

End plastic pollution – traditional, indigenous and local knowledge



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UN Environment Assembly resolution 5/14: “End plastic pollution:
towards an international legally binding instrument”



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UNEA and the plastic pollution journey

UNEA 1 requested a state of knowledge report

UNEA 2 requested a state of governance report

UNEA 3 agreed to the vision of zero leakage and provided a mandate for the ad hoc open-ended expert group on marine litter and microplastics (AHEG)

UNEA 4 renewed the mandate of the AHEG and stressed the importance to strengthen the scientific and technical knowledge with a new state of knowledge report / increased coordination amongst actors through coordination of multi-stakeholder action



UNEA 5.2 calls for development of international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution including in the marine environment

Convene an **intergovernmental negotiating committee (INC)**:

- Starting work during the second half of 2022
- Convene a multi-stakeholder forum at INC-1 to exchange information
- Completing its work by the end of 2024
- Convene a diplomatic conference of plenipotentiaries

UNEP to convene an **ad hoc open-ended working group (OEWG)**
30 May to 1 June 2022 to prepare for the work of the INC



UNEA resolution 5/14 – indigenous knowledge

Operative subparagraph 4(d):

Also decides that the intergovernmental negotiating committee, in its deliberations on the instrument, is to consider the following:

“The best available science, traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples and local knowledge systems;”

What will the Instrument consider? (para 3 of the resolution)

- Promote sustainable production and consumption of plastics, including:
 - product design
 - environmentally sound waste management
 - through resource efficiency and circular economy approaches.
- Technical and capacity means of implementation and adequate financial assistance.
- Data, monitoring and reporting, means of assessing implementation and effectiveness.
- Address Compliance.
- Consider National Action Plans.
- Scientific and socio-economic information and assessment.
- Multi-stakeholder engagement, cooperation and action at all levels.

What will the INC consider? (para 4 of the resolution)

- Consider obligations, measures, and voluntary approaches in supporting the achievements of the objectives of the instrument.
- Finance mechanism to support the implementation, consideration of a dedicated multilateral fund.
- National circumstances.
- Policy relevant scientific and socio-economic information and assessment.
- Lessons learned and best practices.

Continued work on plastic pollution (para 14 and 15 of the resolution)

Advance the work of the [Global Partnership on Marine Litter](#), while strengthening scientific, technical and technological knowledge with regard to plastic pollution, including on methodologies for monitoring, and sharing available scientific and other relevant data and information;

Member States to continue and step-up activities to combat plastic pollution, including:

- Sustainable consumption and production
- Circular economy approaches
- Development of national action plans
- Environmentally sound management of plastic waste
- While considering national circumstances.

Ad Hoc Open -Ended Working Group (OEWG) meeting

- 30th of May – 1st of June
- Dakar, Senegal
- Governments, accredited major groups and stakeholders, IGOs and MEAs
 - Registration deadline 13 May 2022
- + Multistakeholder Dialogue

INC 1st meeting ~ November 2022



UNPFII report 2020/2021 recommendation:

EF: E/2021/43-E/C.19/2021/10

Economic and Social Council Official Records, 2021 Supplement No. 23

"65. The Permanent Forum urges States and bodies and organizations of the United Nations system, including the United Nations Environment Programme and the United Nations Environment Assembly, **to include indigenous peoples in a fully meaningful and effective manner in decision-making processes in all areas aimed at tackling marine litter and plastic pollution**, and landscape/ecosystem degradation, including in programmes and partnerships and in the future negotiations of international instruments. **Such efforts should include recognition of the traditional knowledge, practices and innovations of indigenous peoples, in particular indigenous women, in plans and actions to restore landscapes and ecosystems and to address marine litter and plastic pollution.**"

SURVEY

Invitation to share information on tackling marine litter and plastic pollution through Indigenous Knowledge Systems



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programme**

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1972-2022

Invitation to share information on tackling marine litter and plastic pollution through Indigenous Knowledge Systems

