



Circular Solutions for Plastic Pollution Integrated Program

GEF 8 Cook Islands National Dialogue – 19 April 2023



Agenda

Overview of the Plastics Integrated Program

Engagement Opportunities

Timeline

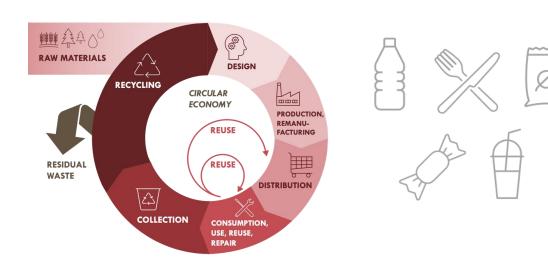
Feedback & Questions





Circular Solutions to Plastic Pollution Integrated Program

Goal: catalyze circular economy approaches to reduce plastic production, consumption and disposal with a focus on SUP in the food and beverage sector





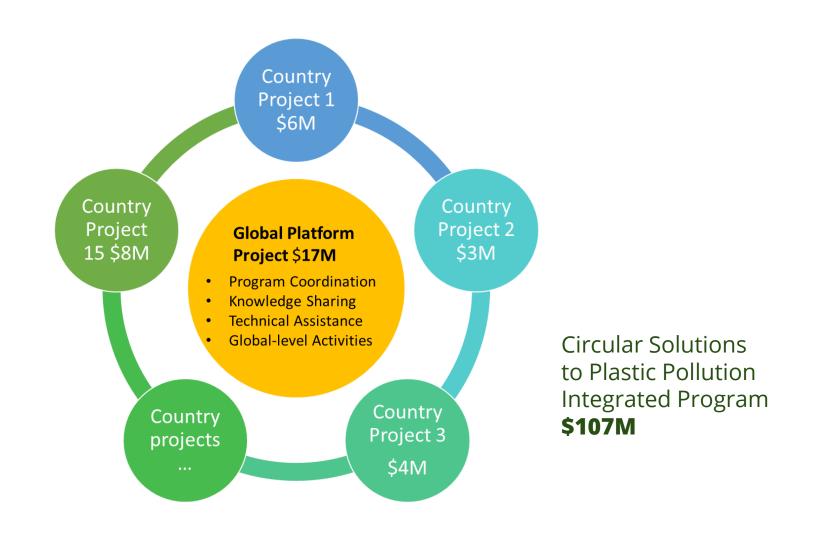
Circular Solutions to Plastic Pollution *Integrated Program*

Suite of projects...

- Integrating across sectors, themes, and drivers
- Engaging governments, civil society organizations, private sector

"The whole is greater than the sum of the parts"





Countries recommended for GEF Council review and approval



Global (UNEP & WWF)

Africa

Burkina Faso (UNEP) Morocco (UNIDO) Nigeria (UNEP) Senegal (UNDP) South Africa (UNIDO)

Asia

Cambodia (UNEP) India (UNEP & UNIDO) Jordan (UNDP) Laos (WWF) Philippines (UNIDO)

Latin America

Brazil (UNEP) Costa Rica (UNDP) Peru (UNEP)

SIDS

Cook Islands (UNEP) Dominican Republic (UNDP)

The private sector plays a critical role in this program

- Pilot testing circular solutions to reduce plastic packaging
- Catalyzing system change among businesses
- Supporting circular government policies
- Participating in an incubator program

