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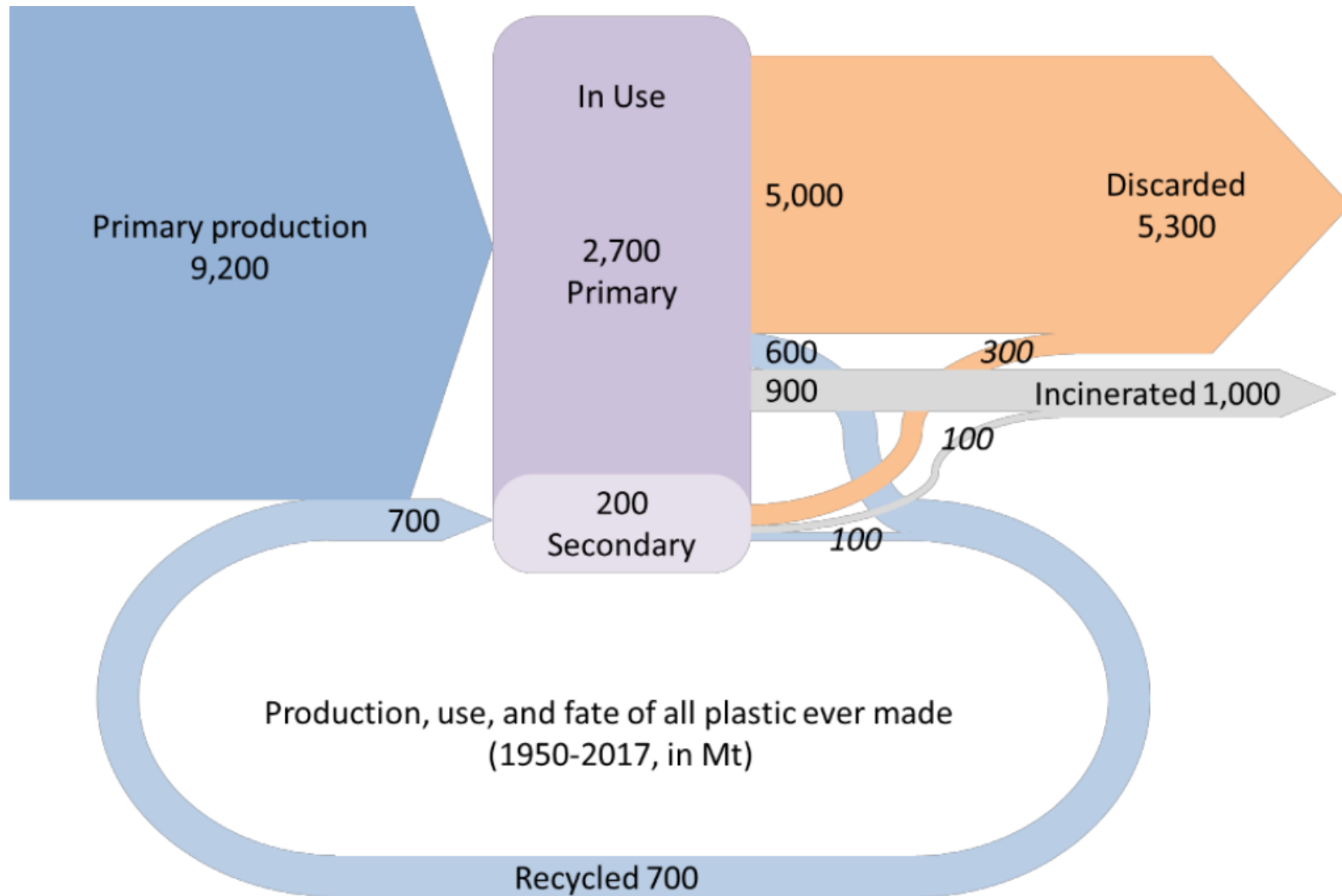
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## Effective implementation of the Complementarities Roadmap (2020-2025) in light of COVID-19 Combatting marine debris and plastic waste as well as ensuring ocean sustainability challenges

The 5<sup>th</sup> High-Level Brainstorming Dialogue  
on Enhancing Complementarities between the ASEAN Community Vision 2025 and the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development  
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# Production, use and fate of plastic, 1950-2017 (Geyer 2020)

