

Zero Waste Good Practices

Call for good practices, initiatives and success stories in zero waste

On 30th March 2023, the UN Secretary-General formed the Advisory Board on Zero Waste in accordance with the [UN General Assembly Resolution 77/161](#). Selected for its knowledge and expertise, the Board consists of 12 eminent members showcasing and publishing good practices and success stories; and raising awareness and promoting local and national zero waste initiatives. The Advisory Board focuses on sharing good practices, case studies and thematic briefs to accelerate the global transition towards sustainable waste management, aligned with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The Advisory Board's Secretariat is hosted by UN-Habitat and UNEP.

The Advisory Board on Zero Waste is calling for good practices, initiatives and success stories connected to zero waste.

Who: Everyone who has a share-worthy good practice which refers to methods, processes, or techniques that are widely accepted as effective, efficient, and leading to positive zero waste outcomes.

What: Good practices for consideration should showcase measurable impact, with quantifiable results in waste reduction and positive environmental and socio-economic outcomes. Emphasis on sustainability, accountability, replicability, scalability, innovation, and technology applicability is crucial. Geographical representation, inclusivity, resource efficiency, and adherence to circular economy principles are key factors, while practices should avoid promoting specific private companies and must adhere to social and environmental safeguards, minimizing negative impacts on stakeholders.

Why: Sharing zero waste good practices helps engage society in the Board's efforts while amplifying broader advocacy, awareness and action. By spotlighting successful initiatives, the Board aims to inspire global action, fostering informed decision-making and encouraging a collective commitment to a zero-waste future. The engagement amplifies the impact of this movement, shaping eco-friendly landscapes and contributing to a more sustainable planet for all.

Outcome: The top six submissions will be published and showcased on the One Planet Network website and linked to the Advisory Board's dedicated webpage. The successful submissions will also be spotlighted by the Advisory Board members at high-level events such as International Zero Waste Day on 30 March 2024.

Criteria:

- Innovative, with measurable impact
- Potential to provide effective learnings on waste/resource management, resource efficiency and circular economy.
- Sustainability and Accountability
- Replicability and Scalability
- Technology Applicability
- Geographical Representation
- Inclusivity/Collaboration/Community Engagement
- Applicability of Social and Environmental Safeguard

Indicative Timeline:

- Deadline: 22 February 2024
- Selection and communication: 22 February – 14 March 2024
- Publish selected good practices: 30 March 2024

Other:

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