

# Plastic Waste Project

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# Why this project?

- On-going trade of plastic waste to Turkey and South East Asia
- Challenge to track the final destination and ESM
- Changes in legislation (e.g. EU WSR) and in destination countries (e.g. importban)
- Expected rise in export of EoW materials
- Changes in Packaging Regulation and implementation challenges



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# Project Structure



Overall PL: Huib van Westen (NL)

Export of Plastic waste

End of Waste (TFS)

Packaging

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# Main Aims



- To develop a strategy to discourage illegal plastic waste shipment to Turkey and SE-Asia and stimulate recovery in the EU.
- To obtain a better understanding of end destinations for European plastic waste and what documentation is required to satisfy WFD requirements.
- To provide regulators with a better understanding of waste plastic flows, particularly to Asian countries.
- To represent IMPEL at various networking events promoting the achievements of the project and the work of IMPEL.



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- To have a common approach on the end-of-waste or by-product status for international shipments of plastics
- Make use of the database of EoW developed under the IMPEL WMCE project.
- A knowledge sharing platform and knowledge exchange and gather best practices.
- Develop guidance/leaflets for inspectors and other stakeholders for a better understanding of PPWR in general and the sustainability requirements in particular.
- Share practical knowledge (court cases, documents, reports, experiences)

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# Main Activities



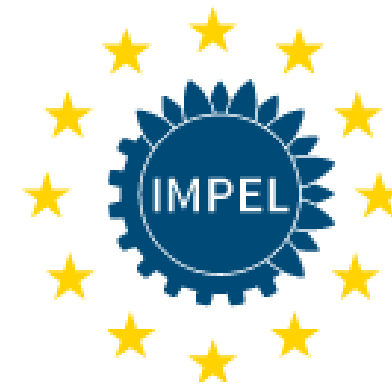
- Mapping the problem of illegal plastic waste shipments
- Develop a strategy to lower the illegal exports of plastic waste and to improve ESM
- Networking with other networks, individual countries and other stakeholders.
- Line-up with other activities, projects, etc. (e.g. Unwaste, etc.)
- Mapping the requests or issued decisions for EoW and by-products in various MSs for plastics which are shipped internationally and Communicate the results with the destination countries.
- Cooperate with the Waste Management and Circular Economy project and join workshop and trainings.
- Develop guidance manuals/ leaflets on the new Packaging Regulation.



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