

# **Pilot on plastic waste in the tourism sector in Sri Lanka**

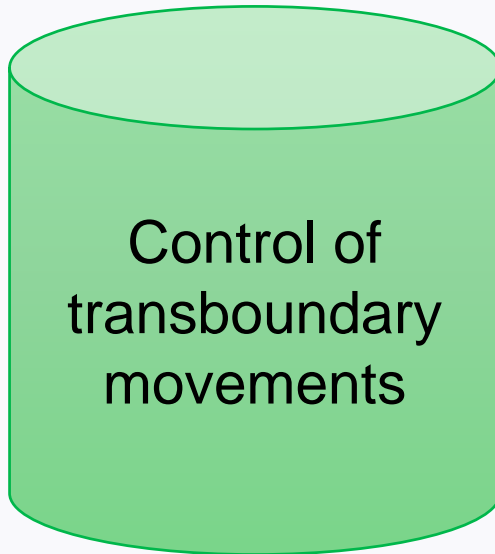
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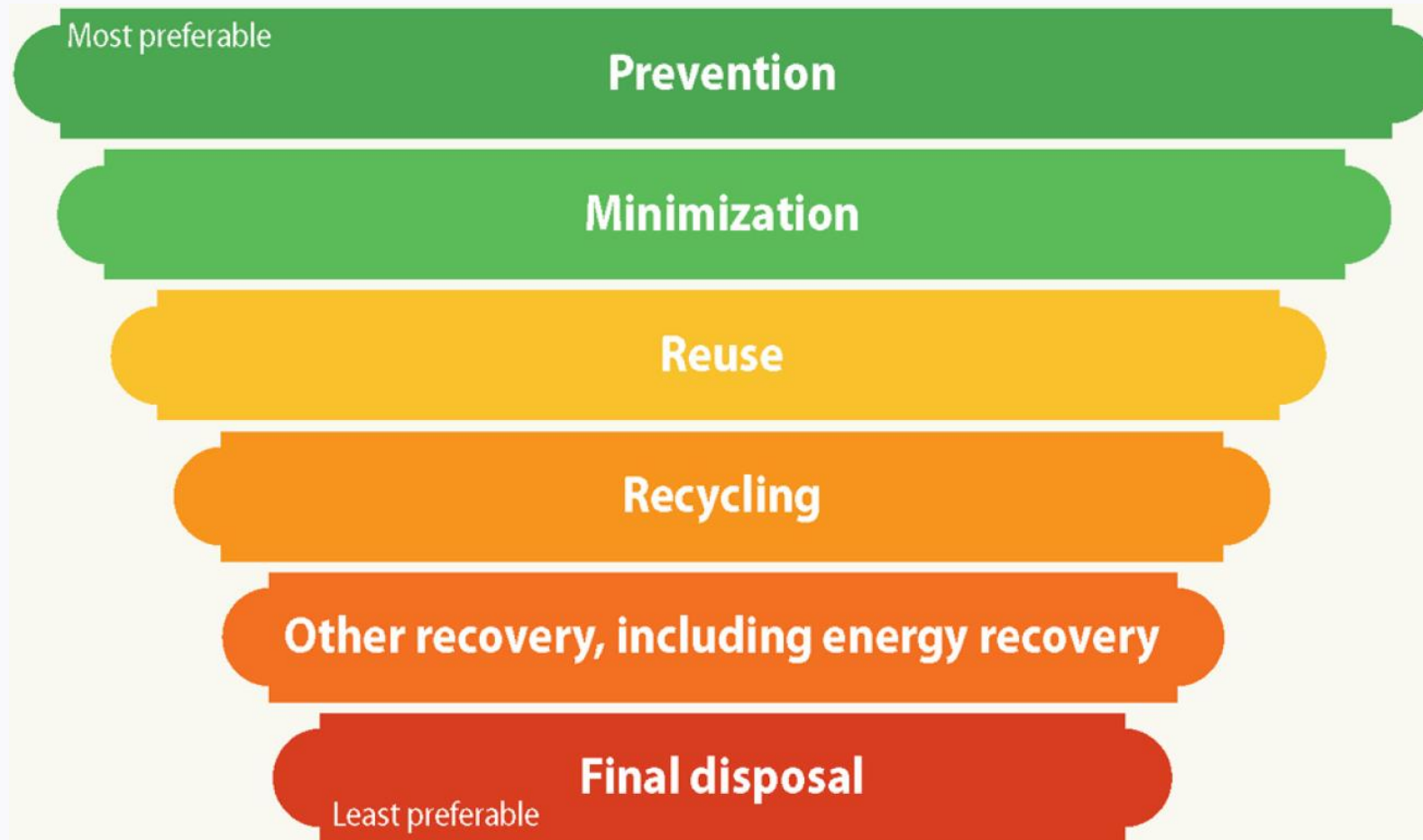
# Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal