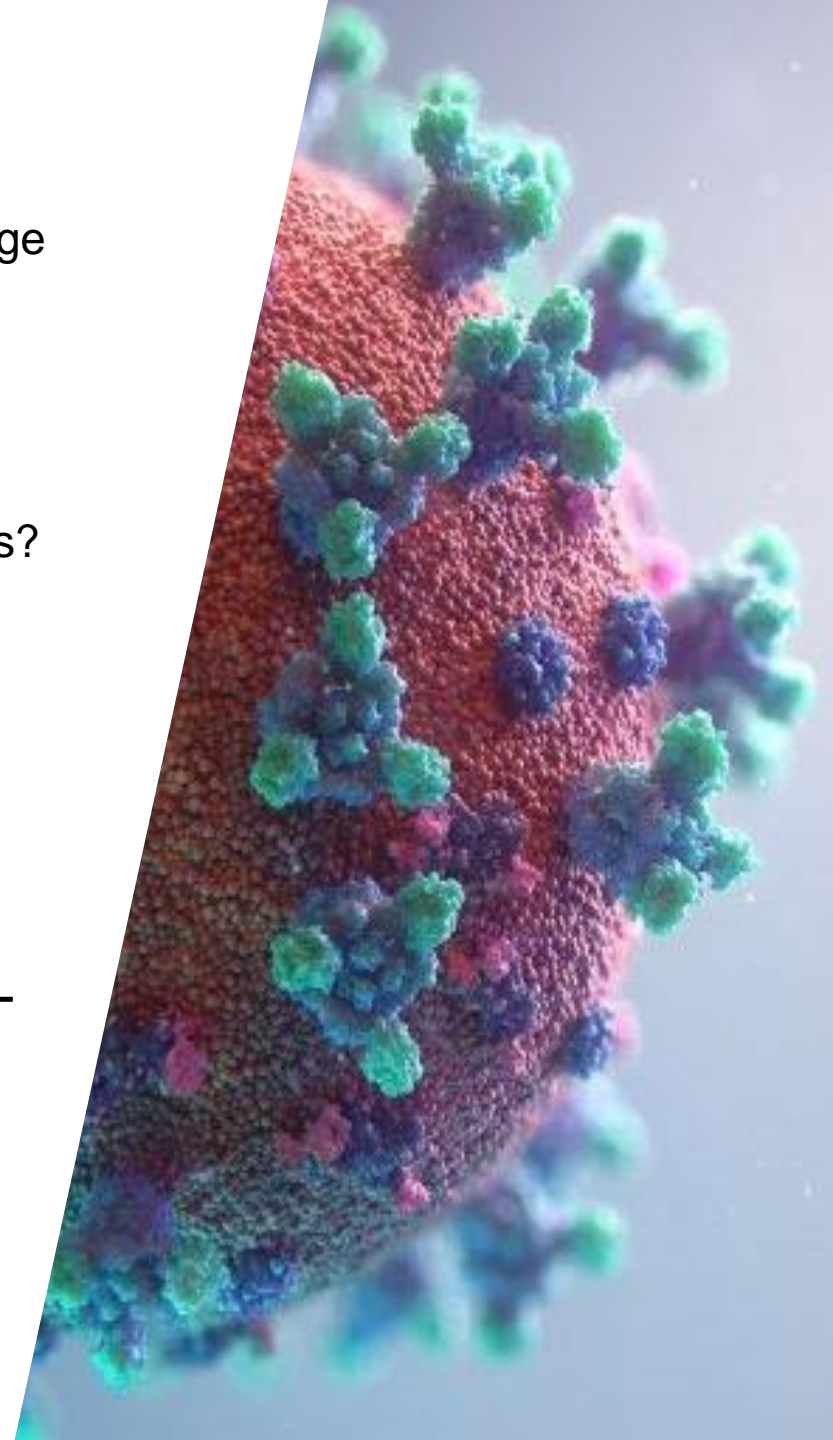


COVID impact on plastic use, waste generation, collection, recycling and leakage

Best practices in terms of preparedness, roadmaps, innovation, other measures?

Lessons learned in case of continued COVID-19 or future pandemics?

***Systemic plastic and waste management challenges have been exposed –  
and exacerbated***



UN Environment Assembly Resolutions on marine litter (1/6, 2/11, 3/7, 4/6)  
and resolutions on chemicals and waste, SCP, single use plastic products...

