

Name of project / mechanism / fund	Name of organization /s providing finance	Type/source of finance	Partners	Mechanism	Region	Country	Lifecycle phase <sup>1</sup>	Summary
Closed Loop Infrastructure Fund	Amazon, 3M, Coca-Cola, Colgate-Palmolive, Danone, Johnson&Johnson, Keurig Dr Pepper, Pepsico, P&G, Nestle Waters, Unilever, Walmart and Starbucks	Private for profit	Closed Loop Partners	Project finance	North America	US	Waste management phase, recycling	In April 2014, a coalition of Fortune 100 companies announced the creation of the Closed Loop Fund as a signal of their commitment to responsible waste management and as part of an effort to increase recycling rates across the United States. The CLF aims to raise and invest \$100 million over a five-year period, which is to be deployed in the form of 0-percent-interest loans to municipalities and below-market-interest loans to private companies. The loans are targeted at projects that will develop local recycling infrastructure.
Pacific Ocean Litter Project (POLP)	Australian Aid	Bilateral	None	Grants	Asia and the Pacific	SPREP and Pacific island nations	ecodesign/alternative materials; Prevention, minimization, reuse	Australia is investing \$16 million over six years (2019-2025) in the Pacific Ocean Litter Project (POLP), which will help SPREP and Pacific island nations with the Marine Litter Action Plan. While the Plan covers all kinds of marine litter, POLP will have a focus on reducing the sources of single-use plastics (straws, PET bottles, polystyrene takeaway containers, and plastic bags) in the marine environment. The Project will focus on Reduce and Refuse approaches to waste management, rather than Recycle or Return approaches. Other projects in the Pacific region are already looking at how to support recycling and return of existing plastic and other waste.
Basel Convention Partnership on Plastic Waste	Basel Convention	Multilateral	Working group administered by the Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions	Grant	Global	Not specified	Ecodesign / alternative materials; waste management	The recently established Basel Convention Partnership on Plastic Waste will fund pilot projects

<sup>1</sup> Production / manufacturing phase; Use phase; Waste management phase (waste collection , recycling, landfills, dumpsites); Litter capturing; Prevention, minimization, reuse

Cutting River Plastic Waste Global Network	Benioff Ocean Initiative (Marc and Lynne Benioff)	Private not for profit	Coca-Cola Foundation	Grants	Global	Global	Litter capturing	<p>A global network of dedicated, passionate, and collaborative problem-solvers combating the flow of plastic waste from rivers to the ocean. This global network will consist of several interdisciplinary teams working around the world to pilot technologies for physical capture of plastic waste in highly-polluted rivers, and to catalyze policy-based, infrastructural, and societal change to reduce plastic waste inputs to those rivers. A global solution for the problem of plastic waste entering the ocean requires deployment of diverse interventions in rivers, so each intervention will be tailored to the equally diverse riverine and cultural environments where plastic waste is found.</p> <p>Recipients of funding were selected through a competitive request for proposals process that took place May-July 2019. The Benioff Ocean Initiative received proposals for 30 projects across 5 continents and 16 countries. Due to the high volume of exciting and innovative proposals, we expanded the program from 1 to 9 projects, creating a global network of organizations working collaboratively to eliminate river plastic waste.</p> <p>Each year a cycle of funding focuses on a new oceans issue, so the precise topic varies from year to year.</p>
Innovative Solutions Canada Program - Environment and Climate Change Canada Plastics and Clean Technology Challenges	Canada's Environment and Climate Change (ECCC), National Research Council of Canada	National government	None	Grant	North America	Canada	Production / manufacturing phase; prevention, minimization, reuse	<p>Through the Innovative Solutions Canada Challenge Stream, the Government of Canada invites small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to propose innovations that address specific government challenges.</p> <p>Innovation challenge categories include: food packaging, construction waste, sustainable alternatives to plastic packaging, diverting end-of-life vehicles plastics from landfills, in-situ sensing technology for monitoring microplastics in the marine environment</p>
Sustainable Fisheries Solutions and Retrieval Contribution Support Program	Canadian Federal Government - Fisheries and Oceans Canada	National government	None	Grants	North America	Canada	Waste management; litter capturing	<p>Program intended to support efforts to prevent, mitigate and safely dispose of ghost gear. Its focus will be on four pillars, according to an emailed statement from the department: gear acquisition and piloting of technology to prevent gear loss; third party-led retrieval of ghost gear, disposal and recycling; and international support.</p>

Blended Finance Partnership to Combat Ocean Plastic Pollution	Circulate Capital, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)	Private for profit and bilateral	Ocean Conservancy	Blended finance	Asia and the Pacific	At least 50% of the total investments covered by the USAID guarantee will be used for loans in Indonesia, The Philippines, Vietnam and Sri Lanka	Waste management	Circulate Capital, the investment management firm dedicated to incubating and financing companies and infrastructure that prevent ocean plastic in South and Southeast Asia (SSEA), today announced a blended finance partnership with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) to combat ocean plastic pollution. Through this new agreement, USAID will provide up to a \$35 million, 50% loan-portfolio guarantee through the Development Credit Authority (DCA) to incentivize private capital investment and new business development in the recycling value chain in South and Southeast Asia.
Circulate Capital Ocean Fund	Circulate Capital. Investors include Coca-Cola, Dow Chemicals, PepsiCo, Danone, Unilever, Procter & Gamble and Chevron Phillips Chemical.	Private for profit	None	Debt and equity investments	Asia and the Pacific	Any countries in South and South East Asia	Waste management	<p>Circulate Capital will make debt and equity investments of \$2-10 million into startups and established businesses across the entire plastics value chain, from innovations in material through to advanced recycling technology.</p> <p>The fund is in final due diligence on three deals, and expects to announce its first investment in early 2020. It will initially focus on Indonesia and India, but will also consider deals across South and Southeast Asia.</p>
Closed Loop Partners	Closed Loop Partners	Private for profit		venture capital, growth equity, private equity, project finance	North America	US	<p>Ecodesign/alternative materials;</p> <p>Waste management phase, recycling</p>	<p>Closed Loop Partners is a New York based investment firm comprised of venture capital, growth equity, private equity, project finance and an innovation center focused on building the circular economy.</p> <p>Funds include: infrastructure, beverage, venture fund, fashion and private equity</p>