Launch: 15th October 2021

Total of 23 Questions

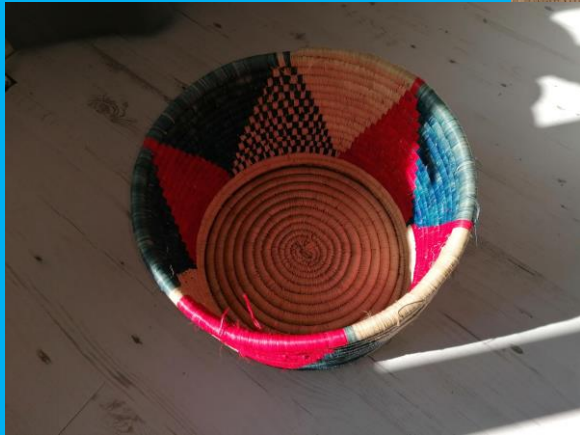
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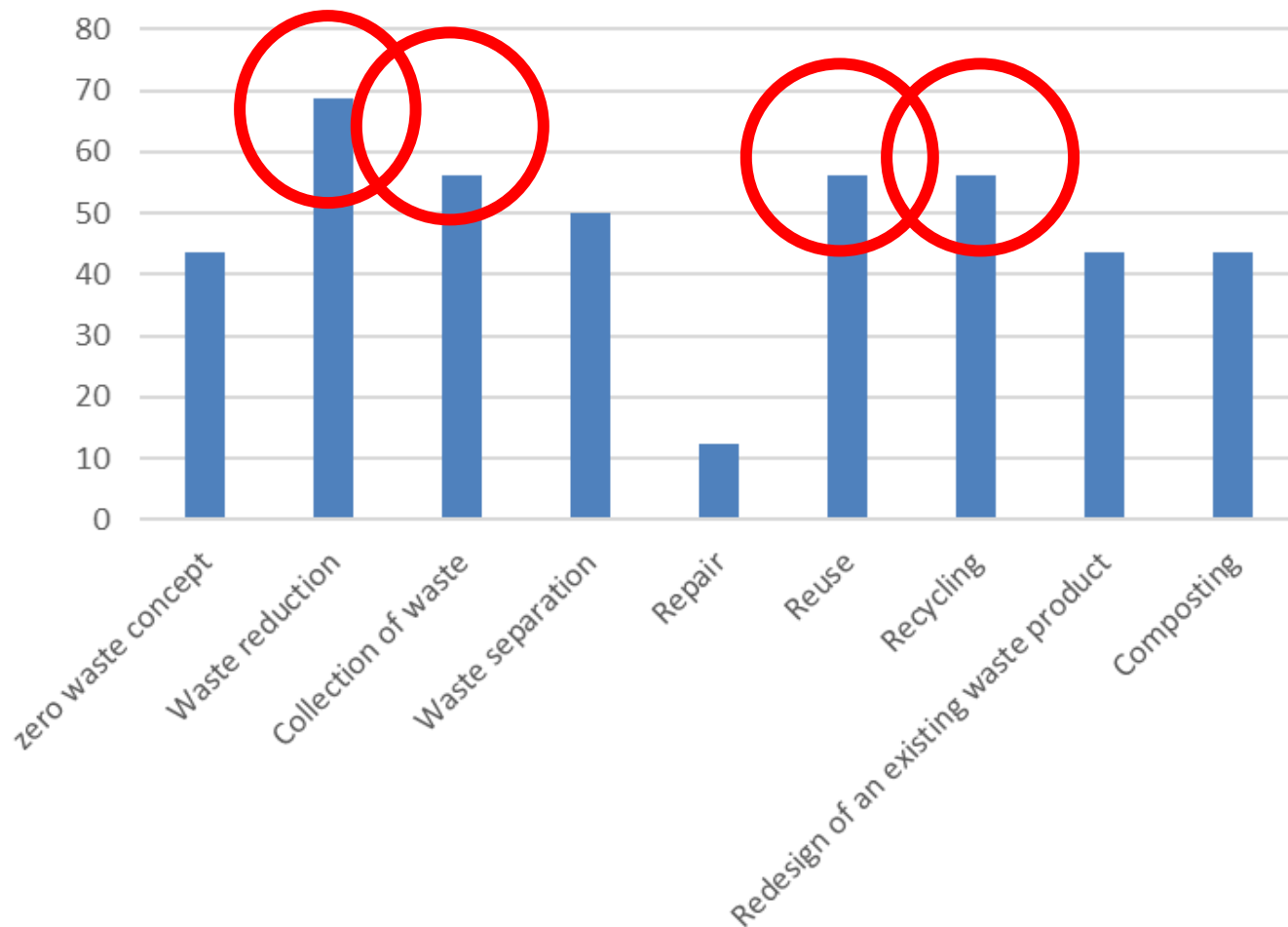


