

Proposed Global Coalition Towards a Pollution Free Planet

Towards a pollution free planet report: five overarching messages from ED's Report to achieve the goal

- Political leadership and partnerships. A global compact on pollution would ensure sustained engagement at the highest level and make prevention a priority for all.
- Right policies. Environmental governance needs to be strengthened
- A new approach to managing our lives and economies. Sustainable consumption and production, through improved resource efficiency and lifestyle changes, should be promoted. Waste reduction and management must be prioritized.
- Invest big. Mobilizing finance and investment in low-carbon opportunities and cleaner production and consumption to drive innovation and help to counter pollution. Increased funding is also needed for research, pollution monitoring, infrastructure, management and control.
- Advocacy for action. Citizens need to be informed and inspired to reduce their own pollution footprint and advocate for bold pollution-beating commitments from the public and private sectors.

Purpose of a coalition and a Pollution Action Programme:

To accelerate the transition towards a pollution free planet by 2030

Through:

- Support of the voluntary commitments/pledges
- Address the specific gaps and challenges faced in acting on pollution and add value through joining forces of various existing initiatives and enhance policy coherence
- Have a common knowledge platform on good practices and actions that operate in isolation

Gaps and challenges identified in the report of the Executive Director

- ✓Implementation gaps
- ✓ Knowledge gaps
- ✓Infrastructure gaps
- ✓ Limited leadership by financial institutions and industry
- Mispricing, the invisibility of ecosystem values and externalization of pollution costs
- ✓Insufficient recognition by different actors that consumer choices have pollution consequences.

Some issues for your consideration

- Not set up a new structure, but a platform to coordinate and accelerate actions
- The platform should be under the auspices of the UN (neutral platform, under the oversight of Member States)
- ED will need a strong mandate from UNEA to act on Pollution and report on progress
- Through a resolution and/or the Ministerial Declaration perhaps?



Thank

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