Oceans Multi-Donor Trust Fund	Denmark, Norway	Multilateral	World Bank	Trust Fund	Asia and the Pacific	Indonesia	Waste management phase	The Oceans, Marine Debris and Coastal Resources Multi-Donor Trust Fund (OMC-MDTF) will provide strategic support for the implementation of Indonesia's National Ocean Agenda, including technical assistance and capacity building, multi-sector coordination and piloting of innovative responses to key challenges.
Plastic Waste Free Islands – Mediterranean	Didier and Martine Primat Foundation	Private not for profit	IUCN; Cyprus Sustainable Tourism Initiative (CSTI); Together Cyprus; Observatory of Menorca (OBSAM).	Grant	Europe	Menorca and Cyprus	Production / manufacturing phase; waste management phase; prevention, minimization, reuse	With support from the Didier and Martine Primat Foundation, IUCN launched the Plastic Waste Free Islands project in 2019. The overarching goal of the project is to reduce plastic leakage to the ocean from two islands in the Mediterranean Sea. The project also aims to repurpose waste into commercially viable products for sale, thereby generating job opportunities and income for local communities. Key regional bodies will also develop and endorse a blueprint for looking at entire value chains, from production to disposal, and at also plastic usage and wastage in different sectors (such as tourism and fisheries). These regional bodies will also be able to identify further opportunities to scale up the blueprint's application, which can be used by any island country.
European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF)	EU	Multilateral		Co-finance projects alongside national funding	Europe	EU countries	Litter capturing	<p>The fund: helps fishermen in the transition to sustainable fishing, supports coastal communities in diversifying their economies, finances projects that create new jobs and improve quality of life along European coasts, supports sustainable aquaculture developments, makes it easier for applicants to access financing.</p> <p>The fund assists various projects to fight marine litter. Examples can be found here: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/news/reading-summer-five-maritime-projects-fight-marine-litter">https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/news/reading-summer-five-maritime-projects-fight-marine-litter</a></p>
Interreg Baltic Sea Region Programme 2014-2020	EU / European Regional Development Fund	Multilateral		Grants	Europe	Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Sweden, Germany, Norway, Belarus, Russia	Not specified	<p>The Programme is an agreement between EU member states Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Sweden and the northern parts of Germany as well as partner countries Norway, Belarus and the northwest regions of Russia.</p> <p>Funding is offered within four thematic priorities: capacity for innovation, management of natural resources, sustainable transport, and EU strategy support.</p> <p>Clear waters and blue growth are two key topics of focus under natural resources.</p>

Marine Litter Projects funded under FP7 and Horizon 2020	European Commission	Multilateral		Grants	Europe	Various	Waste management phase; litter capturing	The EU is dedicating substantial resources to better understanding and combating marine litter through a number of RTD or other projects, including enlargement neighbourhood funding (e.g. the H2020 initiative for the depollution of the Mediterranean) and regional (e.g. Interreg) funding. A list of relevant projects can be found here: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/environment/marine/good-environmental-status/descriptor-10/pdf/Focus_on_marine_litter_FP7_and_H2020.pdf">https://ec.europa.eu/environment/marine/good-environmental-status/descriptor-10/pdf/Focus_on_marine_litter_FP7_and_H2020.pdf</a>
The Joint Initiative on Circular Economy (JICE)	European Investment Bank	Multilateral	Partnership with the European Union's largest national promotional banks and institutions	loans, equity investment, guarantees, innovative financing structures and technical assistance	Europe	EU	Production/manufacturing; use phase; waste management phase	<p>The European Union produces about 2,5 billion tons of waste per year. The Joint Initiative on Circular Economy (JICE) is a partnership between the European Union's largest national promotional banks and institutions and the European Investment Bank to invest at least €10 billion in the circular economy by 2023. This will support projects that prevent and eliminate waste, increase resource efficiency and promote circular business models.</p> <p>It focuses on 1) PREVENTING AND ELIMINATING WASTE, 2) INCREASING RESOURCE EFFICIENCY, and 3) PROMOTING CIRCULAR BUSINESS MODELS</p> <p>The initiative will target all stages of the production value chain and the lifecycle of products and services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Circular design and production: applying strategies to design out waste prior to commercialisation.</li> <li>• Circular use and life extension: enabling the reuse, repair, repurposing, refurbishing or remanufacturing of products already in use.</li> <li>• Value recovery: recovering materials and other resources from waste, recovering waste heat and/or reusing treated wastewater.</li> <li>• Support: facilitating circular strategies through the deployment of information and communications technology, digitalisation and services.</li> </ul>
Rethinking plastics – circular economy solutions to marine litter	European Union (EU), German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)	Multilateral	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Expertise France (EF)	Grant	Asia and the Pacific	China, Indonesia, Japan, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam	Waste management phase; prevention, minimization, reuse	The project supports a transition towards sustainable consumption and production of plastic in East and Southeast Asia to contribute to a significant reduction of marine litter. In China, Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam the project supports activities for the transition to a circular economy with a focus on waste prevention and management. In addition, cooperation in Japan and Singapore particularly focuses on green public procurement.

Task Force Beyond Plastic Med.	Founder members: Prince Albert 2 of Monaco Foundation, Surfrider Europe Foundation, the Tara Expeditions Foundation and the MAVA Foundation	Private not for profit	Honorary member: The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)	Grants	Global	Countries in the Mediterranean region	Use phase; waste management; prevention, minimization reuse	BeMed initiative, which supports concrete projects aimed at reducing plastic pollution in the Mediterranean. Since it was established in 2015, BeMed has supported 23 projects in 11 countries around the Mediterranean.
Integrated Waste Management and Marine Litter Prevention in the Western Balkans	German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)	Bilateral	Ministries from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro		Europe	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro	Waste management phase	The Integrated Waste Management and Marine Litter Prevention in the Western Balkans project operates in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro, implementing measures in selected areas along the Adriatic Sea such as estuaries. The focus of implementation is on regional cooperation and knowledge sharing between national institutions, communities and companies. The aim is to conserve natural and economic resources. At a regional level, the project also seeks to establish a common understanding of the issue and associated action plans. A learning and exchange platform enables skills to be built up across national boundaries. At a national level, the project supports legislative processes to reduce marine litter, with a particular focus on plastics. At the same time, implementation and monitoring structures will be strengthened. The ability to estimate economic follow-on costs and to set priorities for the respective country plays an important part in political debates. At a local level, the project aims to put into practice measures to reduce the leakage of plastics into the Mediterranean Sea. Partner communities and organisations in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro receive support in the form of the requisite equipment (such as containers for collecting recycling materials separately), which helps to improve the collection of recycling materials and waste.
Waste Management and circular economy – conserving resources	German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)	Bilateral	World Bank; EU Commission	Grant	Global	Global	Waste management phase	This project aims to integrate concepts for resource-efficient, climate-friendly and effective waste management and circular economy into development policy action and to promote their implementation in national and international initiatives. One focus is: The project develops approaches to reducing the amount of plastic and other waste that enters the oceans and promotes exchange forums with regional organisations or stakeholders from partner countries to implement measures. It cooperates with the World Bank and other international institutions for this. In cooperation with the EU Commission, the project advises Indonesia, the Philippines, Thailand and China, in particular, on systems for better collection and recovery of packaging and other waste as well as on sustainable

