

Towards a Harmonized Approach in Addressing Marine Litter in the WIO-Region

Validation of the WIO-Regional Action Plan on Marine Litter

GROUP 1:

- Assess the reality and applicability of the proposed actions (for each area of intervention), for the management of marine litter in the WIO region, and adjust them accordingly.
- Prioritize the action items (for each area of intervention) and arrange them in the order of importance and give reasons for your prioritization.

AREAS OF INTERVENTION	PROPOSED ACTIONS
Stakeholder Engagement	Establishing of a regional working group to coordinate stakeholder participation in management of marine litter
	Developing and implementing of model National management plan for marine litter
Capacity Development	Developing human capacity and infrastructure

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AREAS OF INTERVENTION	PROPOSED ACTIONS
Education and Outreach	Promotion of the 4Rs (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Recover)
	Encouraging product eco-labelling
	Establishing a clearinghouse mechanism on effective strategies and practices for waste management
Operations for Reduction of Marine Litter	Improve port reception facilities to effectively manage ship-generated waste
	Eliminate, change or adapt products for environmental benefits
	Maintain clean environmental compartments

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AREAS OF INTERVENTION	PROPOSED ACTIONS
Monitoring, Research and Reporting	Testing and validating standard methodologies for studying and reporting on marine litter and microplastics for the WIO region
	Updating baseline data on marine litter and microplastics in the WIO region.
	Undertaking survey(s) to update baseline data on marine litter at both regional and national level using developed methodologies and assessment criteria
	Promoting research on alternative biodegradable materials
	Identifying 'hotspots' of land- and sea-based sources for plastic and microplastics