

Enabling change at Local, National and Regional levels

Wednesday, 31 May 2023

13:30-14:45 (75 min)

1. Speakers

- Clare Romanik, Lead Ocean Plastics Advisor for the United States Agency for International Development
- Emiko MURAKAMI, Director, Kitakyushu Asia Center for Carbon Neutrality, Kitakyushu City
- Petros Varelidis, Secretary General, Hellenic Ministry of Environment and Energy, Greece
- Stéphane Pailler, Deputy Director for Sustainable Development, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, France
- Jayaraman Durai, Director of Global Programmes, International Network For Bamboo and Rattan
- Carlos Silva Filho – President, International Solid Waste Association

2. Programme

- 13:30-13:35 Introduction by the Moderator
 13:35-14:00 Presentation by the speakers 5 min x 5-7 (30min)
 14:05-14:30 Panel Discussion (25min)
 14:30-14:40 Question and Answers (10min)
 14:40-14:45 Wrap-up (5min)

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13:30-13:35	Introduction	(Moderator) Kobie Brand, Deputy Secretary General ICLEI, Executive Director ICLEI Africa	
13:35-14:05	Presentation	Clare Romanik, Lead Ocean Plastics Advisor for the United States Agency for International Development	USAID's "Clean Cities Blue Ocean" is building local circular systems in over 25 cities in 10 countries of Asia, South America, and Pacific and Caribbean islands.
		Emiko MURAKAMI, Director, Kitakyushu Asia Center for Carbon Neutrality Kitakyushu City	City's leading example of improving waste management
		Petros Varelidis, Secretary General, Hellenic Ministry of Environment and Energy, Greece	Two countries partners of the Plan of Action for a Model Mediterranean Sea (PAMEX) platform coalition will present Mediterranean flagships ambitions for a legally binding instrument on plastic pollution.
		Stéphane Pailler, Deputy Director for Sustainable Development, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, France	
		Jayaraman Durai, Director of Global Programmes, International Network For Bamboo and Rattan (INBAR)	Suitability of bamboo as a plastic substitute – particularly from the perspective of product, technology and enterprise options that provide social, economic and environment benefits
		Carlos Silva Filho – President, International Solid Waste Association (ISWA)	Governance, Municipal Cooperation, Financing and Infrastructures to deliver efficient sound management of plastic waste.
14:05-14:30	Panel Discussion		
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14:40-14:45	Wrap-up	(Moderator) Kobie Brand, Deputy Secretary General ICLEI, Executive Director ICLEI Africa	