								plastic production and consumption. In selected partner countries, the project implements training and advisory measures to create environmentally friendly value chains for electronic waste.
Implementing Sustainable Low and Non-Chemical Development in Small Island Developing States program – or "ISLANDS"	Global Environment Facility (GEF)	Multilateral	UN Environment, UNDP, FAO and the IDB	Grants	Global	Small Island Developing States	Waste management	Backed by \$61 million in funding from the Global Environment Facility (GEF), with partner co-financing of over \$389 million, the Implementing Sustainable Low and Non-Chemical Development in Small Island Developing States program – or "ISLANDS" – will support island states across the Caribbean, the Pacific, and the Indian Ocean to manage the growing impacts of chemicals and wastes on their unique environments. The program addresses chemicals and marine plastics.
The GEF Small Grants Programme - International Waters Focus Area	Global Environment Facility (GEF)	Multilateral	Implemented by UNDP and executed by UNOPS	Grants	Global	Full list of eligible countries: <a href="https://sgp.undp.org/component/countrypages/?view=countrypages&amp;Itemid=152">https://sgp.undp.org/component/countrypages/?view=countrypages&amp;Itemid=152</a>	Waste management phase; prevention, minimization, reuse; ecodesign / alternative materials	International Waters portfolio - SGP's IW portfolio promotes sustainable international waters management through regionally connected community-based activities. In GEF-5, SGP will focus its IW activities on freshwater surface waterbodies such as rivers and lakes, as well as regional seas and coastal areas. SGP may also pilot community-based underground water management in partnership with other programs and initiatives. Eligible activities for SGP funding may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Conservation and rehabilitation of coastal habitats (mangroves, coral reefs, seagrass and other types of wetlands)</li> <li>* Fresh water resource use and management;</li> <li>* Land-based pollution prevention and reduction;</li> <li>* Sustainable fisheries management;</li> <li>* Protection and sustainably use of ecosystem services and goods;</li> <li>* Protection of forests and reforestation in river basins;</li> <li>* Creation of alternative livelihoods to reduce pressure on fisheries and other natural resources;</li> <li>* Capacity development and knowledge sharing among communities on water management</li> </ul> Also some projects related to plastic pollution under biodiversity and chemicals.

AFLDC: Capacity Strengthening and Technical Assistance for the Implementation of Stockholm Convention National Implementation Plans (NIPs) in African Least Developed Countries (LDCs) of the ECOWAS Subregion	Global Environment Facility (GEF)	Multilateral	UNEP, UNIDO	Grants	Africa	African Least Developed Countries (LDCs) of the ECOWAS Subregion	Waste management phase	UNEP: The Objective of the project is to strengthen and build the capacity required in LDCs and SIDS in the ECOWAS sub region to implement their Stockholm Convention NIPs in a sustainable, effective and comprehensive manner, while building upon and contributing to strengthening a country's foundational capacities for the sound management of chemicals. UNIDO: ---The overall objective of this project to strengthen and or build capacity required in the LDCs of the ECOWAS sub-region to implement their Stockholm Convention NIPs in a sustainable, effective and comprehensive manner while building upon and contributing to strengthening country's foundational capacities for sound management of chemicals and waste in general. The immediate objective is to create an enabling environment in the ECOWAS Sub region by establishing/amending laws, regulations, policies and standards, strengthening institutions for the remediation of contaminated sites, introducing BAT/BEP to industrial processes, managing municipal wastes, health-care wastes, supporting the phasing out of agricultural use of POP pesticides through the promotion of best agricultural practices including the use of Bio-botanical pesticides, promoting locally designed technologies development.
Establishing a circular economy framework for the plastics sector in Ghana	Global Environment Facility (GEF)	Multilateral		Grants	Africa	Ghana	Not specified	Establishing a circular economy framework for the plastics sector in Ghana
Circular Economy Regional Initiative (Near Zero Waste)	Global Environment Facility (GEF)	Multilateral	EBRD, private sector companies	Grants	Europe	Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey	Production / manufacturing phase; waste management phase	Circular Economy Regional Initiative (Near Zero Waste). Circular Economy Investments, in the Western Balkans and Turkey, with a strong focus on SMEs. Circular Economy Capacity Building aimed at the corporate sector to complement and maximize impact and ensure sustainability.



Caribbean Regional Fund for Wastewater Management (CREW) project	Global Environmental Facility	Multilateral	Implemented with the IDB and UN Environment	Below-market interest rate loans and credit enhancement for local commercial bank financing	Latin America and the Caribbean	18 countries in the Caribbean	Waste management	Financial mechanisms established in the first phase. In Belize and Guyana, National Wastewater Revolving Funds worth \$5m and \$3m respectively will provide below-market interest rate loans for wastewater treatment projects. In Jamaica, Credit Enhancement Facility worth \$3m will provide credit enhancement for local commercial bank financing of wastewater projects. The government of Jamaica pledged an additional \$12M, with total financing expected to grow substantially. 13 projects are planned involving either rehabilitation or construction of wastewater facilities. In Trinidad and Tobago, the National Wastewater Revolving Fund (NWRWF) was established with US\$2 million from the GEF to support the efforts of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago (GORTT) to address the urgent issues confronting the wastewater sector.
Green Fund of Trinidad and Tobago	Government of Trinidad and Tobago	National government	None	Funds collected through a designated tax and allocated to projects as grants	Latin America and the Caribbean	Trinidad and Tobago	Litter capturing	Introduced in 2001 under Miscellaneous Taxes Act. Secured by legislation: Funds kept separate from other taxes but represented in National accounts. 0.1% tax on Gross Sales or receipts – on every dollar spent in T&T. Administered by the Ministry of Finance, advised by the Ministry of the Environment. Green Fund only used for Conservation, Remediation and Restoration activities  Three projects to date: 1) Reforestation Project: TT \$1.9 million (US \$.5 million), 2) Plastic collection and recovery: TT \$852,000 (US \$143,000), 3) Nariva Swamp Restoration Project: TT \$68 million (US \$11 million)
IFC financing	IFC	Multilateral		Loans	Global	Global	Waste management phase; production/manufacturing phase	IFC private sector financing includes financing for companies involved in plastics recycling, waste management and production of alternative materials
GloLitter Partnerships Project	Initial funding for the project is from the Government of Norway	Bilateral	International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)	Grants	Global	Ten countries, from five high priority regions (Asia, Africa, Caribbean, Latin America and Pacific) will be selected	Waste management	A global project to prevent and reduce marine plastic litter from shipping and fisheries. The GloLitter Partnerships Project aims to help shipping and fisheries move to a low-plastics future. GloLitter will assist developing countries identify opportunities to prevent and reduce marine litter, including plastic litter, from within the maritime transport and fisheries sectors, and to decrease the use of plastics in these industries, including identifying opportunities to re-use and recycle plastics. The project will consider the availability and adequacy of port reception facilities; look at enhancing awareness of the marine plastics issue within the shipping and fisheries sectors, including seafarers and fishers; and encourage fishing gear to be marked so it can be traced back to its owner if discarded.  The GloLitter project will include private sector participation through a global industry

