

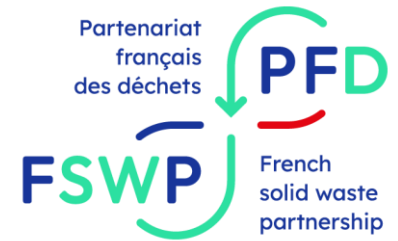


Different Commitments and Pledges on Resources and Waste Management

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Resources and waste management lies at the heart of environmental, social and economic concerns, as shown by the significant number of relatively recent pledges, declarations and political agreements documented in the table below.

Nevertheless, these commitments remain fragmented, and the challenges of implementation are undeniable. Progress is still needed, whether in terms of basic safe waste management services – for which local authorities are most often responsible – or in terms of the prevention of future waste generation – which requires profound changes across all sectors of society.




One of the challenges to implementing safe waste management and prevention is the lack of coordination both between sectors and across levels of governance. Developed following this observation, the Global Push initiative aims to unite the international resources and waste community both through the creation of a space for exchange and the development of a shared vision – set out in a Global Commitment on Resources and Waste.







Date	Pledge/engagement	Number of signatories	Context	Key objectives	Implementation	Link	Topic
2018	Ocean Plastics Charter	28 countries	G7 Charlevoix	Reduction of plastics; 100% recyclability	Voluntary national plans	https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/managing-reducing-waste/international-commitments/ocean-plastics-charter.html	
2019	Osaka Blue Ocean Vision, and the MARINE Initiative (M anagement of wastes, R ecovery of marine litter, I nnovation and E mpowerment)	60 countries	G20 Japan	Zero marine plastic pollution by 2050	Monitoring platform	https://www.mofa.go.jp/ic/ge/page25e_000317.html#:~:text=In%20June%202019%2C%20toward%20realization%20of%20the%20%E2%80%9COsaka,the%20area%20of%20waste%20management%20at%20the%20summit.	
2021	Global Methane Pledge	159 countries	COP26	-30% methane emission by 2030	NDCs and financing	https://www.globalmethanepledge.org/	
2022 to nowadays	High Ambition Coalition	+60 countries	Following UNEA Resolution	Ambitious treaty for reducing plastic production	Diplomatic coalition	https://www.highambitioncoalition.org/	



			5/14 « End Plastic Pollution »	and improving waste management			
2022	Dakar Declaration on Securing People's Well-Being and Ensuring Environmental Sustainability in Africa	54 African countries (AMCEN)	18th session of AMCEN in Dakar, in preparations to COP27, CBD COP15 and the plastics treaty negotiations	Strengthen sustainable waste and resource management; promote the circular economy; combat plastic pollution; eliminate open dumping and open burning of waste	Regional African cooperation, common policy orientations, support for national policies and African positions in international negotiations	https://wedocs.unep.org/rest/api/core/bitstreams/42dc0534-e603-4094-b76e-6a4592d3bcb1/content	
2023	Circular Cities Declaration	~100 cities	European circular economy initiative	Deploy local circularity and reduce municipal waste in Europe	Local implementation in cities	https://circularcitiesdeclaration.eu/	
2024	LOW-M Initiative (Lowering Organic Waste Methane)		COP29	Deploy practical solutions to reduce organic waste emissions	Financing	https://www.ccacoalition.org/content/low-methane#:~:text=The%20Lowering%20Organic%20Waste%20Methane%20%28LOW-Methane%29%20initiative%20is,from%20the%20solid%20waste%20sector%20well%20before%202030.	



2025	The Nice wake up call	97 countries	INC 5.2.	Accelerate adoption of the plastics treaty (UNEA Resolution 5/14)	Diplomatic coalition	https://www.ecologie.gouv.fr/rendez-vous/nice-wake-up-call-for-an-ambitious-plastics-treaty	
2025	Kathmandu Declaration on Transformative Action to End Open Burning of Waste in South Asia		South Asia regional initiative	End open burning of waste in the region	Regional cooperation and policy action	https://www.ccacoalition.org/resources/kathmandu-declaration-transformative-action-end-open-burning-waste-south-asia#:~:text=On%206=7%20September%202025%2C%20the%20Institute%20for%20Global,End%20Open%20Burning%20of%20Waste%20in%20South%20Asia.	
2025	Circular NOW! Initiative (No Organic Waste)		Post COP-29	Reduce organic waste and methane emissions; implement circular food systems	Financing	https://www.globalmethanehub.org/2025/11/11/the-global-methane-hub-announces-new-30-million-investment-in-circular-economy-now-initiative/	