



# 11<sup>th</sup> High Level Seminar on Sustainable Cities

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**Segment 1: Progress of the SDGs at the Local Level**

**Waste and Marine Plastic Debris**

**13:00-14:00 on 29 September 2020**

# 2030 Agenda and Cities

**Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable**



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# “Localizing”: What is it? Why is it important?

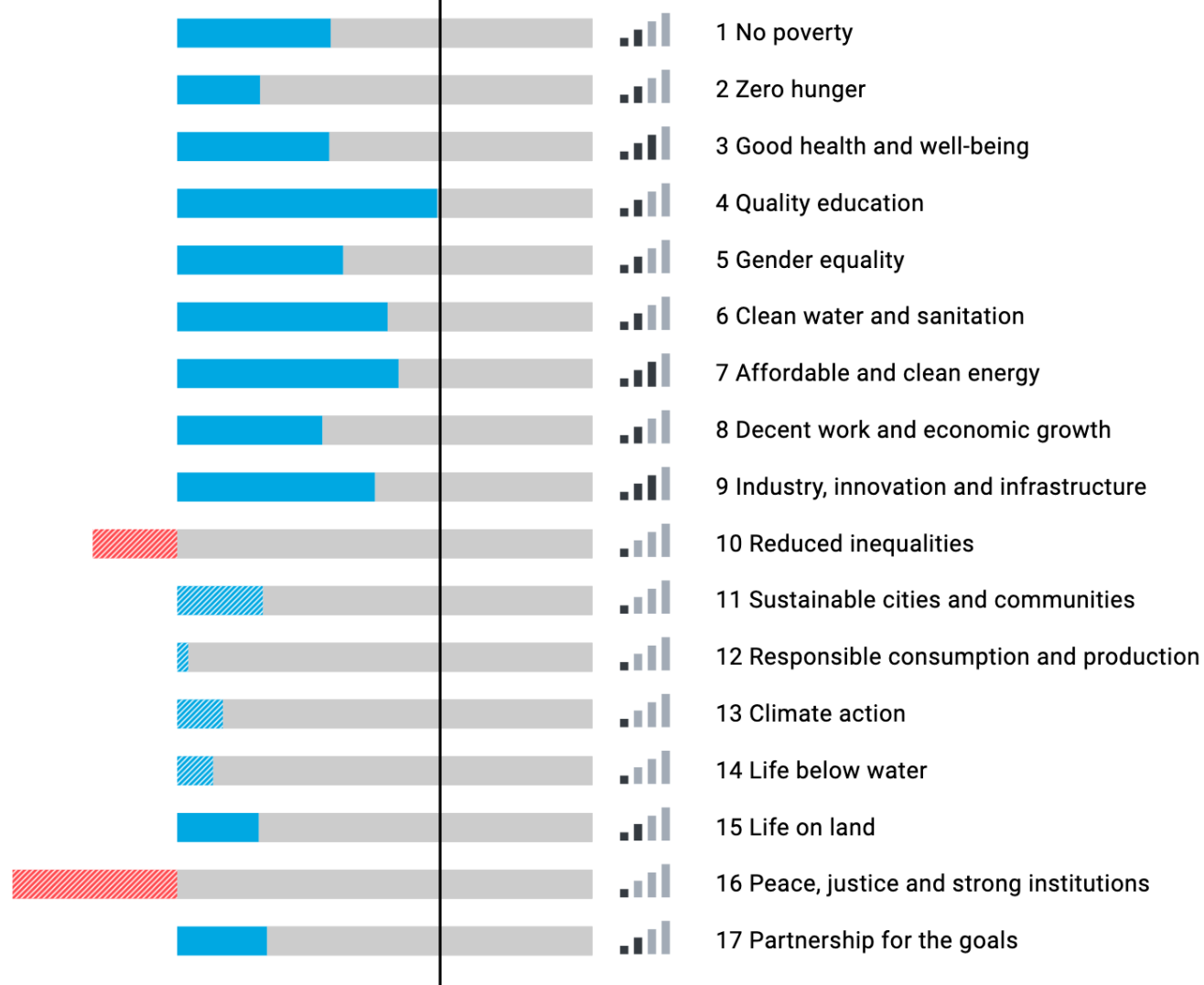
- Means taking **into account sub-national context, challenges & opportunities**
- **Is a process** – calls for co-creating solutions, for meaningful partnership resulting in more inclusive, needs-driven outcomes
- Is a way of **achieving the SDGs through bottom-up action**
- Provides a **framework for local development policy**
- Makes local governments and communities **catalysts of change to achieve global goals**
- Means planning & implementing local action guided by **normative principles** of 2030 Agenda
- Includes **aligning local goals, targets & indicators** to national & global **SDGs frameworks** (identifying baselines & targets) & integrating them into local planning & action
- Determining the **means of implementation** for action  
*(including finance, capacity development, inclusive & participatory processes, strengthening the evidence base and thinking in more integrated ways)*