						to spearhead the project.		<p>alliance and is seeking partners from major maritime and fisheries companies.</p> <p>At country level, GloLitter will expand government and port management capacities and instigate legal, policy and institutional reforms. Regional cooperation will also be enhanced.</p>
Global Plastics Action Partnership (GPAP)	Initial funding from UK Government (DEFRA). Additional funding from the Canadian Government, and funding from Pepsico, Coca-Cola, Nestle and Dow Chemicals.	Bilateral, with additional private sector funding	Initiated by the Platform for Accelerating the Circular Economy (PACE). Hosted at the World Economic Forum.	Grants	Global	Currently: Indonesia, Ghana, Viet Nam. Other examples could be added to this list, depending on the capacity and additional resourcing brought into the Partnership.	All	<p>The Global Plastic Action Partnership (GPAP) was forged as a structured global platform for plastic action that enables public, private and civil society leaders and their initiatives to come together. Our common goal is to drive the transition towards a circular plastics economy while helping to restore our natural systems and creating growth opportunities.</p> <p>This investment will support the delivery of ambitions under the Commonwealth Clean Ocean Alliance. The Partnership provides a public-private collaboration platform to help translate political commitments to address plastic pollution into tangible strategies and investible actions plans. The outputs will be: a global plastics collaboration platform; support for national action partnerships to develop fact-based action plans; mobilizing funding of plastics action projects; engaging and leveraging existing expertise among partners; exchanging knowledge and learning to advance systems change. The first collaboration is with the Government of Indonesia. Collaborations in two other coastal nations (one in West Africa and a small island developing state) will be announced in coming months. Other examples could be added to this list, depending on the capacity and additional resourcing brought into the Partnership.</p>
Seychelles Blue Bond	Issued by Seychelles Government	National government	World Bank, Global Environment Facility	Blue bond	Africa	Seychelles	Not specified	<p>The sovereign blue bond was issued with a ceiling value of US\$15 million, with a maturity of 10 years. The blue bond, as well as the program of marine and ocean-related activities it will support, was prepared with assistance from the World Bank and the Global Environment Facility. This support includes a partial World Bank guarantee (\$5 million) and a concessional loan from the Global Environment Facility (\$5 million), which will partially subsidize payment of the bond coupons. These credit enhancement instruments allowed for a reduction of the price of the bond by partially derisking the investment of the impact investors, but also by reducing the effective interest rate for Seychelles by subsidizing the coupons.</p> <p>The proceeds will be used to capitalize a Blue Grants Fund (\$3 million) and a Blue Investment Fund (\$12 million), each of which will provide financing for marine and ocean-related activities that contribute to the transition to sustainable fishers. These proceeds will be managed by the Seychelles Conservation and Climate Adaptation Trust (SeyCCAT), which will administer grants from the Blue Grants Fund, and the Development Bank of Seychelles (DBS), which will administer loans from the Blue Investment Fund. The two funds are designed to complement each other.</p>

"MARINE" Initiative	Japan	Bilateral	None	Grants	Asia and the Pacific	Developing countries, focus on South East Asia	Ecodesign/alternative materials; waste management phase; litter capturing	Toward realization of the "Osaka Blue Ocean Vision" that aims to reduce additional pollution by marine plastic litter to zero by 2050, which was shared at the G20 Osaka Summit, Prime Minister Abe announced that Japan will support developing countries' efforts including their capacity building and infrastructure development in the area of waste management at the summit. To this end, the Government of Japan has launched the "MARINE Initiative" to advance effective actions to combat marine plastic litter at a global scale focusing on (1) Management of wastes, (2) Recovery of marine litter, (3) Innovation, and (4) Empowerment.
Promotion of Countermeasures Against Marine Plastic Litter in Southeast Asia and India	Japan	Bilateral	UNEP	Grants	Asia and the Pacific	Several countries in Southeast Asia, India	Production site leakage / losses; waste management phase	'Promotion of Countermeasures Against Marine Plastic Litter in Southeast Asia and India,' will develop a model for plastic leakage and monitor leakage hotspots along the Ganges and Mekong rivers. The initiative will also enhance information and knowledge on how to develop and implement countermeasures against marine plastic litter. Selected cities and local and provincial governments in India will also receive support to stop plastic pollution.
Clean Oceans Initiative	KfW Group on behalf of the German Federal Government, the European Investment Bank (EIB) and the Agence Française de Développement (AFD)	Multilateral	Spanish Promotional Bank (ICO)	Long term loan financing for the public sector (sovereign and sub-sovereign), Investment grants, Long term financing to corporates, Project finance, Technical Assistance programmes	Global	Global, but particular focus on operations in riverine and coastal areas in developing countries in Asia, Africa and the Middle East. Includes Sri Lanka, Togo, Benin, Argentina, South Africa, China	Waste management	Clean Oceans Initiative to support the development and implementation of sustainable projects that will reduce pollution in the world's oceans over the next five years. This partnership will provide EUR 2 billion long-term financing for projects aiming at reducing marine litter, especially plastics, as well as untreated wastewater discharge, with a view to crowding-in private sector investment.  The Clean Oceans Initiative will notably target the following sectors: - Collection, pre-treatment and recycling of waste and particularly plastics collected on land, from rivers and from the sea; - Improved waste management in ports and harbours to support the reduction of marine littering from ships and transport on water; - Support to plastic prevention measures, market development for recycling plastics and other materials and public awareness building; - Support to the implementation of wastewater treatment plants that enable reduction in the discharge of plastics and other pollutants to rivers and oceans.
Nessling Foundation Scientific Research Grants	Maj and Tor Nessling Foundation	Private not for profit	None	Grant	Global	Any country, but must have a link to Finland's environmental objectives	All	The Foundation primarily awards funding for solution-oriented postdoc projects and doctoral thesis projects whose results have a systematic and scalable impact on the progress of environmental protection. We also support the communication and implementation of researched environmental information to society.  The topics covered by the grant include water risks and chemicalization and pollution.

Ocean Solutions Accelerator	Marc and Lynne Benioff as well as other private donors.	Private not for profit	Programme of the Sustainable Ocean Alliance	Equity investment	Global	Global	Ecodesign / alternative materials; litter capturing	The Ocean Solution Accelerator partners with founders to provide the guidance and resources needed to scale their businesses. We provide startups with US\$25,000 investment and access to an 8-week leadership and development program in the San Francisco Bay Area. Committed to accelerating 100 ocean technology startups by 2021.
The Saint Lucia National Conservation Fund (SLUNCF)	Massy Stores Saint Lucia	Private not for profit	SLUNCF	Grants	Latin America and the Caribbean	St Lucia	Waste management phase	Incorporated in 2016, the Saint Lucia National Conservation Fund (SLUNCF) is dedicated to the conservation, restoration, and effective management of Saint Lucia's biodiversity and natural resources. The Saint Lucia National Conservation Fund (SLUNCF) has announced a Call For Proposals for Projects on the Management of Plastic Waste.
AI for Earth Grant	Microsoft	Private not for profit	None	Grant	Global	Global	All	AI for Earth awards grants to support projects that use AI to change the way people and organizations monitor, model, and manage Earth's natural systems. Focus areas: climate, agriculture, biodiversity, and water.
Innovation Challenge - Ocean Plastic	National Geographic Society	Private not for profit	Sky Ocean Ventures	Grant and investment	Global	Global	Production / manufacturing phase; prevention, minimization, reuse	<p>Three teams from Chile, France, and Germany have been announced as the winners of the National Geographic and Sky Ocean Ventures Ocean Plastic Innovation Challenge. Launched in February 2019, the Ocean Plastic Innovation Challenge is a competition that asked problem solvers from around the globe to develop novel solutions to tackle the world's plastic waste crisis.</p> <p>The three winning teams (Circular Economy: Algramo (Chile), Design: Qwarzo (France), Data Visualisation: #PerpetualPlastic (Germany)) have been recognized for their work in addressing the global issue of plastic pollution by providing alternatives to single-use plastic products, encouraging businesses to adopt a sustainable circular economy approach and developing visualizations to depict the issue of plastic pollution to catalyze action.</p> <p>Whilst NatGeo provides funding for a vast range of projects, it recently conducted the Innovation Challenge for Ocean Plastic.</p> <p>Reducing Ocean Plastic Pollution - RFP will support projects that are directly addressing the threat of plastic pollution in our waterways—before it reaches the ocean - coming soon.</p>

