



A glimpse at three WIO Plastic Litter Projects: COP 10 Nairobi Convention



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Plastic leakage from land-based and sea-based sources into the **Western Indian Ocean** is a growing challenge



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The **recycling industry** provides employment, improves the health and wellbeing of people and the environment, benefits agriculture, fishing, tourism and contributes to the economy.

Continental WIO countries need to double to quadruple recycling. Enabling legislation is needed.



**Mixed waste
seperated at
source and
starts recycling
journey**

**Seperation of recyclables,
washing, compacting and
sending to recycler, all
provide jobs**

**Transport to
recycler**

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Recycling is **only one step** others include:

- Coordinated, consistent annual data
- Education, capacity & skills development
- Improving the financial, human & infrastructural capacity of municipalities
- Developing evidence-based strategic plans and predictive models
- Developing national and regional action plans

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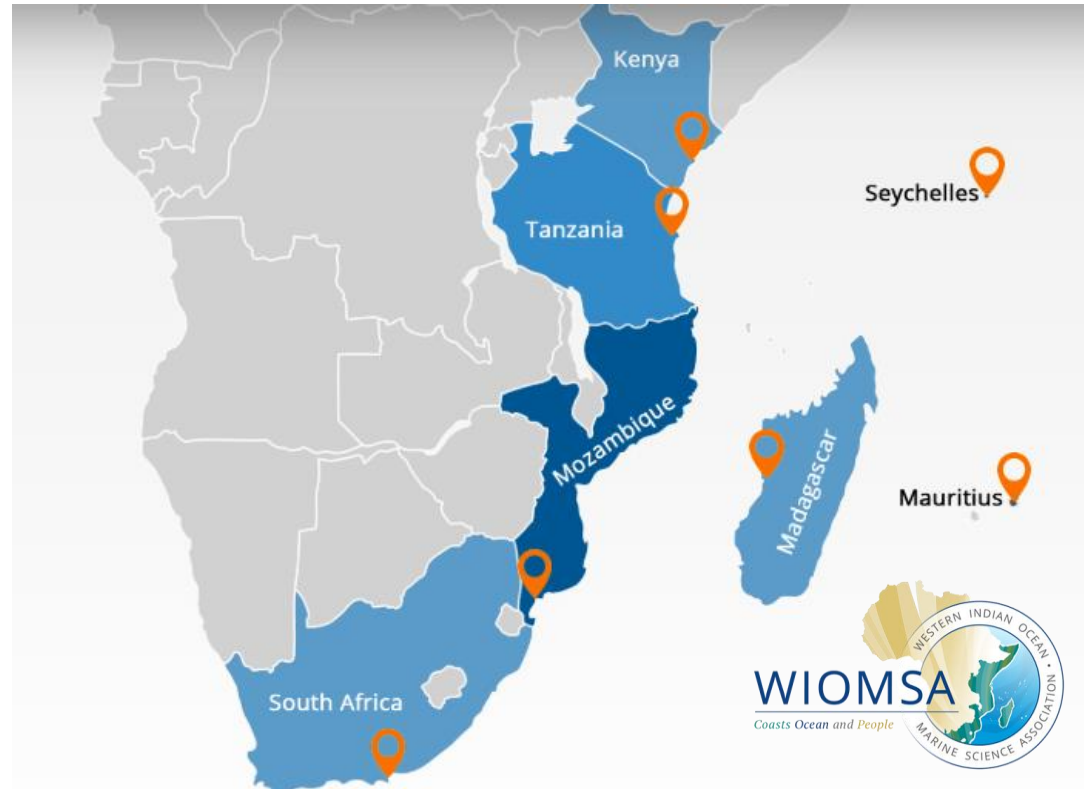


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WIOMSA Marine Litter Monitoring Programme

7 Countries

3 Years



Coordinated
by AMWN

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WIOMSA Marine Litter Monitoring Programme