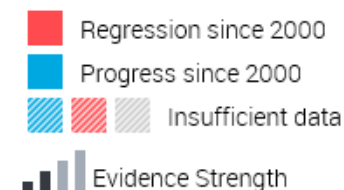
New York's Voluntary Local Review Logo & slogan



2000 2019 Target 2030



How much progress has been made since 2000 in regards with each of the 17 SDGs? The length of each bar shows relative progress of the region or subregion since 2000. The distance from the bar to the 2018 line indicates progress since 2000 was insufficient to be on track to achieve the SDG by 2030. If the bar reaches or exceeds the 2018 line, the region can expect to achieve the SDG by 2030 if the progress rate remains the same.







# An Ocean of Plastic

**49.3%** of the global plastic is produced in Asia-Pacific



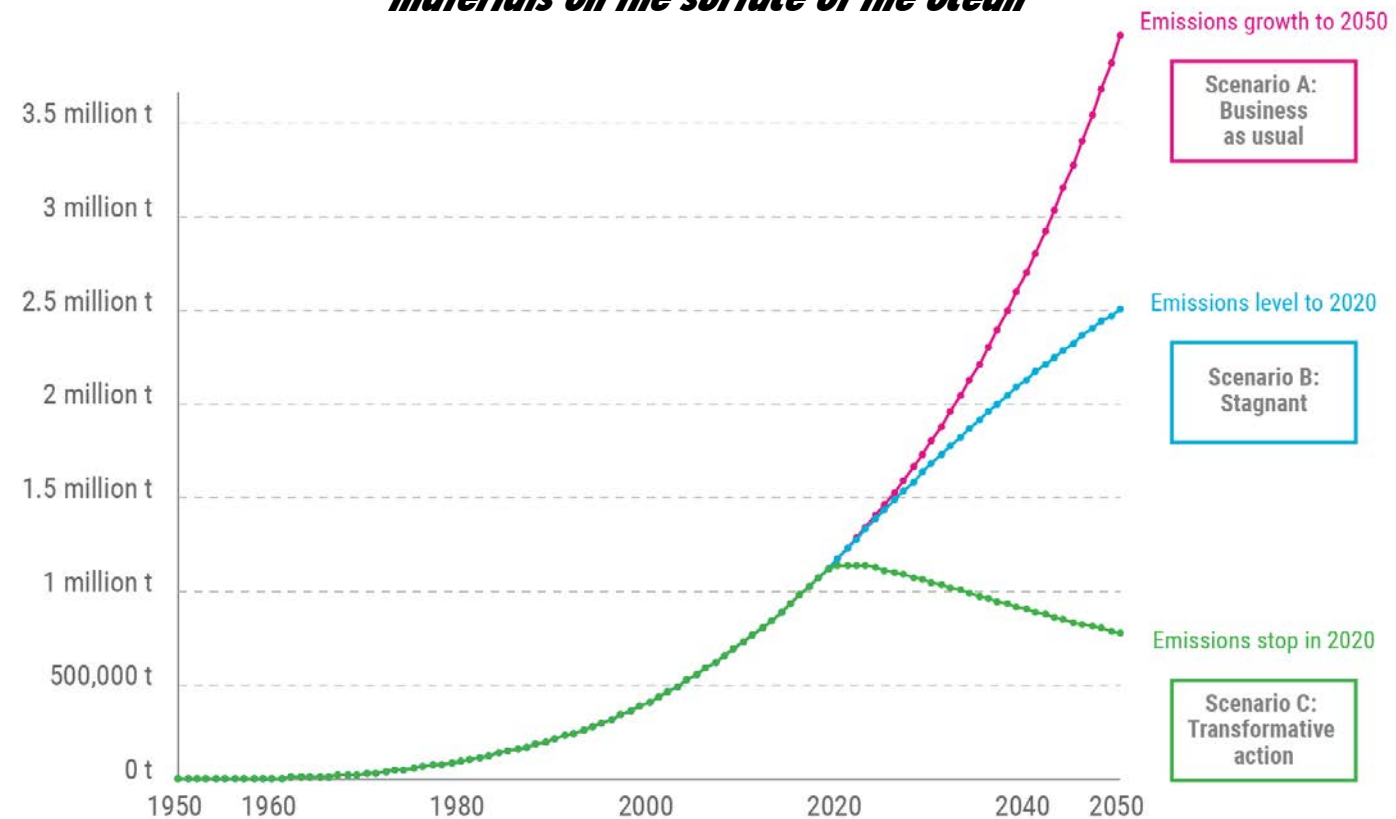
**38%** of the global plastic is consumed in Asia-Pacific