- Adoption: 1989
- Entry into force: 1992
- Parties: 191



# Prevention, minimization and the waste hierarchy



# Basel Convention plastic waste amendments



## Annex II

Plastic waste,  
including mixtures

Y48



## Annex VIII

Hazardous plastic waste

A3210



Prior  
Informed  
Consent  
(PIC)

## Annex IX

Clean plastic waste for  
recycling

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Plastic Waste  
Amendments

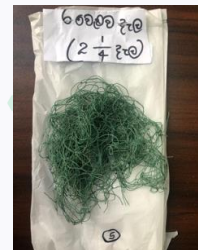
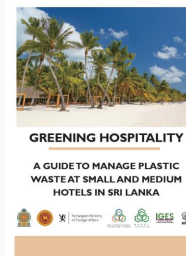
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Activities across the 3 pillars of the Basel Convention, including:

- Development of a national inventory of plastic waste
- Training on control of transboundary movement and prevention of illegal traffic
- Legal and institutional assessment and recommendations
- Pilots on tackling sources of plastic waste
- And more



Pilots phase 1:

- Education
- Tourism
- Fishing

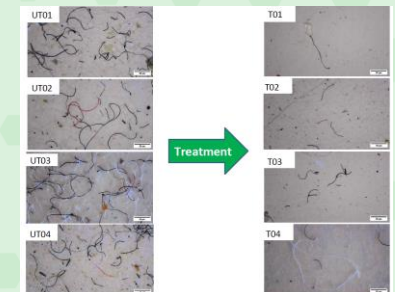
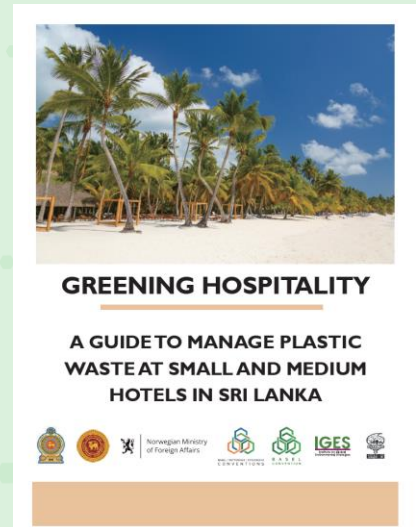
Pilots phase 2:

- Education
- Community collection



# Plastic waste in the tourism sector pilot in Sri Lanka

- 3 hotels participated in the pilot in Galle
- Action plans to reduce generation of plastic waste and promote environmentally sound management
- Guide to Manage Plastic Waste in Small and Medium Hotels in Sri Lanka
- Survey on plastic use in hotels in Galle
- Installation of micro-fiber filters in laundry machines
- Workshop on greening the hospitality sector



# Plastic waste pilots in other countries



For example:

## Ghana

- Fishing net collection and recycling
- Natural packaging solutions
- Plastic-free schools
- Reusable bags
- Beach clean-up and citizen science
- Water vending machines
- Microplastics in recycling

## Zimbabwe

- Reducing the plastic waste footprint of hotels
- Collection and recycling scheme for plastic waste fishing nets

And many more countries and initiatives...

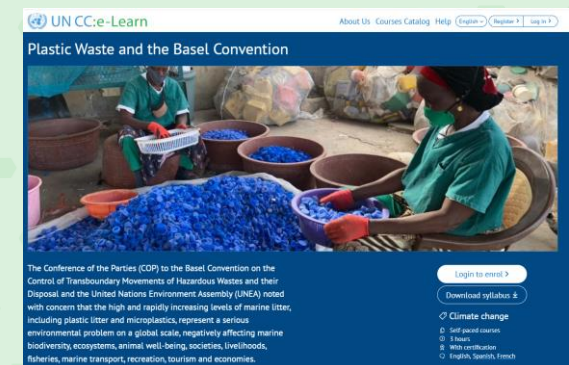
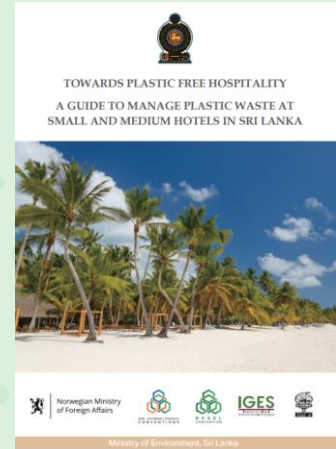




# Tools and guidance on plastic waste under the Basel Convention

- Technical guidelines for the identification and environmentally sound management of plastic wastes and for their disposal
- Toolkit for the development of an inventory of plastic waste
- Online course on Plastic Waste and the Basel Convention
- Compilation of information, best practices and lessons learned on measures taken by key stakeholders to prevent and reduce single use plastic waste and packaging waste
- Teachers' Manual and the Students' Workbook
- Drowning in Plastics – Marine Litter and Plastic Waste Vital Graphics

This and more is available on our website:  
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