

Zero Waste, Healthy Planet: Circularity Without Harm

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Waste is often treated as an environmental and resource-management issue, but it is also a major public health and climate issue. Environmentally Sound Management (ESM) of waste is a health imperative, and it requires safe final disposal solutions.

List of speakers [TBC]

Moderated by Corinne Trommsdorff, Executive Director, French Solid Waste Partnership

Introduction:

Mr. Rolph Payet, SG, the Basel, Rotterdam, and Stockholm (BRS) Conventions

Part 1: Reducing the health impacts of waste management

Mr. Sean Maguire, Executive Director, Clean Air Fund

Ms. Azeefa Rangunwala, Medical Scientist – Senior Campaign Manager, Health Care Without Harm

Ms. Sonia Dias, Global Waste Specialist, WIEGO

Part 2: How to make healthy circularity happen?

Mr. Filipe Camaño Garcia, Global Lead, Global Circularity Protocol, WBCSD

Mr. Mayor Mohamed Sefiani, Chefchaouen (Morocco), and Vice President, ICLEI

Mr. Mathieu Tolian [TBC], Climate Director, Veolia

Waste mismanagement is a health and climate crisis hiding in plain sight: uncontrolled dumpsites and open burning emit greenhouse gases and toxic pollutants, drive respiratory and vector-borne diseases, and contaminate soil and water.

The session will argue for a One Health-aligned circular economy built on prevention, Environmentally Sound Management (ESM) of waste, and safe final disposal solutions. Although necessary and urgent, the transition to circularity must also come with safeguards against pathogen transmission and contamination with hazardous substances (microplastics, POPs, lead).

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HEALTH PAVILION – BLUE ZONE

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