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Please provide details: Does this practice involve one or more of the following (%)?



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CATEGORIES
ZERO WASTE
WASTE REDUCTION
WASTE COLLECTION
WASTE SEPARATION
REPAIR
REUSE
RECYCLING
REDESIGN
COMPOSTING

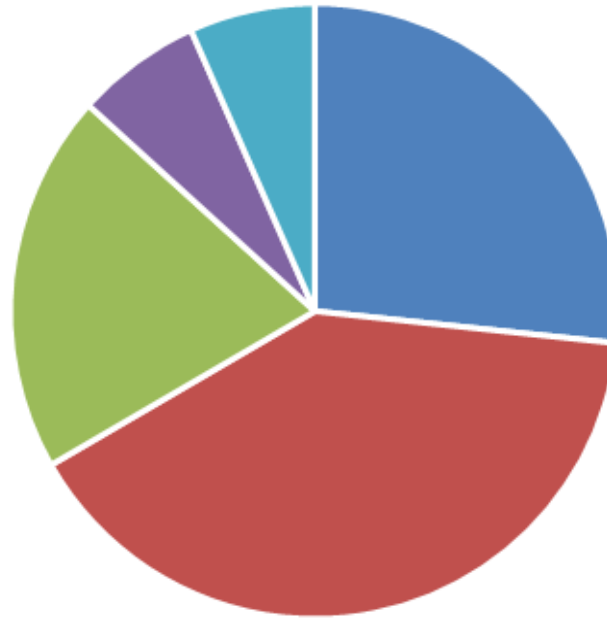


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On which scale could this practice be applied?