**“... status quo is not an option... upstream activities are key...”**  
Ad hoc open-ended expert group on marine litter and microplastics (AHEG)

Coherent action across sectors and the plastic value chain, bringing together  
visions for economic growth and trade, inclusion, and environmental protection

Critical to build on existing mechanisms and efforts



Leveraging synergies:

***Bangkok Declaration, ASEAN Framework of Action***

***and COBSEA Regional Action Plan on Marine Litter***

National policy and institutional development

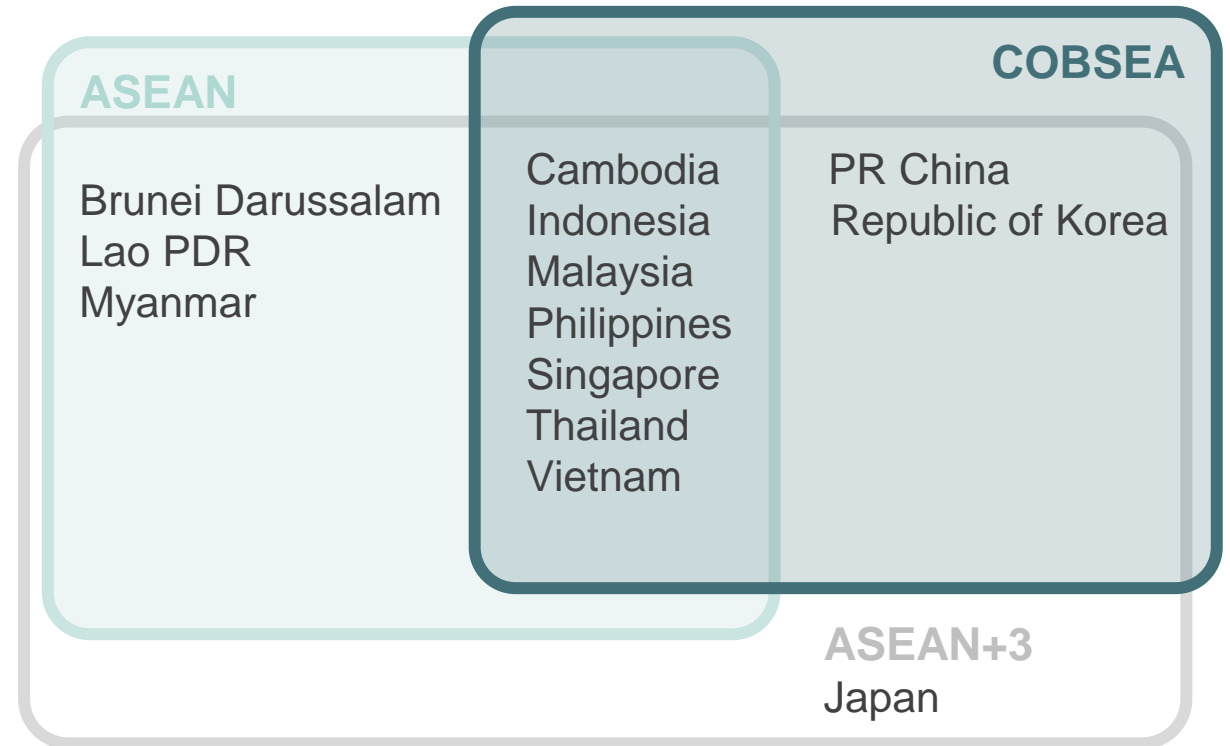
Monitoring and assessment; Research; Data

