

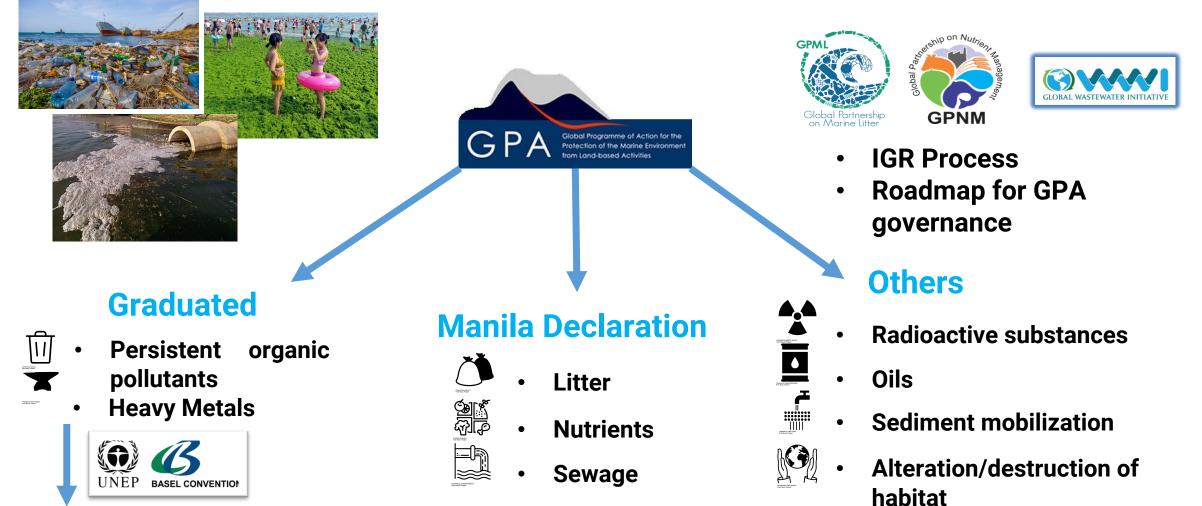
The Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities: proposed way forward

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Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities (GPA)



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Outcome of Consultations



In 2019, consultations were conducted with Member States, and informal consultations held with representatives of regional groups in Nairobi. Also, informal feedback was received from government representatives received during Regional Seas Programmes meetings.

Emerging consensus on the future of the GPA

- Member States recognize the <u>historical value and vital importance</u> of the GPA and its three pillars.
- <u>Revision of the current governance architecture</u> of the Programme is called for.

Proposed Way Forward



- ✓ The GPA should continue to be mainstreamed under the Programme of Work of UNEP, under the Chemicals, Waste and Air Quality Sub-Programme.
- The GPA Coordination Office (Ecosystems Division) will continue to support the three global partnerships, the GPNM, the GPML, and the GW²I, as well as other partnerships that may be established.
- ✓ The IGR should be discontinued. Member States may decide to convene meetings (either regularly or as needed) under the form of Scientific and Technical Meetings. This is subject to further consideration.

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Informal CPR Ani Regional Group Cor	R briefing on nual Sub- mmittee eting, Nairobi	CPR briefing - outcomes of informal consultations and recommendations from Secretariat	Consensus decision by CPR – Final	United Nations Environment Programme Final resolution to Open IGR ended CPR	Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities
 <u>Consultation</u> Cartegen Abidjan COBSEA SPREP M Barcelon 	a COP COP IGM linisterial	1st half 2020 CPR Working Group established to steer decision on GPA governance mechanism	2 nd half 2020 Regular CPR Working Group meetings on GPA governance mechanism	1 st Half 2021 Endorsement of final decision on GPA governance mechanism – UNEA [or before]	2 nd half 2021



Thank you for your attention!

Comments/Questions?

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