■ Local ■ National ■ Regional ■ International ■ Global

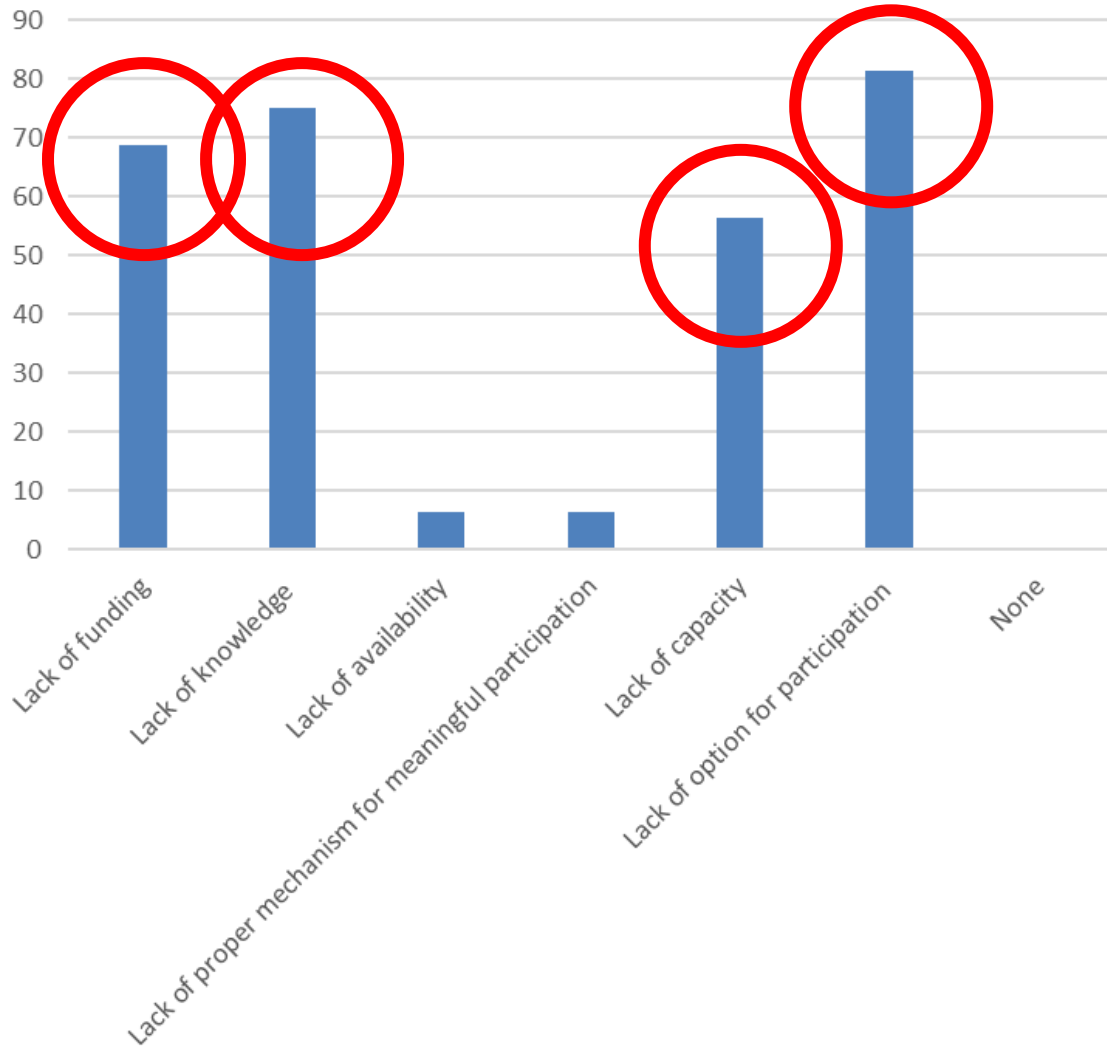


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What are the most important barriers to involving indigenous peoples in decision-making processes (%)



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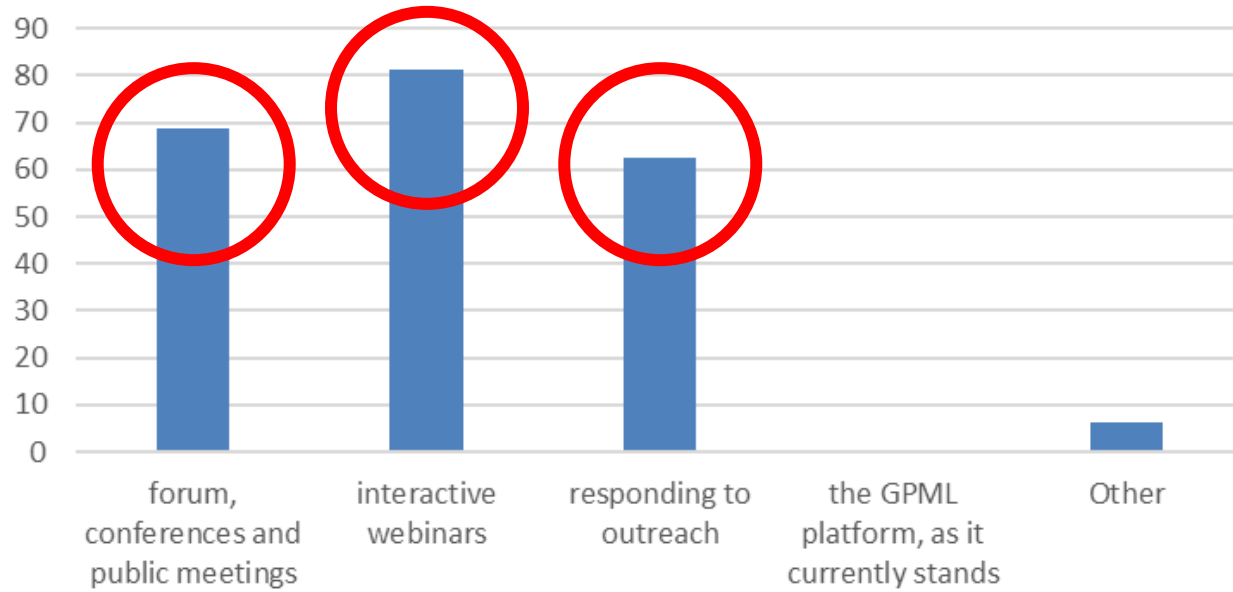