Waste Minimisation and Innovation Fund	New Zealand Ministry of Environment	National government	Auckland Council	Grant	Asia and the Pacific	New Zealand	Prevention, minimization, reuse	<p>The purpose of the Waste Minimisation Fund is to boost New Zealand's performance in waste minimisation. There is considerable scope to reduce waste and increase the recovery of useful resources from waste. Lifting our performance in recovering economic value from waste also provides environmental, social and cultural benefits and reduces the risks of harm from waste.</p> <p>This will require investment in infrastructure and systems for waste minimisation and developing educational and promotional capacity. The purpose of the fund is to provide some of the funding to ensure that this occurs.</p> <p>The waste disposal levy provides the revenue for the fund.</p>
Marine litter and microplastics: Promoting the environmentally sound management of plastic wastes and achieving the prevention and minimization of the generation of plastic wastes	NORAD	Bilateral	Basel, Rotterdam & Stockholm Conventions (BRS)	Grants	Global	Global but focus on Bangladesh and Ghana	Waste management phase; Prevention, minimization, reuse	<p>The Norad-funded project Marine litter and microplastics: Promoting the environmentally sound management of plastic wastes and achieving the prevention and minimization of the generation of plastic wastes (BRS-Norad-1 project) seeks to prevent and reduce marine litter and microplastics by strengthening capacity in Bangladesh and Ghana as well as at the regional and global levels.</p> <p>The objectives of the project are tightly aligned with those of many development agencies tackling the problem of plastic waste, marine litter and microplastic: 1) Prevent and significantly reduce marine litter and microplastics from sources in partner countries; 2) Infrastructure and systems for waste management, including material recycling, for waste from land-based activities in partner countries are improved; 3) Global commitments and national and regional instruments to prevent marine litter and microplastics are strengthened.</p> <p>The "Norad-Project" is implemented in Ghana and Bangladesh, in cooperation with Basel and Stockholm convention regional centers in Indonesia and Nigeria.</p>
Further actions to address plastic waste under the Basel Convention	NORAD	Bilateral	Basel, Rotterdam & Stockholm Conventions (BRS)	Grants	Global	BRS partner countries	Waste management	To assist partner countries to improve their management of plastic waste (BRS-Norad-2 project)
Pilot projects on plastic waste as part of the Basel Convention's small grants programme	NORAD	Bilateral	Basel, Rotterdam & Stockholm Conventions (BRS)	Grants	Global	Not specified	Waste management	A number of pilot projects on plastic waste will be implemented via the regional centres in 2020-2022 via the Basel Convention's small grants programme.

ProBLUE	Norway, Sweden, Iceland, France, Germany, Canada, European Commission and the United States.	Multilateral	World Bank	Trust Fund	Global	Global. Early commitments in East Asia.	Not specified	<p>A global Multi-Donor Trust Fund, that was launched in 2018, with a strong focus on marine litter. Some of the early commitments will be for East Asia, as one of the first movers.</p> <p>ROBLUE is a new Umbrella Multi-Donor Trust Fund (MDTF), housed at the World Bank, that supports healthy and productive oceans. PROBLUE supports implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14 (SDG 14) and is fully aligned with the World Bank's twin goals of ending extreme poverty and increasing the income and welfare of the poor in a sustainable way. PROBLUE is part of the World Bank's overall Blue Economy program, which takes a multi-pronged, coordinated approach to ensuring the protection and sustainable use of marine and coastal resources.</p> <p>PROBLUE focuses on four key themes:  the management of fisheries and aquaculture  the threats posed to ocean health by marine pollution, including litter and plastics  the sustainable development of key oceanic sectors such as tourism, maritime transport and off-shore renewable energy  building the capacity of governments to manage their marine and coastal resources in an integrated fashion to deliver more and long-lasting benefits to countries and communities, including the role of nature-based solutions to climate change.</p>
Global Partnership on Marine Litter	Norway, Sweden, Iceland, France, Germany, Canada, European Commission and the United States.	Multilateral	Multi-stakeholder partnership - any entity working to prevent and reduce marine litter can join the Partnership	Grants	Global	Global	All	<p>The Global Partnership of Marine Litter (GPML) is a multi-stakeholder partnership that provides a unique mechanism to bring together all actors working to prevent marine litter and microplastics, with the aim of sharing knowledge and experience and advancing solutions to this pressing global issue. Its mission is to protect the global marine environment, human wellbeing and animal welfare by addressing the global problem of marine litter, in line with Target 14.1 of the Sustainable Development Goals: "by 2025, prevent and significantly reduce marine pollution of all kinds (...)".</p>
Plastic Waste Free Islands	Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD); The Didier and Martine Primat Foundation	Bilateral; private not for profit	IUCN	Grant	Global	Six small island developing states (SIDS) - three from the Pacific and three from the Caribbean	Production / manufacturing phase; waste management phase; prevention, minimization, reuse	<p>With support from the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD), IUCN launched the Plastic Waste Free Islands project in 2019. The overarching goal of the project is to reduce plastic leakage to the ocean from six small island developing states (SIDS) - three from the Pacific and three from the Caribbean. The project also aims to repurpose waste into commercially viable products, thereby generating job opportunities and income for local communities. Key regional bodies will also develop and endorse a blueprint for looking at entire value chains, from production to disposal, and also at plastic usage and wastage in different sectors (such as tourism and fisheries). These regional bodies will be able to identify further opportunities to scale up the blueprint's application, which can be used by any island country.</p>

