

A Practical, Results-oriented Network Working for a Litter-free Europe by 2030

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- A reach of 20 million European citizens
- Launched in Brussels in March 2013 in the presence

of Commissioner Potočnik





Members















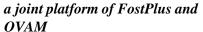


























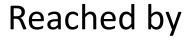
What we do

- Share experience, expertise, effective practice and research with a view to improving litter prevention across the EU
- 2. Develop common programmes/methodologies in areas where there is added-value in a European approach
- 3. Promote litter prevention policy in Europe



Vision & Mission

A litter free Europe by 2030





Changing behaviour and reducing litter at all levels within Europe

Stimulating greater
litter prevention
activity - focusing
particularly on
younger generations

Encouraging the
application of greater
resources to this end
in EU Member States
and across wider
Europe



Vision & Mission

1. ENVIRONMENTAL

2. ECONOMIC

3. SOCIAL





Economic Impact



Clean-up costs

€25 per year

on each
taxpayer



For <u>land alone</u>
= annual "loss"
of €11-13 billion
across the EU

- Burden on Local Authorities
- Discourages Tourism
- Other hidden costs…





- Associated with criminality
- Health impacts
- **Social Justice**





Gestes Propres



"Vous pouvez laisser une plus belle trace sur terre."





Gestes Propres



"You can leave a better trace on earth."







Gunnar Fredriksson Håll Sverige Rent

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The Plastic Bag 2017

Keep Sweden Tidy has been engaged by the Swedish environmental protection agency to develop a best practice on how to reduce the usage of plastic bags.

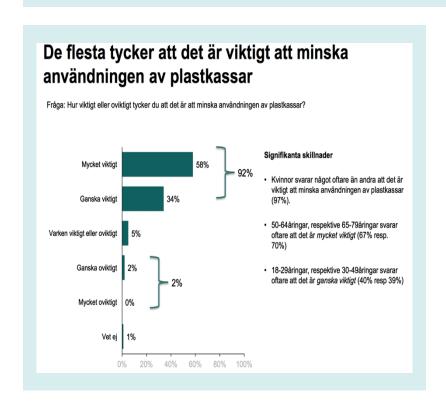
The project/campaign:

- Research and PR
- Communication
- Pilot Campaign in the city of Västerås
- National campaign later



Market Research

- · Baseline research: on consumer knowledge, attitude and consumption
- Benchmarking: repeat same research after campaign to assess impact







Communications Concept: slogan & text

RE-THINK/RE-USE

Ta med påsen till butiken. Igen och igen och igen...

Bring your bag to the store. Again and again and again....



Communications Concept: slogan & text with photo-images



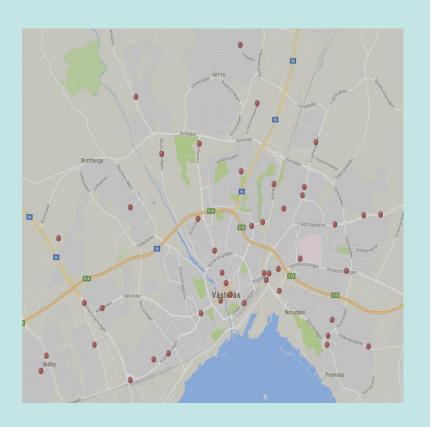


- "Timeless" yet "up-todate"
- Widely understood
- Mixes emotion with practical action
- Addresses both sexes
- In the style of fashion photography



Pilot Campaign in Västerås - first week in October

- Outdoor advertising: 50 spots in city center
- **Radio advertising**: local channel 168 spots
- Print advertising: in local newspaper
- Radio SoMe
- Evaluation of the campaign: with independent research institute





Campaign city of Västerås (Week 40, 2017)







RE-THINK /RE-USE

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National Campaign – ca. 18 Oct → 15 Nov

Work in progress:

- Campaign Website & Webshop
- Social Media (posts and competition)
- RE-THINK / RE-USE ads in malls
- Radio SoMe
- PR/Media
- Communication on dairy cartons











Dairy Carton Messaging

STOP PLASTIC BAGS (...IN THE POCKET)

On one side of the carton starting 25 oktober:

1,0 l milk
 1,5 l milk
 1 month
 2 months
 3 months



Hittar du en slängd plastpåse i naturen? Ta upp och lägg i återvinningen! Då gör du miljön en STOR tjänst! Det tar flera hundra år för plast att brytas ned i naturen, och under tiden frigörs de ämnen som finns i plasten!

HÅLL SVERIGE RENT

För mer fakta och tips: www.hsr.se







7 Breakthrough Propositions for Litter Prevention in Europe



A Common European Litter Measurement & Monitoring Methodology

Eamonn Bates – Secretary General

Meeting of Expert Group on Waste

28 September 2017

A Circular Economy for Europe >>Shared responsibility for litter

Revision of EU Waste Legislation will address litter & prevention of littering for the first time

- **EU member states** to take responsibility for addressing littering and litter in their policies and programmes and to take steps to make sure citizens respect the rules;
- producers to take responsibility for communicating litter prevention information to citizens;
- **EU citizens** to take their personal responsibility of not dropping litter, or potentially face legal consequences;
- **Commission** to facilitate exchange of practice & expertise; develop a common measurement methodology.