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How would you like to engage with the GPML (%)?



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- [Data Hub \(datahub.gpmarinelitter.org\)](https://datahub.gpmarinelitter.org)
- [Join GPML \(https://digital.gpmarinelitter.org/signup\)](https://digital.gpmarinelitter.org/signup)

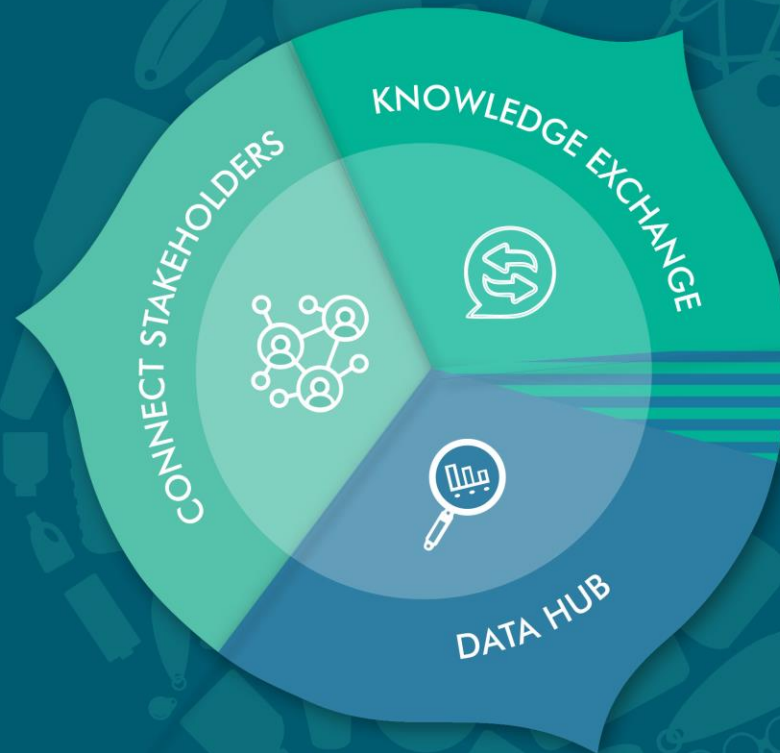


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user-centred stakeholder needs and design process

What have we achieved?



In numbers the GPML Digital Platform has brought together:

1449 Resources

247 Data sets

40+ Partners

1125 GPML Network

52 Action Plans

**Supporting
work Indicators, Glossary**

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Capacity building & awareness

TECHNICAL RESOURCE
Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on Marine Litter

COURSES & TRAININGS

- Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on Marine Litter
- Plastic Toolkit
- Plastic Bank Ambassador Program

TOOLS AND RESOURCES

- From Pollution To Solution: A Global Assessment
- Breaking The Plastic Wave
- Guidelines For The Monitoring And Assessment

EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

- Clean Seas
- Global Ghost Gear Initiative
- Reducing Plastic Pollution: Campaigns That Work

