

# **PLASTIC ODYSSEY** EXPEDITION



### THE EXPEDITION AROUND THE WORLD TO FIGHT PLASTIC POLLUTION

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> A FLOATING LABORATORY INITIATING HUMAN-SCALE SOLUTIONS TO RECYCLE AND REDUCE PLASTIC WASTE

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# I. PLASTIC POLLUTION



### **I. PLASTIC POLLUTION** THE ILLUSION OF OCEAN CLEANUPS

#### **Plastic everywhere**

20 tons of plastic end up in the ocean cevery minute.<sup>(1)</sup> We swallow 5 grams per week.

#### Taking action at the source

90% of marine pollution originates from the coastal cities of 32 countries.<sup>(1)</sup>

#### Ocean cleanups are impossible

Once in nature, plastic waste fragments itself into **irretrievable** microparticles.<sup>(2)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> Plastic waste inputs from land into the ocean -Jenna Jambeck et al. Science 347, 768 (2015) (cf Annexe)

<sup>(2)</sup> A global inventory of small floating plastic debris - Erik van Sebille et al 2015 Environ. Res. Lett. 10 124006

#### RECYCLING

Recycling 1 waste product out of **2** in the 32 most polluted countries would allow us to avoid 45% of ocean pollution.(3)

<sup>(3)</sup> Plastic waste inputs from land into the ocean -Jenna Jambeck et al. Science 347, 768 (2015)

(4) Global mismanaged plastic waste generation -The Ocean Cleanup





### **I. PLASTIC POLLUTION** THE SOLUTIONS ARE ON LAND

#### REDUCE

**Reducing the production** of plastic waste to 1.7kg per day per person could allow us to avoid 26% of ocean pollution.



Ocean Detritus - Much of the world's mismanaged plastic waste ends up fouling global waters

Sources : Science; University of Georgia; University of California; Sea Education Asso

# II. PROJECT



### II. PROJECT VISION

### Small Scale, big impacts

Solutions designed on a **local scale** to have a **global impact**.

### Sharing knowledge

Broadcasting **innovations** in **opensource** to allow the most people to benefit.





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### **II. PROJECT** RECYCLING

#### From waste to resource

To give value to waste, Plastic Odyssey Expedition is working on three procedures:

SORTING A sorting sensor capable of analyzing plastic waste.

RECYCLING An extruder to transform

plastic into new objects.

RECOVERING

A pyrolysis system that creates fuel from nonrecyclable plastic waste.

#### Multi-product extruder<sup>(1)</sup>



<sup>(1)</sup> See the entirety of the technologies in the appendix

#### **Our solutions**

#### SOCIAL AND ACCESSIBLE

Creating solutions with local communities to meet their needs.

Simplify technologies to keep only the essentials and reduce costs.

#### **ECONOMICALLY VIABLE**

Developing recycling microfactories to fight against poverty while protecting the environment.



#### **RETHINKING USAGE**

Plastic is far from being indispensable for most packaging, and yet it makes up for 42% of plastic produced. Eco-designing products allows us to avoid the misuse of plastic.

61% of plastics found on beaches around the world are single-use







#### **ALTERNATIVE MATERIALS**

There are numerous organic materials that exist today which can be used to replace certain types of plastics, and yet, they are rarely utilized in industries.

### **II. PROJECT THE VESSEL**





### THE UNIQUE TOOL TO EXPERIMENT AND **PROMOTE SOLUTIONS IN THE FIELD**



# III. THE TEAM



### **III. THE TEAM**

**THE CREW** 













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#### SUPPORT COMMITTEE



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### **IV. THE STEPS OF THE PROJECT**

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### **IV. THE STEPS OF THE PROJECT ULYSSE: A SUCCESSFUL PROTOTYPE**

#### 2018 - The Successful Prototype of **Plastic Odyssey**

The construction of Ulysse, a prototype vessel that is solely fueled by plastic waste. The first step of an impactful worldwide adventure.



