org	858-754-8826
69	West Coasts Ocean Alliance	US	Regional	Awareness/Mitigation	Data Collection/Education	2007	Ongoing				COA Coordinator John Hansen	john@westcoastoceanalliance.org	
70	World Plastics Council (WPC)	Global	Global	Awareness/Responsible use of plastics	Action/Platform	2014	Ongoing	executives from leading companies that produce plastic resin	World Plastics Council members include leading plastic makers from Asia, the Middle East, North and South America, and Europe		Andreea Pomana World Plastics Council	andreea.pomana@plasticseurope.org	+32 (0) 27 923 000

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71	5 Gyres	California,US	Global	Prevention/Reduction/Awareness	Research/Education/Expeditions/Plastic Free Shopping Guide	2017	Ongoing	founded by Anna Cummins and Marcus Eriksen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Klean Kanteen • Lush Fresh Handmade Cosmetics • earthdaytx2016 • rainbowlight • U KOMSERVE • Ship to Shore Traveler • Native eyewear • American Spirits Exchange • Exploring CIRCLE • ALL good • Lunch skins • Packaging 2.0 • bureo 	A team of scientists, artists, educators, adventurers runs the organization on a volunteer basis/donations	3131 Olympic Blvd #302 Santa Monica, CA 90409.	Info@5gyres.Org	