CASE STUDIES

- Marine Litter Prevention
- Countermeasure: Generating And Disseminating
- Circular Economy Oriented Value Chain

EVENTS

- Fifth Session Of The United Nations Environment Assembly
- Unep 50th Anniversary
- 7th International Marine Debris Conference

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Total resources per country

- > 416
- 312 - 416
- 208 - 312
- 104 - 208
- 1 - 104
- 0

Case Study View

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Brazil: Assessing The Impact Of Brazil's Epr Model For Informal Waste Pickers

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Challenge & Solution

Brazil's 2010 National Solid Waste Policy mandates that packaging waste is subject to reverse logistics, the system for collecting and sending waste for recycling or environmentally sound disposal. The law's principle of shared responsibility assigns the duty to implement reverse logistics between manufacturers, importers, distributors, consumers and local authorities.

The law mandates that waste pickers should be prioritized in waste management systems, both through involvement in selective collection as well as sorting and reselling packaging materials. Corporate producers have formed partnerships with organized waste picker cooperatives. The current system allows waste picker cooperatives greater access to capital, which is critical to build capacity. However, serious power inequities remain between private waste producers and waste picker cooperatives, and it will be important to ensure fair remuneration, as well as the inclusion of municipalities and individual waste pickers in the reverse logistics process.

Tags

- EPR
- Waste Management
- Policy
- Legislation
- Informal Waste Sector
- Case Study
- Plastic Pollution

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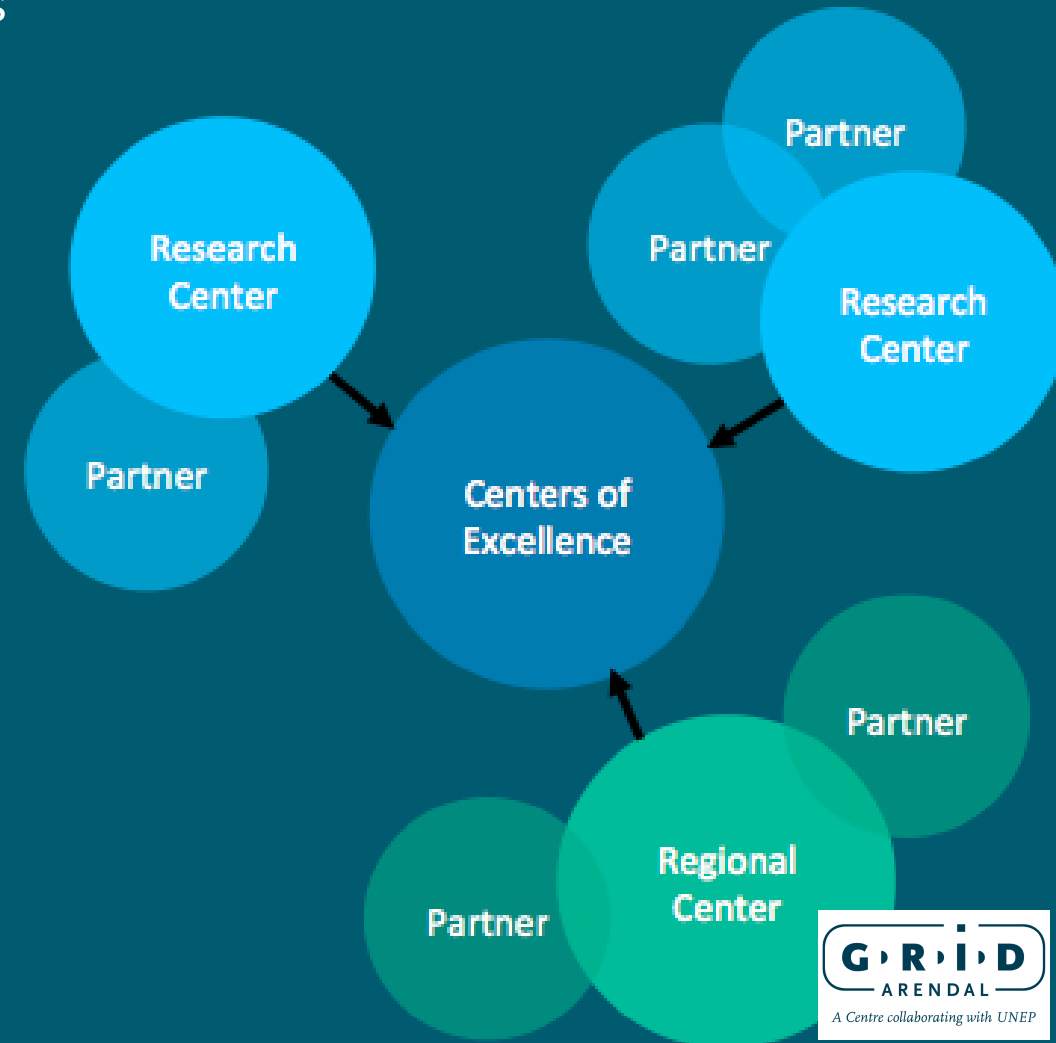
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Communities of Practice