Norwegian Development Programme to Combat Marine Litter and Microplastics	Norwegian Government	Bilateral	Partners include IUTN, SINTEF, WWF, FAO, GEF, UNEP, GRID-Arendal, Research Council of Norway, World Bank, WHO, among others.	Grants	Global	Global	Production / manufacturing phase; prevention, minimization, reuse; waste management phase; litter capturing	<p>In 2018, the Norwegian government launched a new development programme to combat marine litter and microplastics. The programme is intended to contribute to Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 14.1 which states that by 2025, the world should prevent and significantly reduce marine pollution of all kinds. Currently funds 34 projects.</p> <p>The main objective of the Norwegian development programme to combat marine litter and microplastics is to prevent and greatly reduce the extent of marine litter from large sources in developing countries.</p> <p>To achieve this, funding is set to focus on four outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Management of plastic waste in partner countries is improved.</li> <li>2) Selected coastal areas and rivers are cleared of waste and the waste is sustainably managed.</li> <li>3) Private sector performance regarding sustainable production and use, and responsible waste management, is improved.</li> <li>4) Global commitments and national and regional instruments to prevent marine litter are strengthened.</li> </ol>
Norwegian Ministry of Climate and Environment funds towards international cooperation on the topic of marine litter and microplastics	Norwegian Ministry of Climate and Environment	Bilateral	UNEP, GRID-Arendal	Grants	Global	Various	All	Funds towards international cooperation on the topic of marine litter and microplastics hosted by the Ministry of Climate and Environment. The total sum amounts to 25 million NOK annually for collaboration with the private sector (primarily on a national level) and to support global policy-making to address marine litter and microplastics. For 2020, 5 million NOK has been allocated as core funding to GRID-Arendal's newly established programme on waste and marine litter, with a focus on the Arctic, the work of the UNEA, the policy-related developments of the Basel Convention as well as communication activities related to marine litter.
Odyssey Impact Investments	Odyssey Impact Investments	Private for profit	None	Private equity fund	Global	Not specified	Not specified	Odyssey Impact investments is an investment company based in Luxembourg with a global scope of activities. It structures and manages alternative investment vehicles that offer professional investors private equity investment opportunities with a quantifiable impact and market-level returns. All of their investments focus on climate change mitigation and single-use plastic reduction.
The Recycling Partnership	Over 40 private companies	National government		Grants	North America	US	Waste management phase	Formerly known as the Curbside Value Partnership, the Recycling Partnership facilitates public-private partnerships and provides grants and technical assistance to improve local recycling programs. The Recycling Partnership works across the full recycling supply chain, from local government to industry to end markets, haulers, material-recovery facilities, and converters, with the goal of making recycling easier for Americans. The Recycling Partnership is supported by a broad group of consumer-goods, packaging, and other manufacturers, as well as waste managers and industry associations working to make access to recycling easier.

Korea Green Growth Trust Fund	Republic of Korea	Bilateral	World Bank	Grants (in support of World Bank's investments)	Global	Global	Not specified	The Korea Green Growth Trust Fund is a partnership between the World Bank Group and the Republic of Korea, established in 2011 to support countries as they shift to green development path.
Norwegian Retailers' Environment Fund	Retailers which are members of the fund	Private not for profit	None	Grants	Global	All	Waste management phase; Prevention, minimization, reuse; litter capturing	<p>The Norwegian Retailers' Environment Fund contributes to reducing pollution from plastic littering, increasing recycling and reducing the consumption of plastic bags in Norway. They have allocated 20 million NOK to international projects last year.</p> <p>The Norwegian Retailers' Environment Fund gets NOK 0,5 from each plastic bag bought from the Fund's member retailers. It is earmarked environment measures that support the Fund's purposes. Member retailers cover over 80% of the plastic bags sold in Norway.</p>
Project to tackle marine litter and plastic pollution in Southeast Asia (SEA)	Sweden International Development Agency (Sida)	Bilateral	UNEP and the Coordinating Body on the Seas of East Asia	Grants	Asia and the Pacific	Countries in South East Asia	Waste management phase; Prevention, minimization, reuse	10 September 2018: The UN Environment Programme (UNEP, or UN Environment), the Coordinating Body on the Seas of East Asia (COBSEA) and the Government of Sweden have announced a project to tackle marine litter and plastic pollution in Southeast Asia (SEA). The project will work to minimize marine litter, raise awareness on plastic pollution and improve the region's waste management systems.
Project to beat plastic pollution in Southeast Asia	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA)	Bilateral	UNEP, Coordinating Body on the Seas of East Asia (COBSEA)	Grants	Asia and the Pacific	Countries in Southeast Asia	Waste management phase; Prevention, minimization, reuse	<p>The project, funded by the Sweden International Development Agency (Sida) and implemented by UN Environment and COBSEA, will involve stakeholders throughout the plastic value chain, from the plastic producers to the waste managers to those in coastal communities suffering most the impacts of plastic pollution, to ensure less plastic leaks through waste management systems.</p> <p>To reduce waste, UN Environment and COBSEA will be working with research institutions, companies, government bodies and civil society to reduce the use of the most harmful and difficult to recycle plastic, boost collection and recycling of high-value plastic such as PET, and generate region-wide public awareness and support for better plastic pollution policies. The scientific basis for addressing marine litter will be strengthened, by collecting and analyzing data on plastic leakage and marine litter at local, national and regional levels. UN Environment, COBSEA and partners will use this baseline data to help all stakeholders in the plastic lifecycle develop evidence-based policies and plans that will reduce the amount of marine litter flowing from the region.</p>



Marine Plastics and Coastal Communities (MARPLASTICCs)	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA)	Bilateral	IUCN	Grants	Global	Kenya, Mozambique, South Africa, Thailand, Viet Nam	All	MARPLASTICCs uses an integrated lifecycle approach which supports a global transition from a linear take-make-dispose model to a circular plastics economy
Baltic Solutions to Plastic Pollution	Swedish Postcode Lottery Foundation	Private not for profit	IUCN	Grant	Europe	Countries in the Baltic region	All	With the support of the Swedish Postcode Foundation, the Global Marine and Polar Programme (GMPP) endeavours to demonstrate the impacts of plastic pollution in the Baltic region on climate change, biodiversity and food safety. GMPP has brought together a network of scientists to conduct desk and field research and laboratory experiments, and to provide sound scientific evidence of the negative environmental and social impacts of plastic pollution in the region. Based on this evidence, and together with leading regional experts and grassroots organisations, GMPP will then investigate policy-leveraging mechanisms to provide entry points for recommendations.
Funding stream for ocean conservation and science	The David and Lucile Packard Foundation	Private not for profit	None	Grant	Global	The United States, Mexico, Chile, Indonesia, China and Japan	Not specified	<p>One of the David and Lucile Packard Foundation's long-term goals is to restore the health and productivity of the world ocean, on which all life depends. The foundation's stated aims for the funding stream are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Help the United States, Mexico, Chile, Indonesia, China and Japan to ensure that fishing and marine aquaculture are sustainable and to protect places that are vital to maintaining biodiversity and wild fish stocks.</li> <li>Promote global markets for sustainable seafood.</li> <li>Eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing—referred to here as illegal fishing—around the world.</li> <li>Protect seabirds and shorebirds and their habitats.</li> <li>Understand and proactively address the impacts of greenhouse gas emissions on the ocean.</li> </ul> <p>It has funded projects directly on plastic pollution, such as Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute research on microplastics and ocean plastic pollution.</p>
'Meriroskahaaste' challenge prize - contest for ideas to reduce the amount of litter in the Baltic Sea	The S Group (Finnish Retail Cooperative)	Private for profit	Finnish Environment Institute (SKYE)	Grant (prize money) for winner. Crowdfunding campaigns for finalists.	Europe	Countries in the Baltic region	All	The goal of the 'Meriroskahaaste' marine litter challenge prize was to find solutions to decrease the amount of litter ending up in the Baltic Sea. The winning trio – Paptic Ltd, VTT's PlastBug team, and the 'Pidä Saaristo Siistinä' environmental association – received a total of 32,000 euros of prize money for adding momentum to the saving of the Baltic Sea.

