

#### CHARTING AFRICA'S PATH TO CIRCULARITY



#### THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY OPPORTUNITIES FOR AFRICA

60%

reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030

17 SDG<sub>s</sub>

out of the 17 positively impacted

11 million

new jobs in Africa and additional opportunities for youth

Access to the

\$546 Billion

market-worth global circularity market

\$66

Billion

of GDP's increase in Africa

Opportunity to tap into the

\$21.7 Billion

worth Africa waste management market



## **Government-led coalition of African countries**

#### **MISSION**

To spur Africa's transformation to a circular economy that delivers economic growth, jobs and positive environmental outcomes



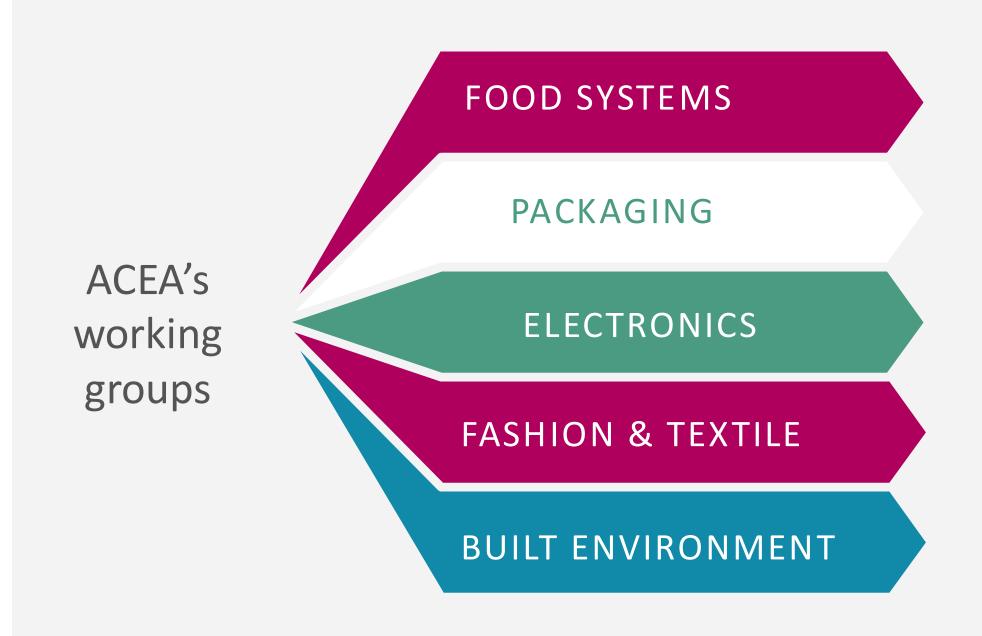
# The Alliance empowers its members to unlock circular economy opportunities through:

#### POLICY DEVELOPMENT



### THE 5 big bets

Thematic focus areas based on highly performing sectors



#### RATIONALE FOR THE 5 BIG BETS

#### **Criteria**

#### **Sub-criteria**



**Circularity** Potential (CP)

- Energy and resource intensity
- Waste and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



**Economic** significance

- Sector GDP and gross/total output
- Labor force size
- Export/import flows
- MSME involvement



**Transformative** impact potential

- Inclusion of marginalized communities
- Socio-economic outcomes
- Potential to drive industrialization



Momentum

- Sectoral commitments
- Regulatory/policy frameworks
- Disruptive potential
- COVID-19 resilience













**Food Systems** 



**Packaging** 



Fashion and Textiles



**Electronics** 





**Built Environment** 

#### FOCUS areas along the working groups

#### FOOD SYSTEMS

PACKAGING

**ELECTRONICS** 

FASHION & TEXTILE

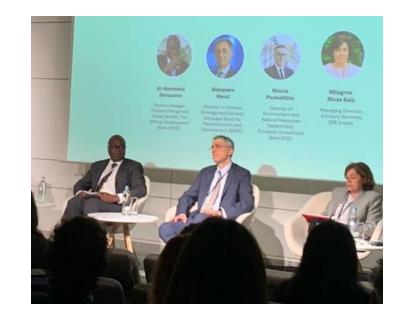
BUILT ENVIRONMENT

- Advocacy and knowledge sharing of best practices
- Co-host side events at the regional events
- Co-create knowledge pieces
- Support the harmonization of rPET standards
- Knowledge sharing sessions on best practices Global ERP efforts and plastic standards
- Technical support to countries for the creation of roadmaps for plastics
- Knowledge sharing sessions on best practices
- Support the harmonization of ERP systems in countries
- Workshops/sessions for policymakers and SMEs to co-create policy recommendations for a sustainable textile and fashion industry
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#### Other ACHIEVEMENTS SO FAR



New member countries and strategic partners



Raises Africa's circular economy profile in major international, continental and regional events (WCEF, UNEA6, etc.)

Generates and shares knowledge materials to inform Africa's CE transition



Supports 5 African countries to create national circular economy roadmaps



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Led discussions and work on policy harmonization among African countries

## Continental milestones &

# Technical support

## CONTINENTAL CIRCULAR ECONOMY ACTION PLAN OF

- Technical support to the African Union
   Commission for the launch of the Continental
   Circular Economy Action Plan
- ACEA as a platform for continental engagements for the implementation of the action plan

#### HARMONIZED RPET STANDARD IN AFRICA

- Collaboration with ARSO for the adoption of the continental/harmonized rPET standard
- Publication of the knowledge piece Reducing plastic pollution in Africa: The imperative of a continental rPET standard for food-contact applications

#### **ACEA STRATEGIC PARTNERS**







































## The Africa Circular Economy Facility (ACEF)





Capacity building & policy development



Governments & nonstate actors

The only Trust Fund dedicated to the mainstreaming of CE as an inclusive & Green growth strategy in Africa



Circular business development



Private Sector MSMEs (through business incubation/acceleration)



Advocacy & Knowledge sharing

The African Circular Economy Alliance (ACEA)

### ACEF, the mustard seed of circular transformation

€9 million

of current funding, of which ca. EUR 5 million currently uncommitted

3 African countries

Benefitted from the ACEF's
AfriCircular Innovators
Programme, with 30
MSMEs technically and
financially supported

3 donors

Government of Finland
Nordic Development Fund
The Coca Cola Foundation

18 African countries

empowered to unlock circular economy's opportunities through ACEA

€10<sub>million</sub>

Further expansion target by 2026

5 African countries

supported to develop their respective national circular economy roadmaps

### UPCOMING ACEF-FUNDED PROJECTS





NATIONAL CIRCULAR ECONOMY ROADMAP PROGRAMME

Support to the development or implementation of National Circular Economy Roadmaps

Request of expression of interest available on www.aceaafrica.org



PLASTICS AND

TIRES FOR SUSTAINABLE ROAD

MAINTENANCE IN AFRICA

RESILIENT
CIRCULAR
BUILDINGS:
TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE
PROGRAMME
FOR AFRICAN
GOVERNMENTS

AFRICIRCULAR PROGRAMME SCALEUP

Cohort 2 of the Innovators Programme and pilot round of the Growth Programme

## THANK YOU