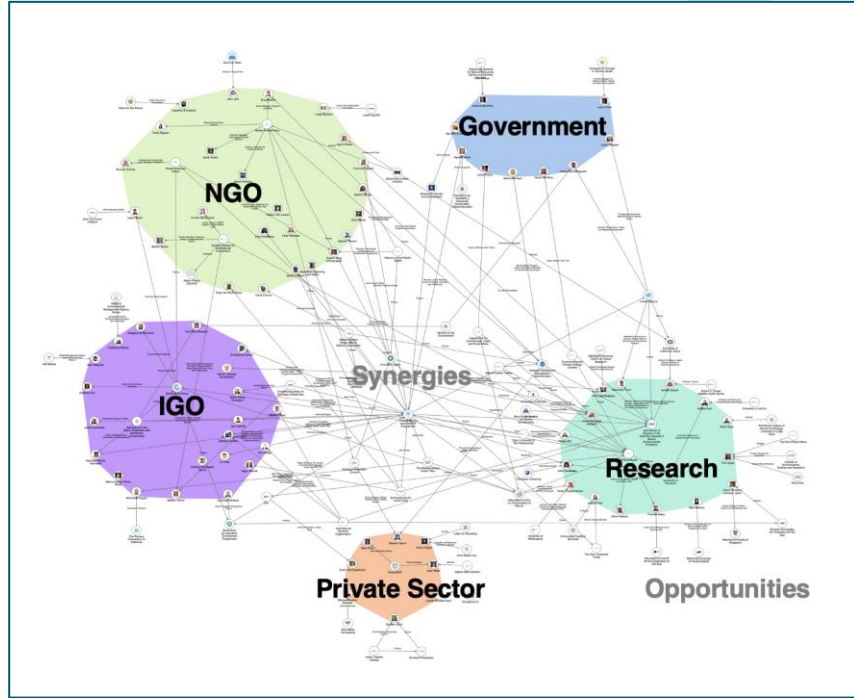
- Informal communities who meet regularly to discuss good practices or contribute to a project
- Three types
 - Geographic
 - Topical
 - Cross-cutting

Centers of Excellence

- Formal entities responsible for establishing good practices, contributing to data governance, and creating technical links to the GPML Digital Platform
- Two types
 - Geographic ("Regional Center")
 - Topical ("Research Center")



Multi-stakeholder Engagement




Multi-stakeholder Forum

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01
Science - Policy
- 

02
National action plans
- 

03
Guidelines, standards and harmonization
- 

04
Sustainable and innovative financing
- 

05
Access to all



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SAVE THE DATE

7TH INTERNATIONAL MARINE DEBRIS CONFERENCE (7IMDC)

Date: **18th-23rd September, 2022** Location: **Busan, Republic of Korea**



With contributions from the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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