Roadmap-Plastic Bags

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Where are we now?

- Regulations on plastic ban and enforcement in place
- Research on Ecolabel framework & constraints
- Financial Scheme in place to assist SME, manufacturers and companies
- Initiative of private sector to *Rethink, Reduce and Reproduce* and introduction of biodegradable materials in the production chain
- Ongoing research on converting Waste into Resource in view of finding alternatives to plastics
Where do we want to go?

- Progressive introduction of voluntary reduction strategies: giving enough time for the population to begin changing consumption patterns and adapting to affordable and eco-friendly alternatives
  - Government to regulate
  - Businesses to innovate
  - Individuals to as
- Inculcating the Ecolabel concept at the conception of plastics alternatives products
- Stakeholders’ engagement (government, industry, retailers, population, waste management authority and tourism associations)
- Promotion of eco-friendly, affordable and fit for purpose alternatives by providing incentives to industry
- Promoting the share of knowledge & research findings through public awareness
How do we get there?

- Assess baseline conditions (current cause, extent, impacts)
- Regulatory, voluntary and economic evaluation
- Assess impacts of preferred options (social, environment and economic)
- Awareness raising and campaigns on the introduction of policies
- Incentivize the industry (tax rebate, keep certain ecofriendly materials tax-free)
- Ringfence revenues for investment in waste minimization, recycling industry
- Enforcement & policy revision
- Monitor & adjust policy though surveys. Audits and interviews.