Incubator Network to Accelerate Ocean Plastic Solutions	U.S. State Department	Private not for profit	Circulate Capital, SecondMuse, Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.	Incubator network	Asia and the Pacific	Countries in South and South East Asia	Not specified	<p>Initiative to accelerate solutions to ocean plastic waste by partnering with existing incubators to build ecosystems of waste management and recycling innovators. The Company and SecondMuse developed The Incubator Network in partnership with Ocean Conservancy, a leading ocean protection nonprofit; it is supported by a new grant from the U.S. State Department. The Incubator Network's first collaborative project, the Ocean Plastic Prevention Accelerator, is also supported by the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.</p> <p>The Company anticipates unlocking more than \$20 million in funding for The Incubator Network from foundations, corporations, and development agencies. The Company made the announcement earlier today at the G7 Oceans Partnership Summit in Halifax, Canada.</p> <p>By partnering with existing incubator initiatives, The Incubator Network seeks to rapidly scale the number of innovators in the sector, enabling eco-systems, and support for those innovations.</p>
Ocean Plastic Prevention Accelerator (OPPA)	U.S. State Department and Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Private not for profit	Supported by Certified B Corporation, The Incubation Network and Second Muse	Venture capital	Asia and the Pacific	Indonesia	Waste management	<p>Ocean Plastic Prevention Accelerator (OPPA) is building a social innovation ecosystem to address ocean plastic leakage within Indonesia. Through various program activities, OPPO is creating a collaborative network for innovative solutions to address challenges in the local waste management system and recycling sector.</p> <p>Provides an accelerator programme and venture support to facilitate waste-related ventures to start and grow in Surabaya.</p>
Tearfund's Matched Giving Appeal	UK Department for International Development (DFID)	Bilateral	Tearfund	Matched giving	Asia and the Pacific	Pakistan	Recycling	<p>Today, Tearfund launches its Matched Giving Appeal to help build new recycling hubs in Pakistan that will prevent further damage to the environment, protect people's health and provide jobs. Backed by the Department for International Development, donations to Tearfund's Matched Giving Appeal will be doubled by the UK government, up to £2 million. This means that Tearfund will be able to make a bigger difference in some of the world's poorest places. Match funding from the UK government will be used by Tearfund's partners in Pakistan.</p>
The Sustainable Manufacturing and Environmental Pollution (SMEP) programme	UK Department for International Development (DFID)	Bilateral	In partnership with the Trade, Environment and Sustainable Development	Grants	Global	Developing countries, focus on Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia	Production / manufacturing phase	<p>The Sustainable Manufacturing and Environmental Pollution (SMEP) programme is a £25million research programme funded by DFID-UKaid over a period of 5 FYs. It aims at reducing the levels of pollution generated by manufacturing processes in developing countries.</p> <p>The programme will aim to achieve its objectives by implementing the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Funding research to develop the evidence to support practical solutions with a high chance of take up and impact;</li> </ul>

			Branch (TED) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Developing and testing innovative technology-based solutions that improve the environmental impacts of manufacturing;</li> <li>o Identifying and developing suitable supporting business models and policies to adopt innovative technology-based solutions.</li> <li>o Development and testing of new symbiotic production processes that reduce environmental waste and establish new sources of wealth and growth.</li> <li>o Funding R&amp;D activities to address the problem of plastic ocean pollution, which was recently highlighted as a key issue in developing countries.</li> <li>o Co-design/ development of toolkits to be used by policy makers and planners.</li> </ul>
Waste Pilots	UK Department for International Development (DFID)	Bilateral	Funds also provided by businesses such as Unilever and Coca-Cola, as well as waste management firms and regional and national governments in developing nations.	Funding for pilot projects	Global	Developing commonwealth countries. Active in Ghana, Bangladesh and Uganda.	Waste management phase, recycling	<p>Up to £3m to pilot improved waste management approaches in cities in developing Commonwealth countries. Three pilot projects (up to £3m) have been designed in Ghana, Bangladesh and Uganda to test approaches to increasing plastic recycling rates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Ghana: Working with businesses to reduce plastic waste in Accra, as part of the World Economic Forum hosted Global Plastics Action Partnership.</li> <li>ii. Bangladesh: Increasing the proportion of plastic waste generated by the capital Dhaka that can be reused by industry, particularly garment manufacturing.</li> <li>iii. Uganda: Support for the Kampala Plastics Recycling Partnership, which includes private companies such as Coca-Cola, the Ugandan Government and other stakeholders, to improve the sustainable management of plastic waste in Greater Kampala.</li> </ul>
Commonwealth Clean Ocean Alliance Technical Assistance Facility	UK Government	Bilateral	None	Technical assistance packages	Global	Commonwealth countries	Prevention, minimization, reuse; Ecodesign / alternative materials; recycling; litter capturing	<p>Technical assistance will be made available to Official Development Assistance (ODA) eligible CCOA member countries to help them meet the ambitious political commitments made under the CCOA to reduce plastic pollution. The technical assistance package will be developed with each country to tailor it to their needs.</p> <p>Those political commitments are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Take steps to eliminate all avoidable single-use plastic waste;</li> <li>ii. Significantly reduce single-use plastic carrier bags by 2021;</li> <li>iii. Ban the sale and manufacture of microbeads in rinse-off cosmetic and personal care products by 2021.</li> </ul>

The Commonwealth Marine Plastics Research and Innovation Framework	UK Government	Bilateral	India, Canada, Unilever, Waitrose, The British Plastics Federation, the Ellen MacArthur Foundation, the Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRiAP), RPC Group Plc and Mott MacDonald	Jointly-funded interdisciplinary research and innovation programmes developed through the Framework, and activities developed and delivered by individual partnering countries and organisations	Global	Commonwealth countries	All	<p>The Commonwealth Marine Plastics Research and Innovation Framework will provide a platform and overarching structure for bringing together governments, industry, researchers and practitioners from across the Commonwealth to work together to tackle this global issue. The initiative will comprise both new jointly-funded interdisciplinary research and innovation programmes developed through the Framework, and activities developed and delivered by individual partnering countries and organisations. An important aspect of the Framework will be providing a forum for sharing research plans and emerging findings with all partners, increasing coordination and adding value to individual programmes. The Framework will also support the development of links between researchers and innovators across the Commonwealth, driving new partnerships and strengthening capacity. The Framework will be delivered both by and for the Commonwealth.</p> <p>It will consist of jointly-funded interdisciplinary research and innovation programmes developed through the Framework, and activities developed and delivered by individual partnering countries and organisations</p>
Commonwealth Marine Litter Programme (CLIP)	UK Government, DEFRA	Bilateral	Centre for Environment Fisheries and Aquaculture Science (Cefas)	Funding for capacity building	Global	Commonwealth countries in South Pacific, Caribbean, Asia and Africa	Litter capture	The Commonwealth Marine Litter Programme (CLIP) is led by the UK through the Centre for Environment Fisheries and Aquaculture Science (Cefas). The programme is supporting a number of ODA-eligible Commonwealth countries to develop national litter action plans focusing on plastics entering the ocean, with an emphasis on capacity building and developing plastics monitoring programmes. Once completed (by 2020) outcomes from this programme will be shared with all CCOA members, and the national litter action plans will be made available for other countries to adapt and implement.
APEC Sub-Fund for Marine Debris Management and Innovation (MDMI)	United States	Bilateral	APEC	Grant	Global	All APEC members	Waste management; litter capturing	The APEC Support Fund Sub-fund for Marine Debris Management and Innovation (MDMI) supports capacity building activities to: promote the development of solid waste management infrastructure; inform the development of policies, regulations and practices to improve waste management and marine debris management; promote the development of technical innovations to create value from plastic waste; increase access to financing and promote the development of innovative financing mechanisms; and promote new technologies for reducing the prevalence and environmental impact of marine debris.