Harmonized data collection on a regional scale



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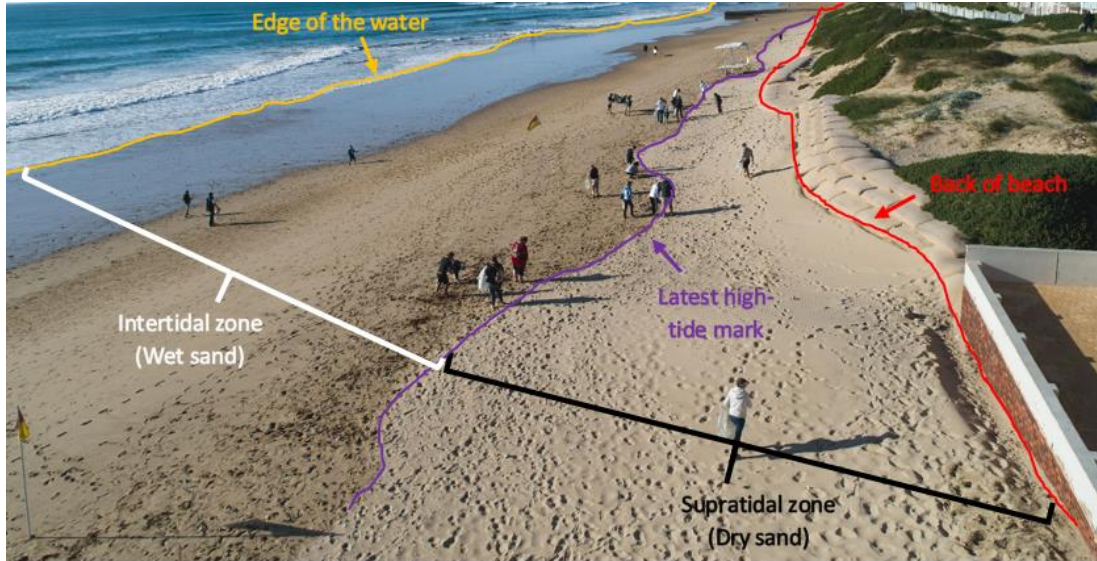
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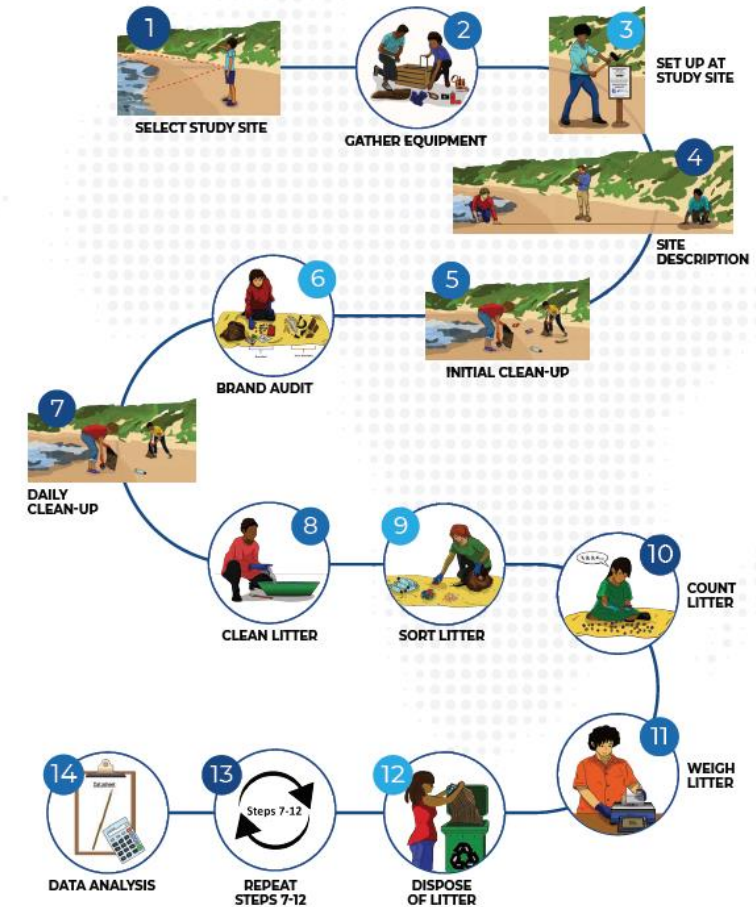
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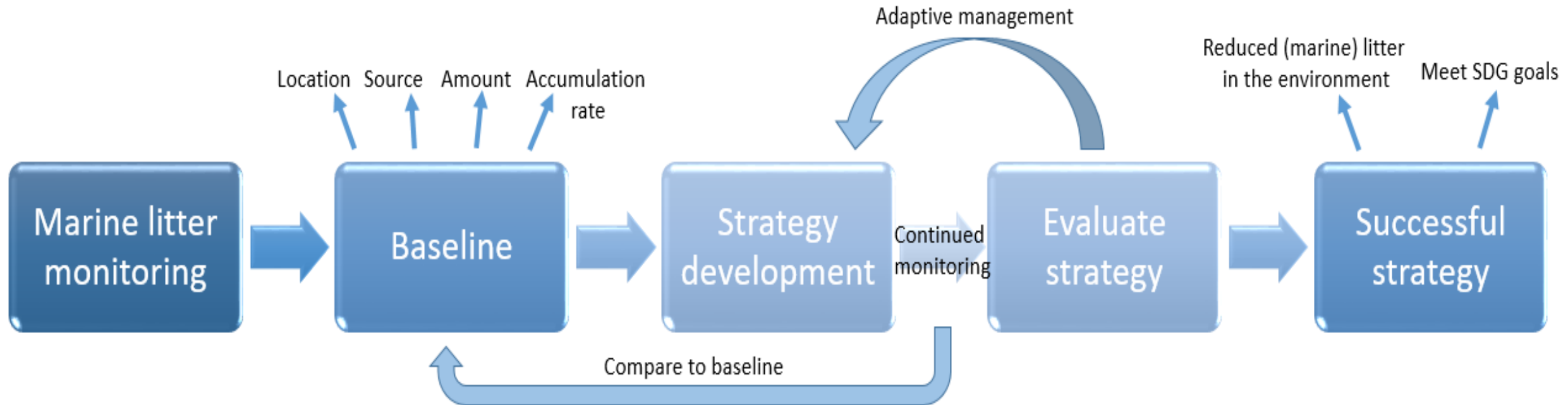
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Protocol for macro-litter monitoring along shorelines



Next phase: we know how to monitor & set baselines. Now working with WIOMSA to develop sensitive ways to measure and, if necessary, adapt planned interventions, to measurably improve situations in cities, reduce litter loads and leakage to the seas.



**The third project is legislative gap analysis, but as it was reported last week, and will be submitted next week.
No further discussion is necessary now.**



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Thank you sincerely.

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