

The COPIP Programme

The **Clean Oceans Project Identification and Preparation (COPIP)** Programme will identify and prepare projects in sub-Saharan Africa that contribute to reducing the discharge of plastics to the oceans.

Beneficiary Country and Promoters

The COPIP **beneficiary countries** are eligible coastal sub-Saharan African countries except South Africa.

Target promoters are local authorities and municipalities and their public utilities, regional, national and local organisations (including NGOs, research institutions, universities) and private sector companies involved in solid waste, wastewater and storm water management.

Contracting Authority and Mandate

The **contracting authority** is the European Investment Bank (EIB), which is the European Union's bank. While EIB's main activities are focused on Europe, it has been an active development finance partner in the African, Caribbean and Pacific Countries (ACPs) since 1963. The EIB supports the EU's external and development policies.

Currently, the EIB operates in sub-Saharan Africa under the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement, also known as the Cotonou Agreement.

The Clean Oceans Initiative

The **Clean Ocean Initiative (COI)**, which forms the basis and framework for COPIP, was launched by the EIB, KfW group and Agence Française de Développement (AFD) in October 2018. The three banks have committed to a COI financing goal, including both loans and grants of EUR 2bn in the period 1 October 2018 – 31 December 2023. In October 2020, the Italian and Spanish national promotional banks CDP and ICO joined the initiative. Project types that contribute to the goals of the COI, and are eligible under COPIP are listed below.

Solid waste management with focus on plastics:

- Collection, pre-treatment, recycling/recovery of plastics, other recyclable materials and bio-waste
- Safe disposal of residual waste in sanitary landfills
- Waste management in ports and harbours to reduce marine littering
- Innovative plastics projects that contribute to reduce plastics discharge in oceans, or to the development of new/improved reusable/recyclable plastics or bio-degradable plastics
- Institutional support for plastic prevention and market development: EPR, single-use plastic bans, green public procurement, value-chain integration and support, public awareness building, etc.

Coverage: Plastics and waste management on land, in rivers and in near coastal parts of the sea, also covering informal settlements, informal sector, new forms of collection such as buy-back centres, and value chain support.

Wastewater management systems

- Wastewater treatment plants
- Wastewater collection networks
- Sludge management systems

Coverage: the systems must reduce discharge of plastics (including microplastics) to waterways, rivers and oceans, e.g. through screens, traps and other similar measures in inlet/pre-treatment/outflows, and the projects should include acceptable handling of extracted plastics / waste.

Urban storm water management systems

- New drainage and storm water management systems
- Renovation and upgrades of existing drainage and storm water management systems

Coverage: Objects/components that contribute to preventing waste/plastics discharge in drains, waterways and the ocean through control of storm water. The projects must include plastic/waste traps or other similar measures to prevent discharge of plastics and acceptable handling of the extracted plastic / waste.

Scope of the COPIP Programme

The COPIP programme will identify, assess and prepare for implementation solid waste, wastewater and storm water management projects in sub-Saharan Africa in the public and private sectors.

The COPIP team will identify a pipeline of **20 projects**, with **five projects prepared** including Terms of Reference for project implementation support.

Together with the promoter and other stakeholders, the consultants will implement **five pilot projects** as proof of concept of selected project component(s) or approach(es) and to build awareness and commitment among local stakeholders

The consultants will also carry out **activities for the transfer of knowledge and expertise** in project development, project management, financing, operation and maintenance techniques to public and/or private sector project sponsors and other government counterparts.

The projects will be selected and implemented in coastal and near-coastal riverine cities where the needs are clear and tangible, and the likelihood for sustainability, success and demonstration value are high.

Service provider

The COPIP programme is carried out by a consultant consortium consisting of **Tetra Tech International Development** and **EGIS Eau**.

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