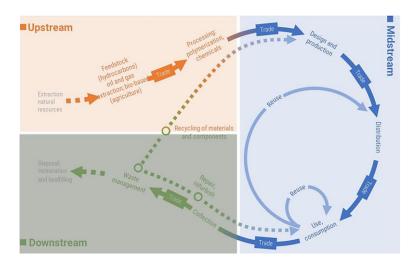




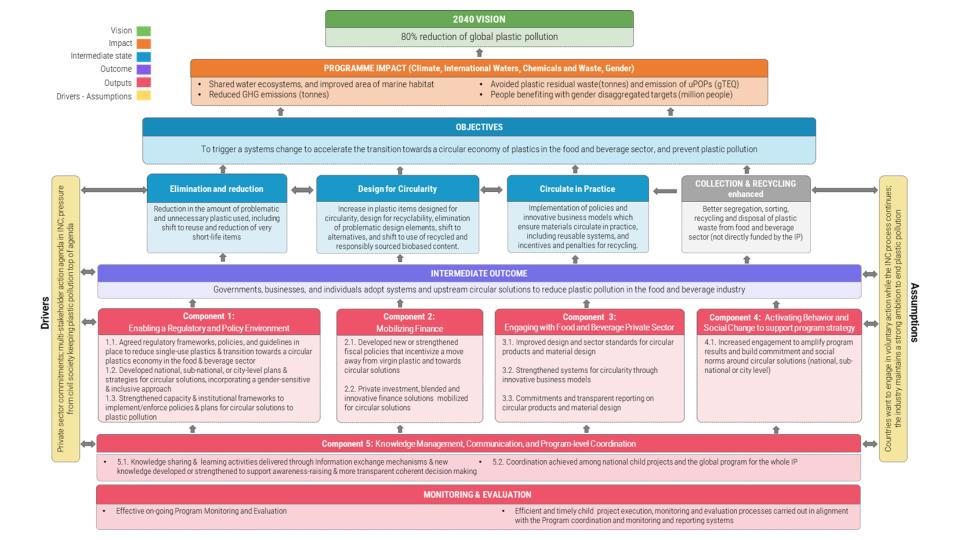
Circular Solutions to Plastic Pollution Integrated Program (IP)

This program will demonstrate and scale **upstream** and **midstream** solutions in the **food and** beverage sector, including:

- Eliminate single-use plastic products/packaging and reduction of using crude oil as the primary feedstock.
- Enable circular design of materials, products and business models.
- Ensure circulation of materials and products in practice through reuse and refill systems.

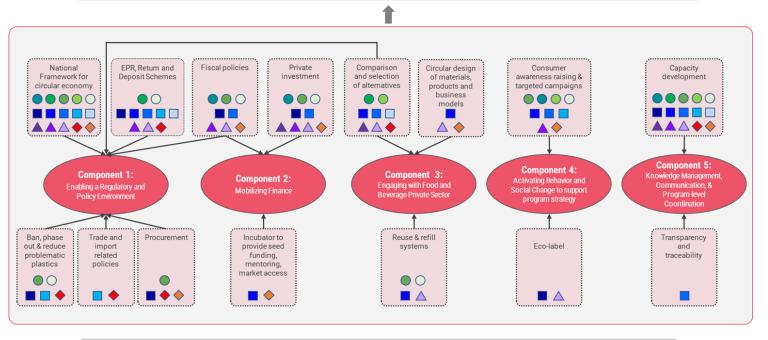


INC-1 Plastics Science UNEP/PP/INC.1/7



INTERMEDIATE OUTCOME

Governments, businesses, and individuals adopt systems and upstream circular solutions to reduce plastic pollution in the food and beverage industry





Program Framework for Country Projects



Monitoring and Evaluation

Not Included in Program Scope:

- Recycling and waste management
- Clean ups
- Research
- Material development (e.g. biodegradable / alternative materials)
- General awareness campaigns
 (communications and campaigns should support project components)





GLOBAL PROJECT

Objectives & Approach

Vision: Advance upstream and midstream solutions to plastic waste in the food and beverage sector through:

- Providing best practice program management and coordination
- Creating the cross-cutting enabling conditions needed to scale impact beyond what the child projects would be able to achieve individually
- Focusing on key transformational levers to unlock change at a systemic level
- Creating widely applicable or replicable assets to multiply influence beyond direct project work

Global Project Framework

1	Technical Assistance to national projects	 On demand TA - TBD semi-annually Extended Producer Responsibility / Deposit Return System guidance Problematic and unnecessary plastic phase outs Reuse & refill systems Traceability and measurement guidance Alternative and biodegradable materials guidance Gender empowerment
2	Addressing Global Barriers	 Private sector engagement Plastic disclosure metrics Trade and traceability Finance (e.g. incubator to acquire more funding and investment)
3	Knowledge Management and Coordination	 Synthesis of lessons learned across country projects Online & in person knowledge exchange foras (webinars, workshops) Informal dialogues to share ideas (listserve, WhatsApp) Go-to resource website Targeted Communications to amplify results Program Communications
4	Monitoring and Evaluation	Program level M+EReporting



Coordination & Governance

Advisory Council | *Semi-Annual Meetings*

- 2-3 Global Executing Partners (rotating)
- 3 Country Representatives (rotating)
- 2-3 Community Groups (e.g. women entrepreneurs, youth, innovators)
- 2-3 Private Sector Organizations



Engagement Opportunities

- Provide technical assistance to the country and global projects
- **Pilot** solutions in countries
- Share your initiative's experience with the countries and learn from them
- Co-finance country & global project activities
- Participate in Advisory Council





Timeline

June 2023

Integrated Program goes to GEF Council for approval

June 2023 - June 2024

PPG - National Child Project formulation

November 2023

Development of the Global Plaftorm Child Project ends

2024 - 2032

Program Implementation



