



RIVERS.GLOBAL

CLEANER RIVERS  
- CLEANER OCEANS

# WHO?

- Who are we?



Rivers.Global is a non-profit organization founded in 2018. 300 members as of February 2021. Org.no 921.112.696.

Our objective is to tackle marine plastic pollution.

We focus on clean-up activities on shore or near shore to intercept plastic waste BEFORE it reaches the ocean.



# WHERE?

## - Where do we work?

Rivers in South America, Africa and Asia are polluting the world's oceans with tonnes of plastics, every minute.

We focus on regions where plastic waste represents a major challenge.

We already have some experience from a project in Vietnam, and will start up our new project there.

Vietnam is the fourth-largest contributor to marine plastic pollution globally.





# WHY?

- Why are we doing it?

- We are approaching, and may have already passed, the ocean's limit on swallowing our waste. A warmer, more acidic, and biologically less productive ocean are signs of this.
- We need a new direction.
- Land-based efforts are more likely to be effective in the battle for a cleaner ocean. If you imagine a house flooding with tap-water, it is the taps that must first be closed!

# WHAT?

## - What are we doing?

We are developing a plastic collector with SINTEF Ocean called “The River Cleaner” in Spring 2021.

The River Cleaner uses a river’s natural current to guide plastic waste into a net.

When full, it is hoisted onto land, where the waste will be emptied and handled further.

The device operates 24/7.

Materials used in The River Cleaner can be found all over the world.



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# HOW?

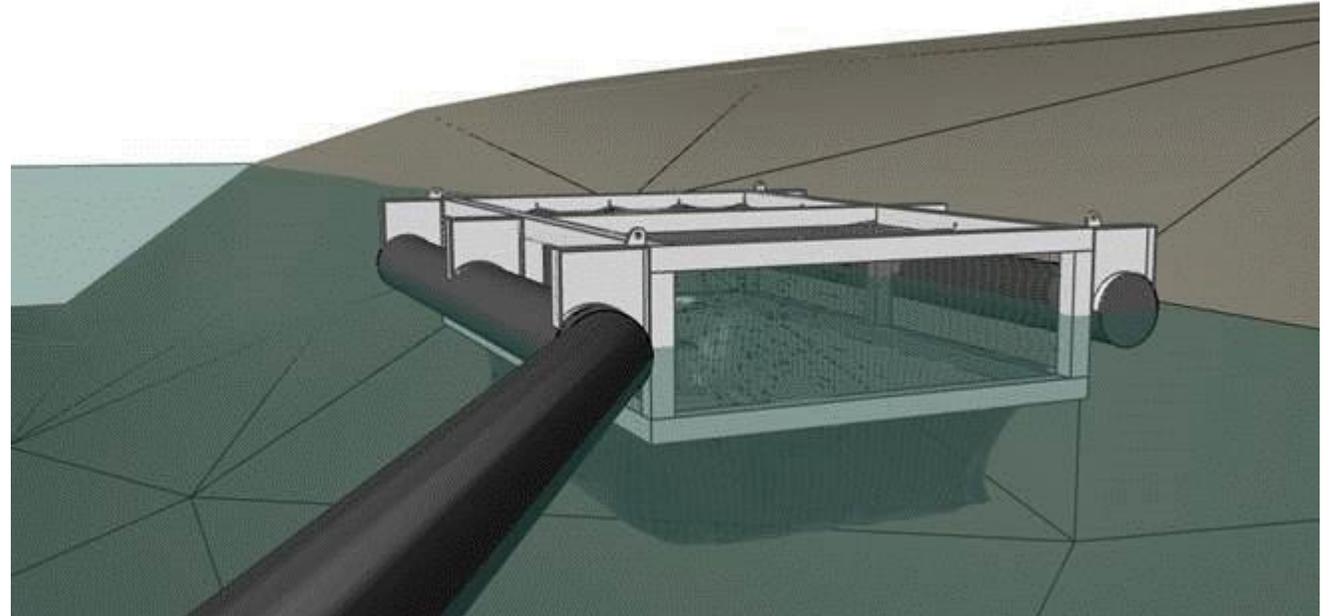
- Where do we go from here?

We plan to build a prototype near Hanoi, Vietnam, in 2021 / 2022.

Technical drawings and instructions how to build and install The River Cleaner will be made publicly available online. The device will be patent-free.

Organizations and government institutions will therefore be able to copy it free of charge and build their own River Cleaner, locally and sustainably.

This will enable rapid progress in the campaign for a cleaner ocean.



# THANK YOU

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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