### Global Partnership on Marine Litter





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#### Marine Litter costs

- UK \$3.9M to clean 900 km; collected 10,000 tons; California \$350,000 for 6 miles...
- USA insurance companies: over \$50M claims from fishermen due to ML
- UK >200 rescues at sea because of fouled propellers >\$1.6M p/y
- APEC 21 APEC economies conservative estimate of ML damage: US\$1.265 bl
- Our health? Emerging issue Microplastic particles as a vector in transporting persistent, bioaccumulating and toxic substances in the ocean



## ML is partially addressed by these Conventions and agreements

- IMO- MARPOL 73/78 Annex V (garbage from ships);
- London Convention and Protocol on Dumping;
- Basel Convention;
- Agenda 21 and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation;
- CBD Convention on Biological Diversity (e.g. Jakarta Mandate/Aichi);
- CMS Convention on Migratory Species (resolution 10.4)
- GPA Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities;
- Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans (LBS/A);
- FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries (abandoned/lost fishing gear).



### Background to the GPML



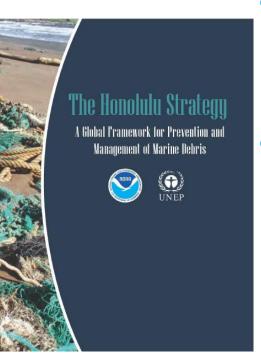




- UNEP Global Initiative on Marine Litter since 2003
  - Regional Assessments and action plans -> Global Overview
  - Monitoring guidelines, ALDFG, market-based instruments
- Fifth International Marine Debris Conference, 2011 (UNEP & NOAA)
  - Honolulu Commitment & development of Honolulu Strategy
- Manila Declaration on Furthering the GPA, 2012 (64 Gov. and the EC)
  - Establishment of a multi-stakeholder Global Partnership on Marine Litter (Rio +20)
  - Guided by HS (focal areas); feeding into GP on Waste Management



## Honolulu Strategy – A global framework for prevention and management of marine debris



- Framework which includes basic principles that can be used all over the world, regardless of specific conditions or challenges.
- Does not supplant or supersede existing activities, rather it provides a focal point for improved collaboration and coordination amongst stakeholders.
  - Planning tool; Common frame of reference for collaboration and sharing of best practices and lessons learned;
  - Monitoring tool to measure progress across multiple programs and projects.



#### Global Partnership on Marine Litter

 To address the ecological, human health, animal wefare and economic impacts of marine litter worldwide.



- promotion and implementation of the HS & the HC.
- To promote knowledge management, information sharing and monitoring of progress on the implementation of the HS.
- To promote resource efficiency and economic development through waste prevention (e.g. 4Rs) and by recovering valuable material and/or energy from waste.
- o To **increase awareness** on marine litter sources, fate and impacts.
- To assess emerging issues related to the fate and potential influence of marine litter, such as (micro) plastics & associated transfer of pollutants.



#### **GPML** focal areas

- A: Reduced levels and impacts of land-based litter and solid waste introduced into the aquatic environment;
- B: Reduced levels and impact of sea-based sources of marine litter including solid waste, lost cargo, ALDFG, and abandoned vessels introduced into the aquatic environment;
- C: Reduced levels and impacts of (accumulated) marine litter on shorelines, aquatic habitats, and biodiversity.

Other focal areas may be added in future.





#### Levels of Participation – forum and partnership



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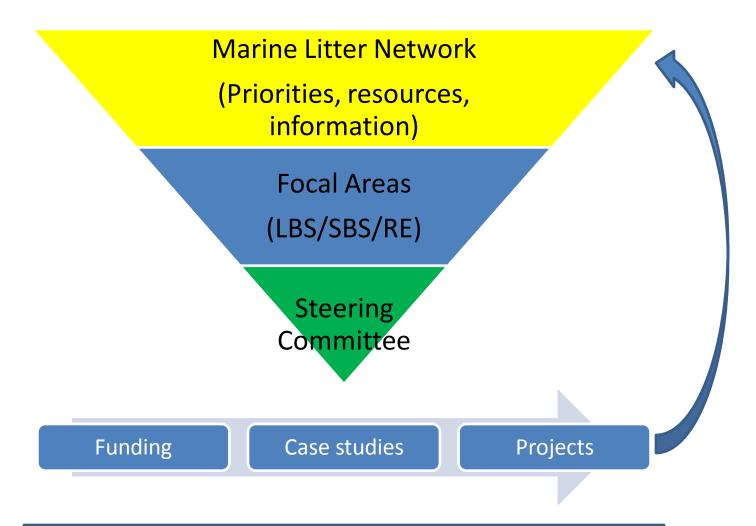


Join and Contribute

Make a Commitment



### Flow of resources



Biennial Conference

## Future plans

-2013	2014-2018	2019-2025
Strengthen institutional capacity of GPML	GPML Workplans	
Online Marine Litter Network	Rio + 20 # 163: Considerable reduction by 2025	Work towards globally recognition as the means through which global and
Facilitate regional/national networking	Decentralization of GPML	regional multi-stakeholder activities are facilitated.
ID demo projects	Implement Honolulu Strategy & evaluate progress	Rio + 20
First Global Partnership Forum October 2013	Implement demo projects	
	Community of practice	



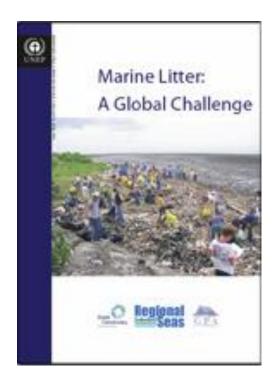
#### What is the role of the Regional/national nodes/fora?



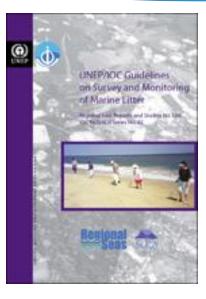
- Bring regional expertise, network, cater for region specific situations?
  - LBS: Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans, National focal points, partner organizations
  - SBS: Regional Fisheries Bodies
  - Recovery/removal : local and central government authorities
- Key stakeholders to engage?
- Networks to consider?

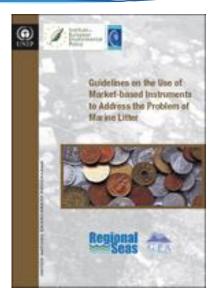


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