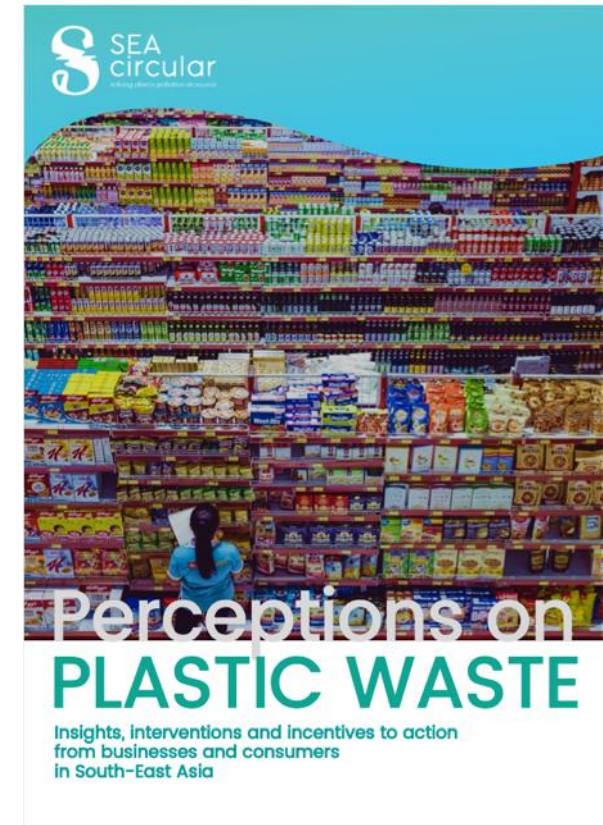
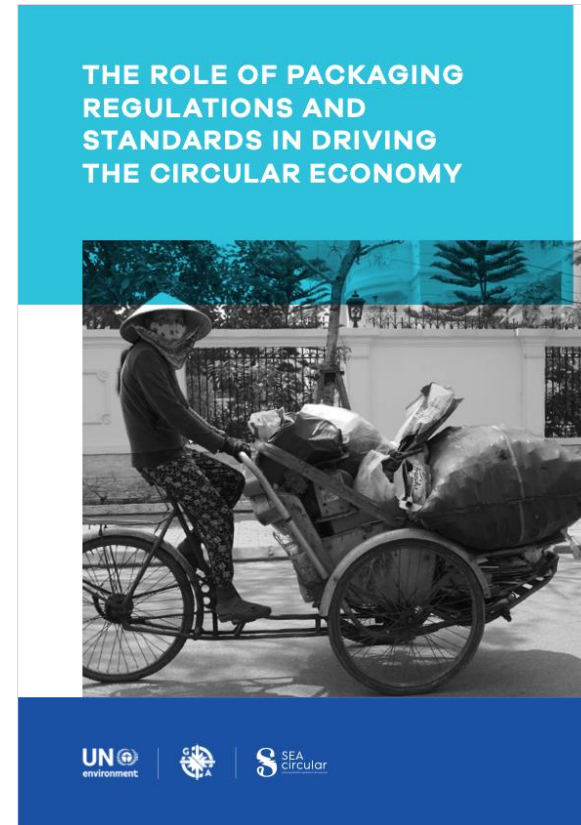
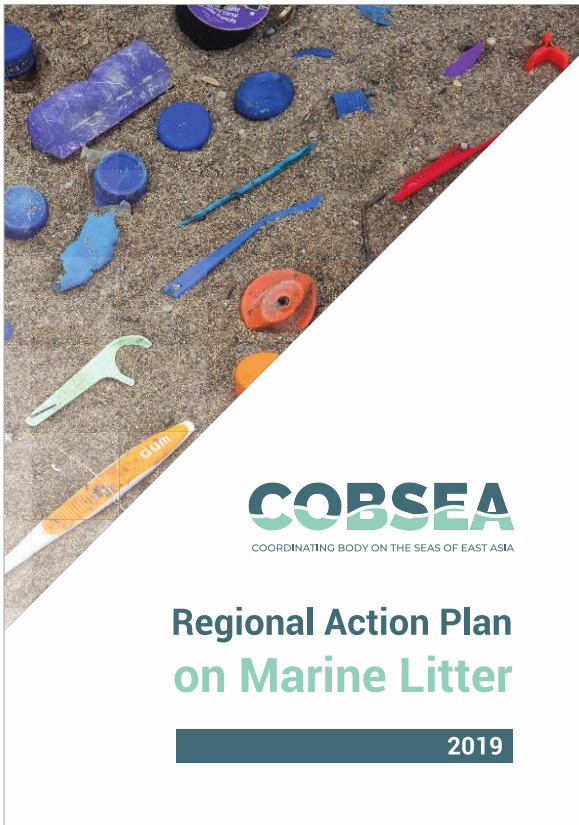
Capacity building; Awareness

Knowledge management

ASEAN Sectoral Working Groups

COBSEA Working Group on Marine Litter





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