

Plastic Odyssey to Combat Plastic Waste in BALI



Plastic Odyssey, a pioneering global initiative committed to combating plastic pollution worldwide, is launching its groundbreaking efforts in Bali to confront the pervasive issue of plastic waste in our landfills, rivers and oceans. Through innovative low-technologies and community empowerment initiatives, Plastic Odyssey aims to convert plastic waste into valuable resources, fostering sustainable solutions that empower local communities.

KEY NUMBERS

Building a global network of +100 entrepreneurs trained onboard, +30 recycling centers visited in more than 20 countries, +300 members of the global community, +10000 Young explorers educated about plastic pollution.

Bali, renowned for its vibrant culture and natural beauty, faces significant challenges posed by plastic pollution, which threatens its pristine beaches and diverse marine ecosystems. Acknowledging the critical need for immediate action, Plastic Odyssey is set to collaborate closely with local authorities, organizations, and residents to implement effective strategies that mitigate these major stakes.



COLLABORATIVE STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

Meetings with Bali's government officials, waste management experts, and environmental organizations will be pivotal in developing comprehensive strategies to combat plastic pollution. Plastic Odyssey seeks to forge partnerships that drive impactful policy changes and sustainable development in the region.

SUPPORT FOR LOCAL INITIATIVES

Plastic Odyssey is set to collaborate with initiatives like Sungai Watch, Trash Hero, Rebricks and more to strengthen Bali's waste management infrastructure. By supporting local projects and fostering knowledge exchange, Plastic Odyssey is pursuing the same goal of community resilience and environmental stewardship across the island.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND TRAINING SESSIONS

Plastic Odyssey will host workshops and key activities on board in partnership with local NGOs like Wedoo and Ecollabo8 to share knowledge on effective plastic waste management. These sessions aim to empower locals with practical skills, fostering sustainable practices, meanwhile learning from the existing solution across Bali.

INNOVATIVE RECYCLING INITIATIVES

Visitors can see examples and samples of recycled objects obtained through the use of low-tech machinery by Plastic Odyssey. These innovations will showcase how plastic waste can be transformed into valuable materials, promoting a circular economy model in Bali and beyond.

PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS

Through exhibition at Alliance Française and engagement with local schools, Plastic Odyssey will raise awareness about plastic alternatives and responsible consumption habits, based on insights gained during all project stopovers. These initiatives aim to inspire collective action towards a cleaner, healthier environment in Bali.

INVESTMENT IN LOCAL LAB FACTORY

A pivotal aspect of our Bali stopover, marking a significant milestone in the ecosystem's development. We are hoping to launch pilot projects here and seeking participation from investors, environmental organizations, local communities, and governmental bodies. Together, we aim to advance models of waste management that enhance both the local economy and environment.



*«Arriving in Bali marks a significant milestone for Plastic Odyssey as we continue our mission to combat plastic pollution. We are excited to engage with the community here, forging partnerships and empowering locals with practical solutions to build a cleaner, more sustainable environment,» shared **Alexandre Dechelotte**, founder of Plastic Odyssey. «Together, we believe in the power of innovation and collective action to drive meaningful change.»*



Our promising collaboration with ONE. BALI aims to achieve an effective and scalable solution for plastic pollution here in Bali.

Elle Watson, Founder of ONE. BALI

«ONE. BALI is a mission led organization, dedicated to solving plastic pollution in Bali. After developing ONE. CONGO, a project to clean one of the most polluted rivers in the world, The Great Congo River in the Democratic Republic Of Congo, I am honored to transfer knowledge from this project and key learnings on how to tackle waste management issues in developing countries. As Chairwoman of ONE. CONGO - I developed a model that could scale to other countries around the world facing similar issues to ensure the impact of this work could live on as a legacy and change more lives. ONE. BALI is the outcome and product of that work and I am excited to drive a cleaner future for the sacred land of Bali and its local peoples.»

THE STOPOVER PROGRAM

This stopover is organized around four main objectives:

- ≡ July 5, 2024 Opening ceremony at Benoa Port, Bali, anticipates over 80 attendees including local ministry representatives, national press, key investors, and members of the local community gathered around our expedition vessel.**

This event marks the commencement of our three-year global mission to combat plastic pollution, fostering synergies and innovative solutions for local communities. It aims to unite stakeholders from diverse backgrounds at the same table, driving collaborative action towards a sustainable future.

- ≡ A week of meeting and exchanging with local recycling entrepreneurs on board the vessel and visiting local facilities to develop sustainable solutions against plastic pollution.**

Exchange of information and knowledge with local initiatives in Bali like : Sungai watch ; Potato Head Family ; Bule Sampah ; Ecollabo8 ; Sealegacy ; Wastehub ; Wedoo

Feel free to join our thrilling community : <https://plasticodyssey.org/en/live/organize-meeting/>

- ≡ Exploring alternatives to build a plastic-free world and sharing them.**

The ship hosts the «Treasure Trunks» exhibition, featuring global solutions and objects to replace plastic. Currently at Alliance Française Bali, it evolves with new items at each stop, highlighting solutions discovered on the expedition. **Free and open to all, visit from July 8-12.**

- ≡ Meeting with committed investors to develop waste treatment micro-facilities in Bali through local project leaders already engaged in reducing plastic pollution.**



THE NEXT LEG OF THE EXPEDITION

After this stop in Bali, the Plastic Odyssey expedition team will head to Surabaya and Jakarta, our last stop in Indonesia, marking the culmination of nearly two months of mission in the country. The vessel will then continue to explore initiatives in East Asia, including Singapore, Vietnam, Hong Kong, and the Philippines over the next six months. Serving as an ambassador in the fight against plastic pollution, the ship will engage with stakeholders shaping today's and tomorrow's world. Our aim is to create a global network of solutions to combat plastic pollution. Join our adventure and follow and support our extensive journey through incredible Asia.



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