

EU Plastic Strategy

A new vision for plastics in Europe

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Plastic Waste: a European strategy to protect the planet, defend our citizens and empower our industries

The first-ever Europe-wide strategy on plastics, adopted on 16/01/2018

- ❑ Every year, Europeans generate 25 million tonnes of plastic waste, but less than 30% is collected for recycling.
- ❑ Across the world, plastics make up 85% of beach litter.
- ❑ The strategy will transform the way products are designed, produced, used, and recycled in the EU.
- ❑ New opportunities for innovation, competitiveness and job creation.



65%

separate waste
for recycling



34%

avoid single-use
goods like
cutlery & cups



24%

avoid buying
over-packaged
products



75%

use fewer
single-use
plastic bags



Under the strategy, the EU will:

- ❑ **Make recycling profitable for business:** new rules on packaging
- ❑ **Curb plastic waste:** new EU-wide rules how to reduce the use of plastics
- ❑ **Stop littering at sea:** new rules on port reception facilities
- ❑ **Drive investment and innovation:** guidance how to minimise plastic waste at source
- ❑ **Spur change across the world:** global solutions and international standards

Legal basis under the EMFF for marine litter actions

The measures deemed relevant with regard to marine litter mitigation

- ❑ Art. 43 (UP1) – Fishing ports, landing sites, auction halls and shelters
- ❑ Art. 40.1(a) (UP1) – Protection and restoration of marine biodiversity and ecosystems and compensation regimes in the framework of sustainable fishing activities

The collection of marine litter or related activities by actors other than fishermen can also be funded under:

- ❑ Art. 62 / Art. 63 (CLLD under UP4)
- ❑ Art. 80 (IMP under UP6)

Expected impacts:

- Less risk of loss/abandonment of fishing gears
- Less marine litter from sea-based sources
- Increased technological innovation and recyclability
- More cost-efficient and sustainable litter retrieval
- Better preparation of gears for later recycling
- Higher recycling rates of retrieved marine litter
- Improved skills
- More diversification of jobs
- New investments and business opportunities



Thank you!

