Project Title: Just Transition **U**nlocked: **S**trengthening and **T**ransforming **(JUST)** policy frameworks to stop plastic pollution and marine litter through waste pickers' participation and locally-led leadership

What is JUST?

Local action → National policy → Regional learning → Global change

The goal of project JUST is to reduce plastic pollution and marine litter by promoting an inclusive and just transition for waste pickers - especially women - by strengthening national, regional, and global frameworks to embed their rights. By building an evidence base for inclusive finance and social protection mechanisms that can actualise waste picker rights, scalable 'fit for purpose' models to implement these approaches will be developed in partnership with waste picker organisations (WPOs). Drawing on the evidence base, and enabled by increased waste picker institutional capacity, policy recommendations for advancing waste picker rights will be developed. As a result, WPOs will be enabled to influence policy and decision-makers across all levels of governance in the public and private sector, collaborating with consortia members. At the regional level, the project will work to create an enabling environment for strengthening national frameworks and driving South-South cooperation. At the global level, consortia partners will jointly influence the global plastics treaty to embed waste picker rights. Concurrently, the consortia will also influence private sector actors to uphold waste picker rights through the Fair Circularity Initiative (FCI) at the national and global level. A Global Just Transition Platform (GJTP) for waste pickers inclusion in policy frameworks will also be established to align national and regional just transition strategies with global plastic governance processes.

Project target countries

KE **Kenya** GH **Ghana** ID **Indonesia**

Project partners

GRID-Arendal (LEAD) | Tearfund | WIEGO | International Alliance of Waste Pickers (IAWP)

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Theory of Change