DEMONSTRATION



### PREPARATION



Construction



Inauguration by Brune Poirson



**Tour of France** 



#### **EXPEDITION**



#### **EXPANSION**



### **IV. THE STEPS OF THE PROJECT** TIMELINE

### PREPARATION

Construction of the onboarded workshop and the machines

Vessel Inauguration IUCN Marseille

Departure of the Expedition

Mediterranean

West Africa and Latin America

Pacific Asia

Publication of a recycling solutions catalog

Serial production and large scale distribution



#### AN EXPEDITION UNDER THE HIGH PATRONAGE OF



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**OFFICIALS** 





**TECHNICAL PARTNERS** 







MINISTÈRE DE LA TRANSITION ÉCOLOGIQUE ET SOLIDAIRE

SOCIALS

**ENOWE** BIODERMA





### **V. PARTNERS** MAIN PARTNER

## L'OCCITANE **EN PROVENCE**

L'OCCITANE EN PROVENCE was founded by Olivier Baussan in 1976. Since then, it has been creating beauty products made with essential oils and natural fragrances developed in accordance with the principles of phytotherapy and aromatherapy.

The L'OCCITANE research and innovation laboratories bring together tradition, nature and expertise to develop natural and effective cosmetic products.

The brand is presided over by Reinold Geiger and has a presence in 90 countries, with over 3,000 stores throughout the world.

#### Their motivation to support the Plastic Odyssey Expedition

"We are facing an environmental crisis, and companies need to do more than reduce their impact on the planet. They have a responsibility and a duty to find real, concrete solutions in order to generate value for our ecosystem. As the main sponsor of Plastic Odyssey, L'OCCITANE en Provence is supporting a project focused on transforming plastic waste into a resource and thus help to develop a new economy. We're proud to be the main partner, for a duration of five years, and to be part of this incredible human adventure for the good of mankind."





Adrien GEIGER Global Brand Director

### V. PARTNERS OFFICIAL PARTNERS



Crédit Agricole is the largest network of cooperative and mutual banks in the world.

# CLARINS

The Clarins Group has its own research and development laboratories and produces exclusively its care and perfumes in France.



With more than 3.8 million members, and 7.2 million\* managed insurance contracts, Matmut is an important actor in the French market for insurance.

#### **CRÉDIT AGRICOLE**

" Plastic Odyssey undertakes to use their local experience in a bid to provide solutions on a global scale. Much progress also remains to be made in the so-called developed world. Supporting this project is a way for Crédit Agricole to help raise awareness among the general public about the fight against the overconsumption of plastics, starting with its 141,000 employees, 30,000 administrators and 51 million customers."

#### CLARINS

" Eco-friendly design and creative delivery are linked: from choosing the active ingredients to packaging, Clarins favors the most environmentally friendly materials and manufacturing processes. By 2025, all new Clarins products on the market will have recyclable packaging or include at least 50% recycled materials."

Christian COURTIN-CLARINS

#### MATMUT

"The social, responsible, and citizen-oriented engagement of Matmut is a part of its DNA. The company has always been backed by a human and solidarity-based conception of insurance, socially responsible policies and initiatives to reduce its ecological footprint."

**Stéphanie BOUTIN** 

Deputy General Director of Matmut

### **VI. MEDIA CONTENTS**

WEB SERIES	5	
Subject	An expedition journal for a true immersion into the daily life of the crew	TV5MON
Broadcast	YouTube channel and Pure Player Web	
EVENTS		
Subject	Conferences and workshops	inter
Broadcast	Live social media coverage of powerful moments of the expedition	RTL
WRITTEN		
Subject	Articles with an academic purpose summarizing Plastic Odyssey's experiences and methodology Journal entries written by the founders about the adventure (partners exclusivity) A graphic novel about the challenges surrounding plastic	Le Parisie
Broadcast	Website, Medium, social media, print publications	Le Moni
DOCUMENT	TARY SERIES	VOIX DU NORD
Subject	Real time footage of Plastic Odyssey's destinations and actions on site	
Broadcast	Prime time national TV and international distribution	
Producers	Bonne Pioche - Emmanuel Priou	The Mainic