Average of total mismanaged plastic waste in top six polluting countries in Asia-Pacific: **9.6%**



## *A century of plastics: historical and projected plastic materials on the surface of the ocean*



Source: Lebreton et al. (2019). A global mass budget for positively buoyant macroplastic debris in the ocean.



# Reducing Plastic Waste



- **Local implementation of *international agreements* and *national policies* on marine pollution → strengthens multi level governance**
- ***River systems* coursing through several Asian cities contribute to most of the debris dumped in the ocean. Plastic pollution streamed through river basins highlights shared accountability across human settlements for leakage and protection**
- **Strengthening *municipal solid waste management systems* encourages shifts towards a circular waste economy**
- ***Regional cooperation***
  - ***exchanges information, data and good practices.***
  - ***scales up city to city initiatives and innovation.***
  - ***strengthens multi-stakeholder dialogue.***



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Cities in ASEAN use innovation and smart technology to monitor, access, and sustainably manage plastic waste



Cities develop policy and investment strategies to apply circular economy approaches on managing plastic



ASEAN Framework of Action on Marine Debris

G20 Osaka Blue Ocean Vision

National Marine Litter Action Plans



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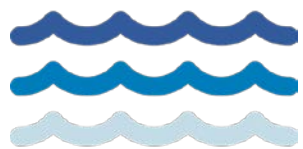
# Institutional Set Up

	National Gov't	Local Gov't	Focal Point
Da Nang	MONRE	DONRE	IUCN
Surabaya	MOEF (KLHK)	Env't protection agencies Green Space and Cleansing agency	Inst. Of Tech. Surabaya
Kuala Lumpur	MOEW(MOSTI) MoH&Local Gov't (SWCorp)	Dep. Health and Env't	Urbanice
Nakhon Si Thammarat	MINRE NST provincial officers for NRE	Div. Public Health and Env't	Thaksin Univ.



## Regional Project Advisory Committee

- ASEAN Secretariat
- Alliance to End Plastic Waste
- GIZ
- ERIA
- JICA
- Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA)
- Stockholm Environment Institute
- United Cities & Local Governments Asia and the Pacific (UCLG ASPAC)
- UN Environment
- UNESCAP (Chair)
- UN-Habitat
- USAID
- World Bank
- World Business Council for Sustainable Development
- WWF



# Expected Outcomes



## Baseline Status Reports

Review policy and institutional environment  
Capacity assessment of cities (e.g. waste management services and digital readiness)  
Develop a plastic waste flow using the PPC tool

## Digital Mapping Tool

Data review  
Design digital tool architecture and platform  
Map marine plastic hotspots in 4 cities and catchment areas  
Train, use, and apply the digital tool

## City Action Plans

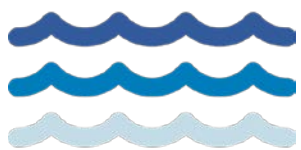
Define the action planning and investment strategy  
Identify policy intervention areas based on the waste hierarchy  
Develop local action plans and investment strategies



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# New baseline data on marine plastic pollution



Plastic Pollution Calculator (PPC)

