

1. GLOBAL HYBRID PARTNERSHIP WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

1.1 Addressing Marine Plastics: A Systemic Approach (AMPSA)

Summary of role: *'Addressing Marine Plastics: A Systematic Approach' is a partnership led by the UNEP to develop a strategic roadmap to help guide transition to circular plastic economies.*

Summary of work: *A project with four components are currently being implemented: global alliance platform for circular economy; mobilising investment in waste management infrastructure and advance waste management solutions; developing a roadmap for GEF engagement and strategy development; facilitating knowledge sharing and project coordination.*

Keywords/research fields: *Addressing Marine Plastics; UNEP; New Plastics Economy; Ocean Conservancy; GRID-Arendal; Global Environment Facility; circular economy; global alliance platform; investment; waste management; roadmap; strategy development; knowledge sharing; project coordination; role of gender*

1.1.1 Background and aim

Addressing Marine Plastics: A Systematic Approach is a thematic partnership led by UNEP in collaboration with the New Plastics Economy, Ocean Conservancy and GRID-Arendal, and with funding from GEF. The project aims to develop a strategic roadmap to help guide transition to circular plastic economies at local, national and global scales. Available: <http://gefmarineplastics.org/partners>.

1.1.2 Activities and projects

- Component 1 by New Plastics Economy: Global alliance platform for circular economy, to redesign plastics from inception
- Component 2 by Ocean Conservancy: To mobilise investment in waste management infrastructure and advance waste management solutions in the Asia-Pacific
- Component 3 by UNEP (Economy and Ecosystems Divisions): To develop a roadmap for GEF engagement and strategy development, including the identification of intervention points
- Component 4 by GRID-Arendal: To facilitate knowledge sharing and project coordination for effective delivery

1.1.3 Reports

In June 2019, the report 'The Role of Gender in Waste Management: Gender Perspectives on Waste in India, Indonesia, the Philippines and Vietnam' was released by UNEP in partnership with Ocean Conservancy, the New Plastics Economy and GRID-Arendal and with funding from GEF (GEF Project ID No. 9681). This report analyses the role of women in developing countries of the South and

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Southeast Asia in reducing mismanagement of plastic waste in the region (see [Part 1, Section 6.2.2.3](#) and [Part 1, Section 6.4.1.3](#)). Available: <https://gefmarineplastics.org/news/ocean-conservancy-report-to-tackle-ocean-plastic-crisis-engage-women-in-south-and-southeast-asia> and <https://oceanconservancy.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/The-Role-of-Gender-in-Waste-Management.pdf>.