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### VII. MEDIA COVERAGE 2018-2019





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### **VIII. TESTIMONIALS**



#### **Brune POIRSON** Secretary of State to the Environment and Vice-President of the UN Environment Assembly



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Brune Poirson 🥝 @brunepoirson · 17 mai Let the second s Leur projet ? Une expédition à bord d'un navire laboratoire du #recyclage des déchets marins, de leur valorisation et de la réduction de la #pollutionplastique. Une équipe de pionniers ! 💭

Happy to find the members of Plastic Odyssey at VivaTech! Their project? An expedition aboard a laboratory vessel of recycling and recovery, and the reduction of plastic pollution. A team of pioneers!

Nicolas Gomart 🤣 @NicolasGomart · 15 mai Contribuer à lutter contre le #7eContinent grâce à une #innovation pragmatique et frugale. Une belle ambition que la @Matmut, partenaire de @PlasticOdyssey, soutient avec enthousiasme = #PollutionPlastique @VivaTech

Participate in the fight against the Great Pacific Garbage Patch / Plastic Pollution thanks to pragmatic and meticulous innovation. A beautiful goal which Matmut, partner to Plastic Odyssey, supports with enthusiasm. #plasticpollution #vivatech

Marie Le Roy @missmarieleroy · 15 mai Very inspiring project and partnership between @LOccitane\_FR and @PlasticOdyssey, a committed #startup fighting against plastic waste 👍 🚈 💪 @simn bernard #proudofmycompany



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### **X. APPENDICES TECHNOLOGIES** | Sorting

**CONCEPT** Near infrared spectroscopy plastic identification sensor to train operators better sort and help them limit manual errors. It makes it possible to identify the different families of polymers (PET, PE, PP, PVC, PS, etc.) to better sort them.



Spectroscopy



**CONCEPT** Extrusion is a shaping process widely used in the plastic recycling industry. An extruder heats and stirs the plastic, orming a viscous paste that will be shaped and cooled. This makes it possible to create universal and durable objects such as bricks, tiles, beams or plates.



Multi-product extruder



#### THE PROCESS

A source of light illuminates the plastic object to be identified. The plastic emits infrared waves invisible to the naked eye but detected by a sensor, a photodiode. It makes it possible to trace the characteristic spectrum of plastic which is then compared to a database thanks to an algorithm. The type of plastic is identified.



### **X. APPENDICES TECHNOLOGIES** | Recycling



#### **THE PROCESS**

The plastic material, previously reduced to flakes, is introduced into the extruder. Heating collars heat up the plastic which turns into a viscous paste in fusion. An endless screw allows the pressurization and transport of this paste to a profiled end piece placed at the outfeed. The molten plastic then enters into this end piece conferring the shape of the desired object, unchanged during cooling.

### X. APPENDICES TECHNOLOGIES | Pyrolysis



#### THE PROCESS

### 1 Input

The shredded plastic is inserted thanks to an endless screw.

### 2 Pyrolysis reactor

The melted plastic is heated at more than 400 °C in the absence of oxygen. This way plastic molecules are cracked to obtain hydrocarbon vapors.

### 3 Reflux

Only the most cracked molecules make it through, the larger ones remain in the reactor to be cracked again.

#### (4) Fractional condensation

The hydrocarbon vapors are cooled down and condensed at different temperatures in order to collect liquid hydrocarbons such as Diesel.

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#### Collection of the liquids

The liquid hydrocarbons are collected separately for different uses (motor, burners,...)

#### (6) Collection of syngas and use

Hydrocarbons that were not able to condense at room temperature are burned in order to heat the reactor.



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