Loan-portfolio guarantee to mobilize outside private investment to combat plastic pollution in oceans throughout the Indo-Pacific region	United States Agency for International Development (USAID)	Bilateral	In partnership with impact-investment firm Circulate Capital	Loan portfolio guarantee	Asia and the Pacific	The fund will deploy at least 50 percent of the total investments in Indonesia, Philippines, Vietnam, and Sri Lanka	Waste management	<p>USAID announced a \$35 million, 50-percent loan-portfolio guarantee with Circulate Capital that will help mobilize outside private investment to combat plastic pollution in oceans throughout the Indo-Pacific region.</p> <p>The partial-loan guarantee from USAID is a tool designed to attract private capital to a blended-finance fund and offer protection to investors by lowering the downside risk of loss, which makes investment in developing markets more appealing. The initiative already has secured more than \$100 million in private-sector commitments from the world's leading businesses.</p> <p>Circulate Capital will invest the portfolio in companies, innovations, and infrastructure projects that will strengthen recycling and waste management systems - central to reducing and mitigating the effects of marine debris in oceans. The assistance will also create new business opportunities, incubate marketplaces, and empower women entrepreneurs in the environmental field.</p>
Municipal Waste Recycling Program	USAID	Bilateral	Development Innovations Group (DIG) administers the program	Grants	Asia and the Pacific	Indonesia, The Philippines, Vietnam and Sri Lanka	Waste management phase	<p>USAID's Municipal Waste Recycling Program is designed to reduce land-based sources of marine plastics pollution in Indonesia, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam. With proximity to two oceans, the cities of these countries are critical to reducing mismanaged plastics waste. Funded under the Making Cities Work IDIQ, the program provides grants and technical assistance for promising solid waste management and waste recycling efforts in urban and peri-urban areas, enhances the effectiveness of such programs and makes recommendations for future investments in municipal waste recycling.</p> <p>The Municipal Waste Recycling Program grants support innovative and/or scalable solid waste management and recycling activities that promote social inclusion, empower women and youth, generate jobs and economic growth, and strengthen resilience.</p>
Global Environmental Facility Funds	Various donor countries	Multilateral	The World Bank serves as the GEF Trustee, administering the GEF Trust Fund	Grants, financing / investments	Global	Developing countries and countries with economies in transition	Production / manufacturing phase; use phase	<p>GEF funds are available to developing countries and countries with economies in transition to meet the objectives of the international environmental conventions and agreements.</p> <p>GEF-7 will explore the important synergies between the International Waters and the Chemicals and Waste focal areas to address specifically the challenge of marine litter and micro-plastics. Waste consisting of plastics can contribute to the POPs challenge as POPs contained in plastics can be released in the environment including oceans, if not properly managed. Marine litter in the form of micro-plastics to a significant extent derives from land-based activities and should also be seen in the context of waste management issues dealt with under this focal area. Recognizing the need to transform the entire life cycle of plastics to reduce marine plastic pollution, the GEF will invest in a few strategic Circular Economy initiatives to promote the adoption of closed loop production and consumption patterns instead of traditional linear take-make-waste approaches. Investments will be focusing on public/ private investments to transform the plastic life cycle.</p>

Trash Free Seas Alliance	Various donors	Private not for profit	Alliance members	Research and implementation grants	Global	Over 100 countries globally	Not specified	<p>Launched by Washington-based NGO Ocean Conservancy in 2012, the Alliance brings together leaders from the private sector, civil society organizations, and academia to identify pragmatic and measurable solutions to the ocean plastic crisis. The group has collectively committed more than \$100 million in funding for research and incubation of scalable solutions to the ocean plastic crisis and eliminated 500,000 tons of virgin plastic from products and packaging annually.</p> <p>Collectively, Alliance members will work in over 100 countries and 1,000 cities to advance marine debris and waste management solutions through policy, education, research, and collaborative initiatives, engaging 1 million people annually in direct, on the ground action to combat marine debris and raising awareness on the threats of marine debris to over 1 billion people globally.</p>
World Bank support for national governments	World Bank	Multilateral	None	Loans	Global	Countries include Thailand, Indonesia, Cambodia, Philippines, Myanmar and Vietnam	Not specified	Loans for several national governments (currently including Thailand, Indonesia, Cambodia, Philippines, Myanmar and Vietnam) to support the development and implementation of policies and regulations, enhance analytic capacity, and finance critical investments. Alternatively, the World Bank may implement these activities on behalf of national governments.
Sustainable Development Bond on Sustainable Use of Oceans and Coastal Areas – the “Blue Economy”	World Bank	Multilateral	Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Ltd., through its Impact Advisory and Finance Department, acted as the sole manager of the transaction.	Sustainable Development Bond	Global	Global	Not specified	The World Bank (International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, IBRD rated Aaa/AAA) issued a USD 28.6 million 5-year Sustainable Development Bond as part of ongoing efforts to raise awareness for the vital role fresh and saltwater resources play for people, livelihoods, and the planet.
World Bank bond to highlight challenge of plastic waste in oceans	World Bank (International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, IBRD)	Multilateral	Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC. was the sole distributor of the bond	Sustainable Development Bond	Global	Global	Not specified	The World Bank plays a crucial convening role in multi-sectoral efforts to beat plastic pollution. These efforts include: Supporting analytical studies which identify important gaps in infrastructure as well as behavior change; Supporting policy reforms and financing investments in solid waste management; Strengthening regulatory reforms and fiscal mechanisms; Leveraging private sector investment and blended financing models; Facilitating coordination and collaboration; Fostering global best practices and knowledge sharing.

World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Conservation Finance and partners subsidized credit facility to reduce biodiversity impacts of hotels operating on the Thai coastline	World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Conservation Finance	Private not for profit	Credit facility was launched by Kasikorn Bank, the second largest commercial bank in Thailand	Subsidised credit facility	Asia and the Pacific	Thailand	Waste management; litter capturing	World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Conservation Finance and its partners designed a \$40 million subsidized credit facility to reduce biodiversity impacts of hotels operating on the Thai coastline. This credit facility was launched by Kasikorn Bank, the second largest commercial bank in Thailand. It offers discounted interest rates of up to –1.5% of the minimum lending rate for hotels committed to reducing their impacts on marine biodiversity and improving their environmental management. The facility offers long-term loans to finance investments mainly in wastewater treatment, solid waste management, and water consumption management. To participate, the hotels must adopt an Environmental Management System and green certification.
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