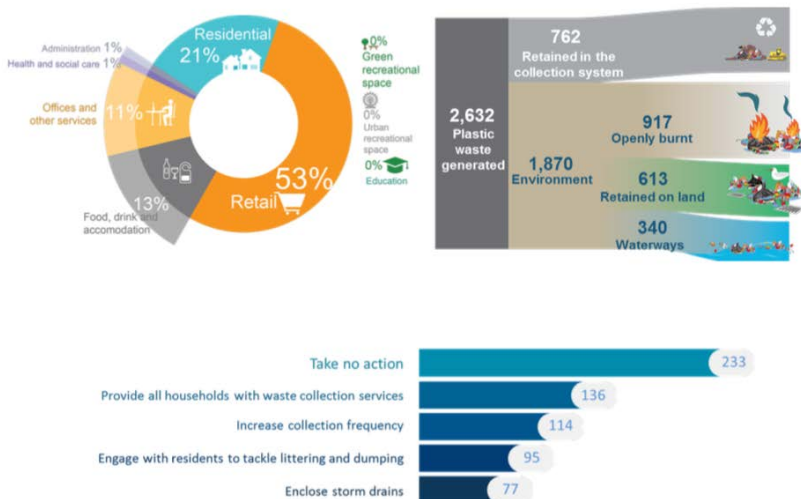


Review of Governance Aspects

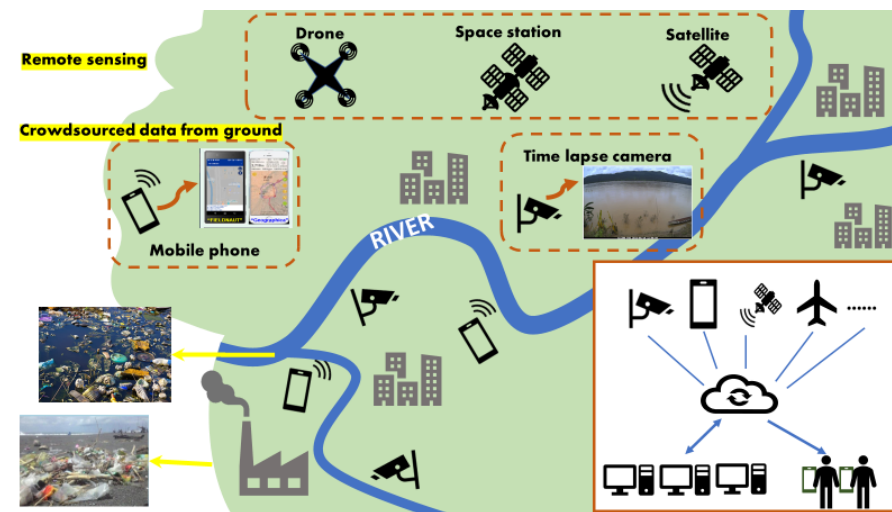
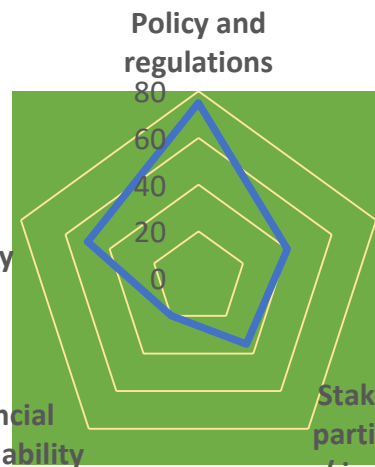


Digital Tool/ Mapping

## Sample outputs



Digital readiness and capacity



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# Findings

## Use of the PPC

- Most cities and districts do not have comprehensive plastic waste data (then, estimation is required)
- Field survey requires time and money
- Existing official data may not be reliable but can be validated



## Review of governance aspects

- National governments have specific policies/ plans with set targets, but enforcement is low at present
- Most cities don't have specific policy/ legislation to address plastic/ marine litter
- Source separation and recycling infrastructure is limited
- Lack of coordination with key stakeholders



## Next Step



1. collect non-official information at the plastic value chain through stakeholder meetings/interviews
2. Finalize the baseline report
3. Organize the initial workshop to validate the baseline information and identify framework of the action plan
4. Identify plastic leakage hotspots and mapping
5. working group consultation to develop city action plans
6. Organize the action plan workshop for finalization



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