

Principles adoption statement

[Organisation name] is committed to respecting the rights of workers in the informal waste sector. We support the <u>Fair Circularity Principles</u> which apply the responsibilities outlined in the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights to the informal waste sector.

In many countries, workers in the informal waste sector play a substantial and valuable role in the collection, sorting and recycling of packaging waste and other materials. At the same time they are vulnerable to a broad range of severe human rights impacts – meaning that even as recycling delivers positive environmental impacts, it requires heightened human rights due diligence from companies involved in plastics or recycling value chains. We recognize the need for more cohesive and collaborative approaches across the value chain to tackle these impacts effectively.

[Organisation name] is joining the Fair Circularity Initiative to demonstrate our commitment to this issue and to encourage wider uptake of the Fair Circularity Principles and urgent action on them.

We will:

- advance and adopt these guiding principles in our value chains, in collaboration with waste picker organizations
- report on our progress annually
- encourage others to join the Fair Circularity Initiative