7 Breakthrough Propositions for litter & prevention of littering (1)

- 1. First ever definition of "litter" at EU level
- 2. The act of **dropping litter** to be an offence (with **penalties**) in all EU countries
- Member states must develop a litter
 prevention strategy in their National Waste
 Management Plans sent to Brussels
- European Commission to establish a Common European Methodology for litter measurement and monitoring



7 Breakthrough Propositions for litter & prevention of littering (2)

- 5. Member states must **identify the products** that are main source of litter
- 6. Producers required to pay for **litter prevention communications** campaigns
- 7. The EU **definition of municipal waste** extended to cover collected litter









The Product



A Common European Litter Measurement & Monitoring Methodology

- 2014: Prototype developed
- 2015: Pre-piloting in 4 locations
- 2016: Full piloting in 54 locations, in 10 European countries
- 2017: data management development
- Co-financed in 2014 & 2016
 by EU LIFE NGO grant

Purpose

- **→** Comparative data
- → Support policy-making & implementation
- → Focus resources & support management
- → Raise awareness

What is being assessed?

- → Determine degree of cleanliness of locations being surveyed
- → Determine **how much litter** is present in locations being surveyed and which individual **litter types** are present
- → Gather info on **public perceptions and attitude** to litter locally

End product

- → Easy to use
- → Inexpensive
- → Smartphone- & tablet-based
- → Flexible/ Modular (accommodate needs of wide range of users resource availability & statistical output)



3 MODULES









MODULE 1 on GRADING

- Consists of attributing grades from A to E (clean transects to littered transects)
- Allows to gather robust and comparable data
- Helps to evaluate standards of cleanliness



MODULE 2 on COUNTING

- Litter counted in defined transects of 100 m² in chosen habitats
- List of litter categories in line with the Methodology for Monitoring
- Marine Litter on the Beaches in the OSPAR Maritime Area



MODULE 3 on CITIZEN PERCEPTION

- Questions put directly to:
 - "local people" such as residents...
 - ...or people who frequent the area regularly (e.g. on the way to work or school)
- To understand how they rate the cleanliness
- Useful for local authorities
 - e.g. to see if local customer perception matches measured reality



3 TYPES OF ENVIRONMENT

Urban



Rural



Freshwater





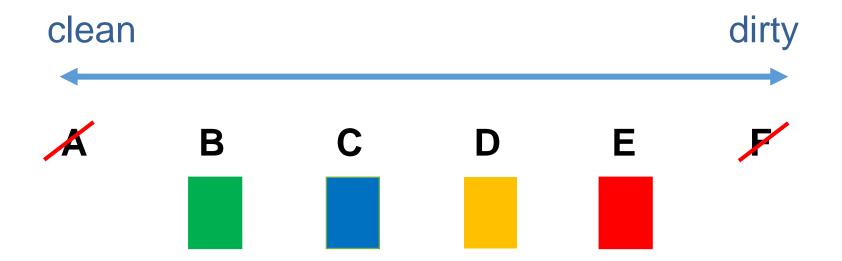
MULTIPLE HABITATS per ENVIRONMENT

- Urban, e.g. Central Business District, Public Space & Recreational Areas, etc.
- Rural, e.g. Rural villages and Hamlets, Rural Footpaths, etc.
- Freshwater, e.g. Ponds, Rivers & Canals, etc.



And now, a little test...



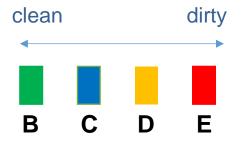
















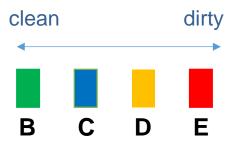
























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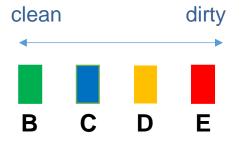
...and let's start again!







































A LITTLE CONFESSION...

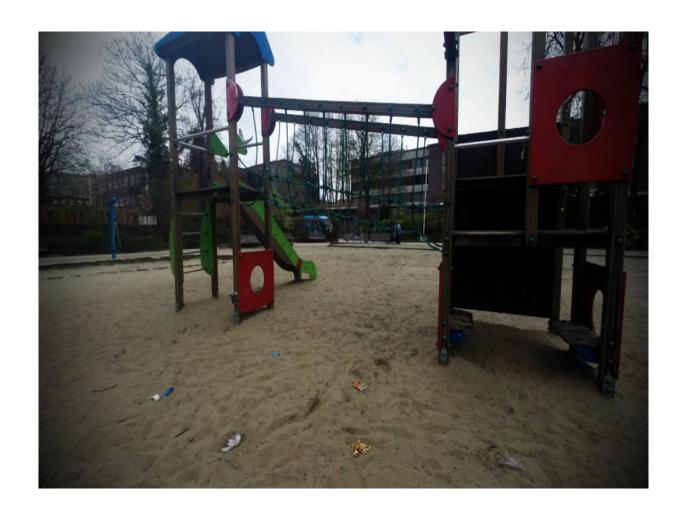














2017 & further

- Development of a common Service package to accommodate the Common European Methodology
- Development of Data Management
- Recruiting stakeholders to partner the development of prototype to product
- Helping to create litter prevention organisations in countries where there are none, while introducing common European methodology and common European service package.



Thank you for your attention!

